

# HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS ADVISES ABCAM ON ACQUISITION OF EXPEDEON'S PROTEOMICS AND IMMUNOLOGY BUSINESS

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Leading global law firm Herbert Smith Freehills is advising Abcam on its acquisition of Expedeon AG's proteomics and immunology business. The transaction values the business to be acquired at €120 million, is subject to approval by Expedeon AG's shareholders and is expected to close in early 2020. The acquisition includes leading protein conjugation technologies and brands including Lightning-Link® and CaptSure™, and will provide Abcam's existing business with access to the complementary antibody conjugation and labelling market.

[Alan Montgomery](#), M&A Partner in London and co-Head of the firm's global Pharmaceuticals practice commented:

"We're delighted to be advising on our first mandate for Abcam. As a global leader in the supply of research tools, Abcam is a real success story in the UK life sciences eco-system, and we're proud to be working with their team on this strategic transaction. The transaction is another demonstration of our ability to offer a unique combination of premium M&A capability, global platform and life sciences sector expertise to help further our clients' strategic goals. "

Alan led the team advising Abcam, assisted by senior associate [Lerryn Martin](#) and associate [Stuairt Tosh](#). German law input was provided by [Nico Abel](#) (partner) and [Julius Brandt](#) (senior associate) in HSF's Frankfurt office, whilst specialist support was provided by [Joel Smith](#) (partner), [Andrew Wells](#) (senior associate), [Peter Dalton](#) (senior associate) and [Monika Klajn](#) (associate) in HSF's intellectual property team and [Isaac Zailer](#) (partner) and [David Alexander](#) (associate) in HSF's tax team.

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