IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

ASTRAZENECA AB, AKTIEBOLAGET HÄSSLE, KBI-E, INC., KBI INC., and ASTRAZENECA LP, Plaintiffs,	)	
v.	)	C.A. No. 06-358 (SLR)
DEXCEL LTD., DEXXON LTD., DEXCEL PHARMA TECHNOLOGIES LTD., and CIPLA, LTD., Defendants.	)	

DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO EXPEDITE BRIEFING ON DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO LIFT STAY

Defendants move the Court to shorten Plaintiffs' time to file a answering brief, representing to the Court as follows:

1. Defendants have today filed a Motion to Lift the Stay on FDA Approval of Dexcel Pharma Technologies Ltd.'S Omeprazole Delayed-Release Tablets (D.I. 115)(the "Motion").

2. Two of the patents-in-suit expire on April 20, 2007. If the stay is not lifted, Plaintiffs will receive an automatic six-month extension of their period of exclusivity.

3. The basis of the Motion is that Plaintiffs have failed in their obligation to cooperate reasonably in the expedition of this litigation. As set forth in the Motion, Plaintiffs' non-cooperation has been evident throughout the litigation but has become even more apparent in the recent month.

4. Plaintiffs should be required to respond promptly to the Motion while there is still time to afford Defendants relief.

5. Defendants request the Court to order Plaintiffs to serve and file their answering brief and supporting papers not later than five days from the date of the Court's order approving this motion.

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LOCAL RULE 7.1.1 CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.1, the undersigned states as follows:

(1) Defendants' Motion to Lift Stay is, in effect, a dispositive motion. Nonetheless, counsel for Defendants asked counsel for Plaintiffs if Plaintiffs would consent to the relief requested therein, and counsel for Plaintiffs have not responded in time for the timely filing of that motion.

(2) With respect to Defendants' Motion to Expedite Briefing, the essence of Defendants' Motion to Lift Stay, which is the subject of that motion to expedite, is that Plaintiffs have delayed the course of this litigation for their own economic benefit. Requesting Plaintiffs to shorten their own time to respond seemed to Defendants' counsel to be a futile gesture under the circumstances described in the Motion to Lift Stay.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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