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May 15, 2006

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 15, 2006.

Registration No. 333-49229

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT TO FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NOVARTIS VACCINES AND DIAGNOSTICS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

94-2754624
(I.R.S. Employer Identification
No.)

4560 Horton Street
Emeryville, CA 94608
(510) 655-8730
(Address, including zip code, and telephone
number, including area code, of
registrant's principal executive
offices)

CHIRON CORPORATION 1997 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN
(INCORPORATED INTO THE CHIRON CORPORATION 2004 STOCK COMPENSATION PLAN)
(Full Title of Plan)

Thomas Kendris, Esq.
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics, Inc.
4560 Horton Street
Emeryville, CA 94608
(510) 655-8730
(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number,
including area code, of agent for service)

TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 relates to the
Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-49229) filed on April 2, 1998,
as amended by Amendment No. 1 on August 9, 2004, pertaining to the Common Stock
of the Registrant, formerly known as Chiron Corporation, to be offered under the
Chiron Corporation 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which was incorporated
into the Chiron Corporation 2004 Stock Compensation Plan.

The undersigned Registrant hereby removes and withdraws from
registration all securities registered pursuant to this Registration Statement

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that remain unissued.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Emeryville, County of Alameda, State of California on May 15, 2006.

NOVARTIS VACCINES AND DIAGNOSTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas Kendris

Name: Thomas Kendris

Title: Vice President and Secretary

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment to the registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

By: /s/ Joerg Reinhardt

Name: Joerg Reinhardt

Title: Director, President and Chief
Executive Officer (Principal
Executive Officer)

Date: May 15, 2006

By: /s/ Reto Braendli

Name: Reto Braendli

Title: Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer (Principal
Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: May 15, 2006

By: /s/ Raymund Breu

Name: Raymund Breu

Title: Director

Date: May 15, 2006

By: /s/ Paulo Costa

Name: Paulo Costa

Title: Director

Date: May 15, 2006