

PRESS RELEASE

**TAL-effector nuclease:
The USPTO issues a fourth patent licensed to Collectis**

New Brighton, May 19, 2014 – Collectis (NYSE PA: ALCLS), the global genome engineering specialist, announces the issuance by the USPTO of a 4th US patent (US 8,697,853) directed to TAL-effector nucleases.

On April 15, 2014, the USPTO issued a fourth patent to the University of Minnesota and the Iowa State University for the TALEN™ technology developed by Collectis.

This patent US 8,697,853 is more particularly drawn to the genomic sequences encoding TAL-effector nucleases. These proteins developed jointly by researchers at the University of Minnesota and Iowa State University can “read” DNA and make pinpoint cuts in targeted genes.

This fourth issued patent, like the previous ones, is part of a patent portfolio owned by the Regents of the University of Minnesota and Iowa State University Research Foundation and licensed exclusively to Collectis as per a license agreement of January 2011.

The inventors of these patents are Pr. Daniel Voytas, from the University of Minnesota who is also acting as Chief Scientific Officer of Collectis Plant Sciences in New Brighton (MN), Pr. Adam Bogdanove formerly of Iowa State University and currently of Cornell University, and Dr. Feng Zhang, who is now Chief Operating Officer of Collectis Plant Sciences.

About Collectis

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