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Alison Taunton-Rigby, Ph.D., O.B.E., has been a senior executive in the biotechnology industry for over 25 years. She is Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of RiboNovix, Inc., an early stage biotechnology company developing novel anti-infectives that are less susceptible to drug resistance. RiboNovix has laboratories in Natick, Massachusetts.

Dr. Taunton-Rigby was President and Chief Executive Officer of Aquila Biopharmaceuticals, Inc., a public life sciences company that was merged in late 2000 with Antigenics Inc. She was also President and Chief Executive Officer of Cambridge Biotech Corporation, where she led the turn-around, restructuring and emergence from bankruptcy. In addition, she has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Mitotix Inc., now merged with GPC Biotech. Previous to this position, she was Senior Vice President, Biotherapeutics, at Genzyme Corporation, where she had overall responsibility for Genzyme's biotherapeutics division. Dr. Taunton-Rigby has also served in senior management positions at Vivotech Inc., Biogen, Inc. and Collaborative Research, Inc.

Dr. Taunton-Rigby received her doctorate from the University of Bristol in England, and is a graduate of the Advanced Management Program of the Harvard Business School. She is a Director of RiverSource Funds, Healthways, Inc., Abt Associates, Inc., Idera Pharmaceuticals, Inc., the Children's Hospital Boston, the National Association of Corporate Directors NE, and the Massachusetts Women's Forum. She is also a Trustee of Bentley College Center for Business Ethics, a member of the Business Advisory Council, Simmons College, School of Management, an Advisor to Arboretum Ventures LLC, and to Civic Capital LLC, and a former director of the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council (MBC), and of the Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO). In 2005 she was appointed to the Massachusetts Biomedical Research Advisory Committee (stem cell research) and in 2008 to the Scientific Advisory Board, Massachusetts Life Science Center. In 2002 Dr. Taunton-Rigby was awarded the OBE (Officer of the Order of the British Empire) by Queen Elizabeth II for her work as a leader in the research, development and promotion of biotechnology. In 2009 she was awarded an honorary D.Sc. from the University of Bristol.

Dr. Taunton-Rigby has been a Director on corporate boards for about 25 years. She has been a member of Compensation, Audit, Nominating and Governance, and Strategic Planning committees. She currently sits on two audit committees (chair of one), two compensation committees, one Nominating and Governance committee, and one Strategic Planning

committee. At The Children's Hospital Boston, she Chairs the Patient Safety and Quality Committee.