

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
Form 8-K  
March 03, 2009

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**Current Report Pursuant  
to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): **February 26, 2009**

**Abbott Laboratories**

*(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)*

**Illinois**

*(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)*

**1-2189**

*(Commission File Number)*

**36-0698440**

*(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)*

**100 Abbott Park Road, Abbott Park, Illinois**  
*(Address of Principal Executive Offices)*

**60064-6400**  
*(Zip Code)*

**(847) 937-6100**

*(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)*

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Abbott Laboratories

March 3, 2009

By:

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman

Name: Thomas C. Freyman

Title: Executive Vice President, Finance and  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>
99.1	Underwriting Agreement
99.2	Pricing Agreement
99.3	Actions of the Authorized Officers (Exhibits A-1, A-2 and B to Exhibit 99.3 are filed as Exhibits 99.4, 99.5 and 99.2, respectively, to this Form 8-K)
99.4	Form of 2019 Note
99.5	Form of 2039 Note
99.6	Opinion of Mayer Brown LLP
99.7	Consent of Mayer Brown LLP (included in Exhibit 99.6 hereto)

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