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| NATURE OF CONVEYANCE: | MERGER |
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| CONVEYING PARTY DATA | |
| Name | Execution Date |
| Coulter International Corp. | 10/28/2003 |
| RECEIVING PARTY DATA | |
| Name: | Beckman Coulter, Inc. |
| Street Address: | 4300 North Harbor Boulevard |
| Internal Address: | Mail Code A-42-C |
| City: | Fullerton |
| State/Country: | CALIFORNIA |
| Postal Code: | 92834 |
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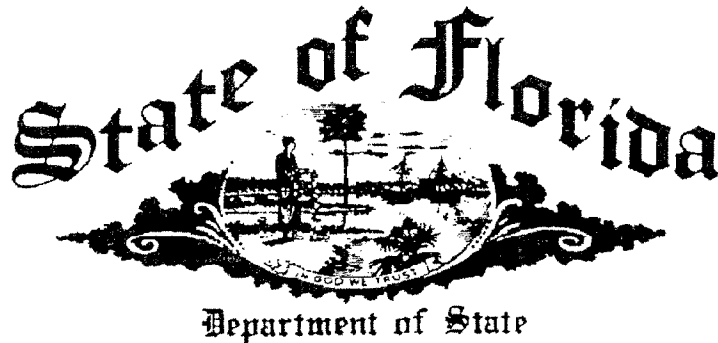
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I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the Articles of Merger, filed on October 31, 2003, effective December 31, 2003, for BECKMAN COULTER, INC., the surviving Delaware entity, as shown by the records of this office.

I further certify the document was electronically received under FAX audit number H03000308137 and this certificate issued in accordance with section 15.16, Florida Statutes, and authenticated by the code noted below.

The document number of this corporation is P20254.

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Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of Florida,
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the
Thirty-first day of October, 2003



Glenda E. Hood
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Secretary of State

ARTICLES OF MERGER
OF
COULTER INTERNATIONAL CORP.
AND
BECKMAN COULTER, INC.

To the Department of State
State of Florida

Pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, the domestic wholly-owned subsidiary business corporation and the foreign parent business corporation herein named do hereby adopt the following articles of merger.

FIRST: Annexed hereto and made a part hereof is the Plan of Merger for merging Coulter International Corp. with and into Beckman Coulter, Inc. as approved by the Board of Directors of Coulter International Corp. on the 3rd day of October, 2003 and adopted at a meeting by the Board of Directors of Beckman Coulter, Inc. on the 2nd day of October, 2003.

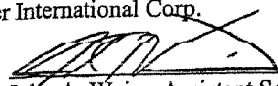
SECOND: The merger of Coulter International Corp. with and into Beckman Coulter, Inc. is permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and has been authorized in compliance with said laws. The date of adoption of the Plan of Merger by the Board of Directors of Beckman Coulter, Inc., was the 2nd day of October, 2003.

THIRD: Shareholder approval was not required for the merger.

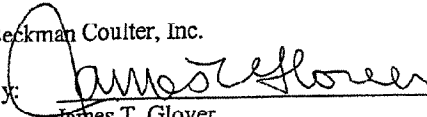
FOURTH: The effective date of the merger of Coulter International Corp. with and into Beckman Coulter, Inc. is December 31, 2003.

Executed on this 28th day of October, 2003.

Coulter International Corp.

By: 
John A. Weiss, Assistant Secretary

Beckman Coulter, Inc.

By: 
James T. Glover
Vice President and Controller

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PLAN OF MERGER
OF
COULTER INTERNATIONAL CORP.
AND
BECKMAN COULTER, INC.

1. Beckman Coulter, Inc., which is a business corporation of the State of Delaware and is the parent corporation and the owner of all of the outstanding shares of Coulter International Corp., which is a business corporation of the State of Florida and the subsidiary corporation, hereby merges Coulter International Corp. into Beckman Coulter, Inc., pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act and pursuant to the provisions the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.
2. The separate existence of Coulter International Corp. shall cease at the effective time and date of the merger pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law and the Florida Business Corporation Act; and Beckman Coulter, Inc. shall continue its existence as the surviving corporation pursuant to the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.
3. The issued shares of Coulter International Corp. shall not be converted in any manner, but each said share which is issued immediately prior to the effective time and date of the merger shall be surrendered and extinguished.
4. The Board of Directors of Coulter International Corp. and the proper officers of Beckman Coulter, Inc. are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to do any and all acts and things, and to make, execute, deliver, file, and/or record any and all instruments, papers, and documents which shall be or become necessary, proper or convenient to carry out or put into effect any of any of the provisions of this Plan of Merger or of the merger herein provided for.

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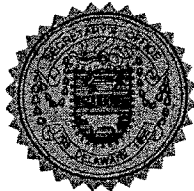
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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP, WHICH MERGES:

"COULTER INTERNATIONAL CORP.", A FLORIDA CORPORATION,
WITH AND INTO "BECKMAN COULTER, INC." UNDER THE NAME OF
"BECKMAN COULTER, INC.", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING
UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED
IN THIS OFFICE THE THIRTIETH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 2003, AT 6:38
O'CLOCK P.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP IS THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY
OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2003.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE
KENT COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.



Harriet Smith Windsor
Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

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AUTHENTICATION: 2722212

DATE: 10-31-03

State of Delaware
Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP MERGING
Coulter International Corp.
Into
Beckman Coulter, Inc.

(Pursuant to Section 253 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware)

Beckman Coulter, Inc., a corporation incorporated on the 11th day of July, 1988, pursuant to the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware; **DOES HEREBY CERTIFY** that this corporation owns 100% of the capital stock of Coulter International Corp., a corporation incorporated on the 10th day of April, 1995, pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act, and that this corporation, by a resolution of its Board of Directors duly adopted at a meeting held on the 2nd day of October, 2003, determined to and did merge into itself said Coulter International Corp., which resolution is in the following words to wit:

WHEREAS this corporation lawfully owns all of the outstanding stock of Coulter International Corp., a corporation organized under the laws of Florida, and

WHEREAS this corporation desires to merge into itself the said Coulter International Corp., and to be possessed of all the estate, property, rights, privileges and franchises of said corporation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this corporation, Beckman Coulter, Inc., a Delaware corporation, merge into itself Coulter International Corp., a Florida corporation, (the "Merging Entity") and assume all of the liabilities and obligations of Merging Entity; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that James T. Glover, in his capacity as Vice President and Controller of Beckman Coulter, Inc., William H. May, in his capacity as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Beckman Coulter, Inc., or any other elected officer of Beckman Coulter, Inc., (the "Authorized Officers") is hereby directed to make and execute a certificate of ownership setting forth a copy of the resolution to merge Merging Entity and assume its liabilities and obligations, and the date of adoption thereof, and to file the same in the office of the Secretary of State of Delaware, and as necessary to file a certified copy thereof in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of any appropriate County; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that each Authorized Officer be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to do all acts and things whatsoever, whether within or without the State of Delaware, which may be in any way necessary or proper to effect said merger.

The effective date of the merger of Coulter International Corp. with and into Beckman Coulter, Inc. shall be December 31, 2003.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Beckman Coulter, Inc. has caused its corporate seal to be affixed and this certificate to be signed by James T. Glover, an authorized officer this 28th day of October, 2003.

By: James T. Glover
James T. Glover, Vice President and
Controller

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