

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 21)\*

Abbott Laboratories

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock without par value

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(Title of Class of Securities)

002824 10 0

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(CUSIP Number)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust  
I.R.S. Identification No. 36-6047554

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) / /

(b) /X/

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Illinois

NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
0

SHARES 6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 102,256,673

EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING PERSON 0

WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
102,256,673

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

102,256,673

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

6.6%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Gary P. Coughlan  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) / /  
(b) /X/

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 230,620 shares - (Does not include shares held in  
direct the Abbott Laboratories Stock  
Retirement Trust for the benefit  
of the reporting person.)

6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 105,321,505 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH REPORTING PERSON 230,620 shares (see note in 5 above)  
direct

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH 105,321,505 - as Co-Trustee, Abbott  
Laboratories Stock Retirement  
Trust.

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
105,977,734 - (Total of 5 + 6 + 425,609 shares - right to acquire  
by exercise of stock options.)

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9  
6.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Greg W. Linder  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) / /  
(b) /X/

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 14,272 shares - (Does not include shares held in  
direct the Abbott Laboratories Stock  
Retirement Trust for the benefit  
of the reporting person.)

6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 105,321,505 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH REPORTING PERSON direct 14,272 shares (see note in 5 above)

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH 105,321,505 - as Co-Trustee, Abbott Laboratories  
Stock Retirement Trust.

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
105,397,147 - (Total of 5 + 6 + 61,370 shares - right to acquire by  
exercise of stock options.)

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9  
6.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Thomas M. Wascoe  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) / /

(b) /X/

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 20,000 shares - (Does not include shares held in  
direct the Abbot Laboratories Stock  
Retirement Trust for the benefit  
of the reporting person.)

6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 105,321,505 - See Attached Exhibit 1

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH REPORTING PERSON 20,000 shares (see note in 5 above)  
direct

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH 105,321,505 - as Co-Trustee, Abbott Laboratories  
Stock Retirement Trust.

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
105,392,239 - (Total of 5 + 6 + 50,734 shares - right to acquire by  
exercise of stock options.)

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9  
6.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS

Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:  
Abbott Laboratories

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:  
100 Abbott Park Road  
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400

Item 2(a) Name of Persons Filing:  
Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust  
Gary P. Coughlan  
Greg W. Linder  
Thomas M. Wascoe

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:  
100 Abbott Park Road  
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400

Item 2(c) Citizenship:  
Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust - Illinois.  
Gary P. Coughlan, Greg W. Linder, and  
Thomas M. Wascoe - United States

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:  
Common shares without par value

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:  
002824 10 0

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Section 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is an:  
 An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1 (b)(1)(ii)(F).

Item 4. Ownership

- (a) (See cover pages 2, 3,
- (b) 4 and 5, Items 5 through
- (c) 9 and 11.)

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

The shares owned by the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust and the dividends thereon are held for the benefit of participants of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Plan pursuant to terms of that Plan and the Trust. The Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Plan is a qualified profit sharing plan. As of December 31, 1999, there were 36,577 participants with share balances in the Plan.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

Not applicable.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct. This statement is filed on behalf of each individual listed below pursuant to their agreement.

Date: February 9, 2000

ABBOTT LABORATORIES STOCK  
RETIREMENT TRUST

/s/ Gary P. Coughlan

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Gary P. Coughlan, Co-Trustee

/s/ Greg W. Linder

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Greg W. Linder, Co-Trustee

/s/ Thomas M. Wascoe

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Thomas M. Wascoe, Co-Trustee

EXHIBIT 1

Schedule 13G  
Amendment No. 21  
Abbott Laboratories  
Common shares without par value  
CUSIP Number 002824 10 0

Messrs. Coughlan, Linder, and Wascoe are Co-trustees of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust, committee members of a committee established under the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust (Puerto Rico), Trustees of the Abbott Laboratories Employee Benefit Trust, and members of the Abbott Stock Committee for the Abbott Laboratories Ashland Union 401(k) Trust. As such, each of them has shared voting power over the 105,321,505 shares held by those trusts. This total is comprised of the following components:

Number of Shares -----	Name of Trust -----
102,256,673	Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust
2,978,507	Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust (Puerto Rico)
52,000	Abbott Laboratories Employee Benefit Trust
34,325	Abbott Laboratories Ashland Union 401(k) Trust



Disclaimer of Beneficial Ownership  
under Rule 13d-4

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The filing of Schedule 13G Amendment 21 on behalf of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust does not constitute an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the beneficial owner of any securities covered by the Schedule. Pursuant to Rule 13d-4 of the Act, the undersigned disclaims such ownership with respect to any shares listed therein of which he would not otherwise be deemed to be beneficial owner.

/s/ Gary P. Coughlan

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Gary P. Coughlan

Date: February 9, 2000

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under Rule 13d-4

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/s/ Greg W. Linder

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Greg W. Linder

Date: February 9, 2000

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under Rule 13d-4

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/s/ Thomas M. Wascoe

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Thomas M. Wascoe

Date: February 9, 2000

EXHIBIT 2

AGREEMENT  
ABBOTT LABORATORIES STOCK RETIREMENT TRUST  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SCHEDULE 13G FILINGS

The undersigned, being co-trustees of the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust (the "Trust"), hereby agree that one Securities and Exchange Commission Schedule 13G (and any required amendment(s) thereto) be filed on their behalf with respect to the Trust's beneficial ownership interest in shares of common stock of Abbott Laboratories. This Agreement may be revoked in writing by any one of the undersigned.

Date: February 9, 2000

/s/ Gary P. Coughlan

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Gary P. Coughlan

/s/ Greg W. Linder

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Greg W. Linder

/s/ Thomas M. Wascoe

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Thomas M. Wascoe