

ABBOTT LABORATORIES
Form 8-K
December 23, 2014

UNITED STATES
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): **December 22, 2014**

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
(IRS Employer Identification
No.)

100 Abbott Park Road
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(224) 667-6100**

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: December 23, 2014

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

By:

*/s/ Thomas C. Freyman
Thomas C. Freyman
Executive Vice President, Finance and
Chief Financial Officer*