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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

Amendment No. 4

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

GENOPTIX, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

GO MERGER SUB, INC.

(Offeror)

A Direct Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of

NOVARTIS FINANCE CORPORATION

(Offeror)

An Indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of

NOVARTIS AG

(Offeror)

(Names of Filing Persons (identifying status as offeror, issuer or other person))

COMMON STOCK, \$0.001 PAR VALUE

(Title of Class of Securities)

37243V100

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation(1) \$469,943,500 Amount of Filing Fee(2) \$54,560.44

- (1) Estimated for purposes of calculating the filing fee only. This amount is determined by multiplying 18,797,740 shares of Genoptix, Inc. common stock (representing the shares of common stock outstanding, in the-money options and shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units, in each case as of January 24, 2011) by \$25.00 per share, which is the offer price.
- (2) The filing fee was calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Fee Rate Advisory #5 for fiscal year 2011, issued December 22, 2010, by multiplying the transaction value by 0.0001161.

x Check the box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the form or schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: \$54,560.44 Form of Registration No.: Schedule TO Filing Party: Novartis AG, Novartis Finance Corporation and GO Merger Sub, Inc. Date Filed: January 28, 2011

o Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

- x Third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- o Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.
- o Going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- o Amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer. x

This Amendment No. 4 to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO (this Amendment) is filed by (i) GO Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Purchaser) and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis Finance Corporation, a New York corporation (Parent) and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis AG, a stock corporation organized under the laws of Switzerland, (ii) Parent and (iii) Novartis AG. This Amendment amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 28, 2011, (together with any amendments and supplements thereto, the Schedule TO), and relates to the offer (the Offer) by Purchaser to purchase all of the outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the Shares), of Genoptix, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), at a purchase price of \$25.00 per Share in cash, without interest and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase dated January 28, 2011 (together with any amendments thereto, the Offer to Purchase), and in the related Letter of Transmittal.

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Offer to Purchase.

Items 1 through 9 and 11.

Items 1 through 9 and 11 of the Schedule TO are hereby amended and supplemented to include the following:

At 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on March 4, 2011 (which was the end of day on March 4, 2011), the subsequent offering period of the Offer expired as scheduled. The Depositary has advised Parent that, as of the expiration of the subsequent offering period of the Offer, a total of 17,048,545 Shares were validly tendered during the initial offering period and the subsequent offering period of the Offer taken together, representing approximately 93.24% of the Shares outstanding. Purchaser has accepted for payment all Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn during the initial offering period of the Offer and all Shares validly tendered during the subsequent offering period of the Offer.

Parent intends to consummate the Merger pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement. The Merger Agreement provides, among other things, that, subject to certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into the Company with the Company continuing as the surviving corporation, wholly-owned by Parent. Each of the remaining Shares will be converted into the right to receive \$25.00 in cash, without interest and less any required withholding taxes, which is the same amount per Share that was paid in the Offer, except for (i) Shares owned by the Company or any of its wholly-owned subsidiaries (or held in the Company s treasury) or owned by Parent, Purchaser or any wholly-owned subsidiary of Novartis AG, which will be cancelled and will cease to exist and (ii) Shares owned by the Company s stockholders who perfect their appraisal rights under the DGCL. Following the Merger, the Shares will no longer be listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

SIGNATURE

After due 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.

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Ву	/s/ Thomas Werlen
Name:	Thomas Werlen
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NOVARTIS FINANCE CORPORATION

By Name: Title: /s/ Wayne Merkelson Wayne Merkelson Vice President and General Counsel

GO MERGER SUB, INC.

By Name: Title: /s/ Wayne Merkelson Wayne Merkelson Vice President and Secretary

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