10x Genomics Invalidates RainDance Technologies Patent

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office finds U.S. Patent No. 8,658,430 invalid in inter partes review

PLEASANTON, Calif., January 20, 2017 – 10x Genomics, Inc. today announced that the company has prevailed in an inter partes review proceeding before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to invalidate U.S. Patent No. 8,658,430 owned by RainDance Technologies, Inc. 10x initiated the proceeding after RainDance asserted this patent against the company in a lawsuit filed in the District of Delaware in 2015.

The '430 patent relates to "methods and systems for manipulating droplet size." In its January 18, 2017 decision, the Patent Office found all of the claims of this patent to be invalid in light of the prior art. Invalid patents cannot be asserted in patent infringement litigation in district court.

About 10x Genomics

10x Genomics is changing the definition of sequencing by providing an innovative genomics platform that dramatically upgrades the capabilities of existing sequencing technologies. This is achieved through a combination of new microfluidic science, chemistry and bioinformatics. By implementing GemCode Technology within the Chromium System, researchers can now, for the first time, find new structural variants, haplotypes and other valuable genomic information with comprehensive workflows for Single Cell, Genome, Exome and *de novo* Assembly applications that incorporate their pre-existing sequencing technologies.

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