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This issuer free writing prospectus relates only to the securities described below and should be read together with the prospectus filed on May 20, 2009 (the **Prospectus**") related to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-159103) (the "**Registration Statement**"), as well as any prospectus supplement Vical Incorporated provides in connection with this offering. The Prospectus can be accessed through the following link: http://idea.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/819050/000119312509115848/d424b3.htm.

Vical has filed the Prospectus and the Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Before you invest, you should read the Prospectus and the Registration Statement and other documents Vical has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Vical and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, Vical will arrange to send you the Prospectus if you request it by contacting Vical at (858) 646-1100.

VICAL INCORPORATED COMMON STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS COMMON STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made as of the 27th day of July, 2009, by and among Vical Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and the investors set forth on the signature pages hereto (the 'Investors').

THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Purchase and Sale of Stock.

1.1 Sale and Issuance of Common Stock.

- (a) On or prior to the Closing (as defined below), the Company shall have authorized the sale and issuance to the Investors of an aggregate of 2,754,821 shares of the Company's common stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock") at a purchase price of \$3.63 per share (the "Per Share Purchase Price").
- (b) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Investor, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase at the Closing and the Company agrees to sell and issue to such Investor at the Closing the number of shares of the Company's Common Stock set forth on such Investor's signature page hereof at the Per Share Purchase Price (the "Stock").
- 1.2 Closing. The purchase and sale of the Stock shall take place at the offices of Cooley Godward Kronish LLP located at 4401 Eastgate Mall, San Diego, California at 10:00 A.M., on July 30, 2009, or at such other time and place as the Company and the Investors may

mutually agree upon orally or in writing (which time and place are designated as the 'Closing'). At the Closing, the Company shall cause (a) its transfer agent to deliver to each Investor, via electronic book-entry, the Stock that such Investor is purchasing against payment of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account specified by the Company in writing to the Investors and (b) its outside legal counsel, Cooley Godward Kronish LLP, to deliver to each Investor a legal opinion in a form to be agreed to between the Company and the Investors.

2. Representations and Warranties of the Company. The Company hereby represents and warrants to each Investor that:

- (a) The Company is an entity duly incorporated or otherwise organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, with the requisite power and authority to own and use its properties and assets and to carry on its business as currently conducted. The Company is not in violation or default of any of the provisions of its certificate or articles of incorporation, bylaws or other organizational or charter documents. The Company is duly qualified to conduct business and is in good standing as a foreign corporation or other entity in each jurisdiction in which the nature of the business conducted or property owned by it makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing, as the case may be, would reasonably be expected to result in: (i) a material adverse effect on the legality, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, (ii) a material adverse effect on the results of operations, assets, business, prospects or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company, taken as a whole, or (iii) a material adverse effect on the Company's ability to perform in any material respect on a timely basis its obligations under this Agreement (any of (i), (ii) or (iii), a "Material Adverse Effect") and no legal proceeding has been instituted in any such jurisdiction revoking, limiting or curtailing or seeking to revoke, limit or curtail such power and authority or qualification.
- (b) The Company has the requisite corporate power and authority to enter into and to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and otherwise to carry out its obligations hereunder. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company and the consummation by it of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of the Company and no further action is required by the Company, the Board of Directors or the Company's stockholders in connection therewith other than in connection with the Required Approvals (as defined below). This Agreement has been (or upon delivery will have been) duly executed by the Company and, when delivered in accordance with the terms hereof, will constitute the valid and binding obligation of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except (i) as limited by general equitable principles and applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application affecting enforcement of creditors' rights generally, (ii) as limited by laws relating to the availability of specific performance, injunctive relief or other equitable remedies and (iii) insofar as indemnification and contribution provisions may be limited by applicable law.
- (c) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement, the issuance and sale of the Stock and the consummation by it of the transactions contemplated hereby do not and will not (i) conflict with or violate any provision of the

Company's certificate or articles of incorporation, bylaws or other organizational or charter documents, or (ii) conflict with, or constitute a default (or an event that with notice or lapse of time or both would become a default) under, result in the creation of any lien upon any of the properties or assets of the Company, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment, acceleration or cancellation (with or without notice, lapse of time or both) of, any agreement, credit facility, debt or other instrument (evidencing a Company debt or otherwise) or other understanding to which the Company is a party or by which any property or asset of the Company is bound or affected, or (iii) subject to the Required Approvals, conflict with or result in a violation of any law, rule, regulation, order, judgment, injunction, decree or other restriction of any court or governmental authority to which the Company is subject (including federal and state securities laws and regulations), or by which any property or asset of the Company is bound or affected; except in the case of each of clauses (ii) and (iii), such as would not have or reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) The Company is not required to obtain any consent, waiver, authorization or order of, give any notice to, or make any filing or registration with, any court or other federal, state, local or other governmental authority or other person in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement, other than: (i) the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") of the Prospectus Supplement (as defined below), (ii) application(s) to each applicable trading market for the listing of the Stock for trading thereon in the time and manner required thereby and (iii) such filings as are required to be made under applicable state securities laws (collectively, the "Required Approvals").

(e) The Stock is duly authorized and, when issued and paid for in accordance with this Agreement will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable, free and clear of all liens imposed by the Company. The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and has filed with the Commission a registration statement on such Form (Registration File No. 333-159103), which became effective as of May 20, 2009, for the registration under the Securities Act of the Stock. Such registration statement meets the requirements set forth in Rule 415(a)(1)(x) under the Securities Act and complies with said Rule. The Company will file with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act, and the rules and regulations (the "Rules and Regulations") of the Commission promulgated thereunder, a supplement to the form of prospectus filed with the Commission on May 20, 2009 and related to such registration statement, relating to the offer to sell and proposed sale of the Stock and the plan of distribution thereof. Such registration statement, including the exhibits thereto, as amended at the date of this Agreement, is hereinafter called the "Registration Statement"; such prospectus in the form filed with the Commission on May 20, 2009, is hereinafter called the "Base Prospectus"; and the supplemented form of prospectus, in the form in which it will be filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) (including the Base Prospectus as so supplemented) is hereinafter called the "Prospectus Supplement." Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement ball be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein (the "Incorporated Documents") pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 which were filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), on or before the date of this Agreement, or the issue date of the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Suppl

the Prospectus Supplement shall be deemed to refer to and include the filing of any document under the Exchange Act after the date of this Agreement, or the issue date of the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement, as the case may be, deemed to be incorporated therein by reference. All references in this Agreement to financial statements and schedules and other information which is "contained," "included," "described," "set forth" or "stated" in the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement (and all other references of like import) shall be deemed to mean and include all such financial statements and schedules and other information which is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement, as the case may be. No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or the use of the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement has been issued, and no proceeding for any such purpose is pending or has been initiated or, to the Company's knowledge, is threatened by the Commission.

(f) The Company has complied in all material respects with requirements to file all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents required to be filed by the Company under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, including pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) thereof, for the two years preceding the date hereof (or such shorter period as the Company was required by law or regulation to file such material) (the foregoing materials, including the exhibits thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein, together with the Base Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement, being collectively referred to herein as the "SEC Reports") on a timely basis or has received a valid extension of such time of filing and has filed any such SEC Reports prior to the expiration of any such extension. As of their respective dates, the SEC Reports complied in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of the SEC Reports, when filed, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Company has never been an issuer subject to Rule 144(i) under the Securities Act. The financial statements of the Company included in the SEC Reports comply in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the rules and regulations of the Commission with respect thereto as in effect at the time of filing. Such financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved ("GAAP"), except as may be otherwise specified in such financial statements or the notes thereto and except that unaudited financial statements may not contain all footnotes required by GAAP, and fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Company and its

(g) The Common Stock is registered pursuant to Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Exchange Act, and the Company has taken no action designed to, or which to its knowledge is likely to have the effect of, terminating the registration of the Common Stock under the Exchange Act nor has the Company received any notification that the Commission is contemplating terminating such registration. The Company has not, in the 12 months preceding the date hereof, received notice from any trading market on which the Common Stock is or has been listed or quoted to the effect that the Company is not in compliance with the material listing

or maintenance requirements of such trading market. The Company is, and has no reason to currently believe that it will not in the foreseeable future continue to be, in compliance with all such listing and maintenance requirements. The Company hereby agrees to use best efforts to maintain the listing or quotation of the Common Stock on the trading market on which it is currently listed.

- (h) There is no action, suit, inquiry, notice of violation, proceeding or investigation pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company or its properties before or by any court, arbitrator, governmental or administrative agency or regulatory authority (federal, state, county, local or foreign) (collectively, an "Action") which (i) adversely affects or challenges the legality, validity or enforceability of this Agreement or (ii) could, if there were an unfavorable decision, have or reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company, nor, to the Company's knowledge, any director or officer thereof, is or has been the subject of any Action involving a claim of violation of or liability under federal or state securities laws or a claim of breach of fiduciary duty. There has not been, and to the knowledge of the Company, there is not pending or contemplated, any investigation by the Commission involving the Company or, to the Company's knowledge, any current or former director or officer of the Company. The Commission has not issued any stop order or other order suspending the effectiveness of any registration statement filed by the Company under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act.
- (i) The Registration Statement (and any further documents to be filed with the Commission) contains all exhibits and schedules as required by the Securities Act. Each of the Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, at the time it became effective, complied in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the applicable Rules and Regulations and did not and, as amended or supplemented, if applicable, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading. The Base Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement, each as of its respective date, comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the applicable Rules and Regulations. Each of the Base Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement, as amended or supplemented, did not and will not contain as of the date thereof any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Incorporated Documents, when they were filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the applicable Rules and Regulations and none of such Incorporated Documents, when they were filed with the Commission, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus or Prospectus Supplement, when such documents are filed with the Commission, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the applicable Rules and Regulations, as applicable and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary

conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by or on behalf of any Investor specifically for use in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus Supplement. No post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement reflecting any facts or events arising after the date thereof which represent, individually or in the aggregate, a fundamental change in the information set forth therein is required to be filed with the Commission. There are no documents required to be filed with the Commission in connection with the transaction contemplated hereby that have not been filed as required pursuant to the Securities Act or will not be filed within the requisite time period. There are no contracts or other documents required to be described in the Base Prospectus or Prospectus Supplement, or to be filed as exhibits or schedules to the Registration Statement, which have not been described or filed as required.

(j) The Company has delivered, or will as promptly as practicable deliver, to the Investor complete conformed copies of the Registration Statement and of each consent and certificate of experts filed as a part thereof, and conformed copies of the Registration Statement (without exhibits) and the Base Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement, as amended or supplemented, in such quantities and at such places as the Investor reasonably requests. Neither the Company nor any of its directors and officers has distributed and none of them will distribute, prior to the Closing, any offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Stock other than the Base Prospectus, the Prospectus Supplement, the Registration Statement, copies of the documents incorporated by reference therein and any other materials permitted by the Securities Act.

3. Representations and Warranties of the Investor. Each Investor hereby represents and warrants to the Company that:

- (a) (i) The Investor has full right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and has taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and (ii) this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Investor enforceable against the Investor in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' and contracting parties' rights generally and except as enforceability may be subject to general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).
- (b) (i) The Investor has answered all questions on the signature page for use in preparation of the Prospectus Supplement and the answers thereto are true and correct as of the date hereof and will be true and correct as of the Closing, and (ii) the Investor, in connection with its decision to purchase the Stock, relied only upon the Base Prospectus, the Prospectus Supplement, the Incorporated Documents, and any representations and warranties of the Company contained herein.
- (c) The Investor acknowledges, represents and agrees that no action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction outside the United States by the Company that would permit an offering of the Stock, or possession or distribution of offering materials in connection with the issue of the Stock in any jurisdiction outside the United States where action for that purpose is required.

(d) The Investor understands that nothing in this Agreement or any other materials presented to the Investor in connection with the purchase and sale of the Stock constitutes legal, tax or investment advice. The Investor has consulted such legal, tax and investment advisors as it, in its sole discretion, has deemed necessary or appropriate in connection with its purchase of the Stock.

4. Miscellaneous.

- 4.1 Successors and Assigns. Except as otherwise provided herein, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of the parties. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any party other than the parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided in this Agreement. The Company may not assign this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Investor (other than by merger).
- 4.2 Governing Law. All questions concerning the construction, validity, enforcement and interpretation of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of New York, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law thereof. Each party agrees that all legal proceedings concerning the interpretations, enforcement and defense of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (whether brought against a party hereto or its respective affiliates, directors, officers, shareholders, employees or agents) shall be commenced exclusively in the state and federal courts sitting in the City of New York. Each party hereby irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state and federal courts sitting in the City of New York, borough of Manhattan for the adjudication of any dispute hereunder or in connection herewith or with any transaction contemplated hereby or discussed herein, and hereby irrevocably waives, and agrees not to assert in any suit, action or proceeding, any claim that it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of any such court, that such suit, action or proceeding is improper or is an inconvenient venue for such proceeding.
- **4.3 Counterparts; Facsimile.** This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Facsimile signatures shall be as effective as original signatures.
- 4.4 Titles and Subtitles. The titles and subtitles used in this Agreement are used for convenience only and are not to be considered in construing or interpreting this Agreement.
- **4.5 Notices.** Unless otherwise provided, any notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be given in writing and shall be deemed effectively given upon personal delivery to the party to be notified or upon deposit with the United States Post Office, by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid and addressed to the party to be notified at the address indicated for such party on the signature page hereof, or at such other address as such party may designate by ten (10) days' advance written notice to the other parties.

- 4.6 Finder's Fee. Each party represents that it neither is nor will be obligated for any finders' fee or commission in connection with this transaction. Each Investor agrees to indemnify and to hold harmless the Company from any liability for any commission or compensation in the nature of a finders' fee (and the costs and expenses of defending against such liability or asserted liability) for which such Investor or any of its officers, partners, employees, or representatives is responsible. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Investor from any liability for any commission or compensation in the nature of a finders' fee (and the costs and expenses of defending against such liability) for which the Company or any of its officers, employees or representatives is responsible.
- **4.7 Amendments and Waivers.** Any term of this Agreement may be amended and the observance of any term of this Agreement may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), only with the written consent of the Company and each Investor.
- **4.8** Severability. If one or more provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable under applicable law, such provision shall be excluded from this Agreement and the balance of the Agreement shall be interpreted as if such provision were so excluded and shall be enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- **4.9 Entire Agreement.** This Agreement and the other documents referred to herein constitute the entire agreement among the parties and no party shall be liable or bound to any other party in any manner by any warranties, representations, or covenants except as specifically set forth herein or therein.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Common Stock Purchase Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

VICAL INCORPORATED

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	10390 Pacific Center Court San Diego, California 92121

[Investor Signature Pages Follow]

[INVESTOR SIGNATURE PAGES TO COMMON STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Common Stock Purchase Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Name of Investor:	
Signature of Authorized Signatory of Investor:	
Name of Authorized Signatory:	
Title of Authorized Signatory:	
Email Address of Authorized Signatory:	
Facsimile Number of Authorized Signatory:	
Address for Notice of Investor:	
Address for Delivery of Stock for Investor (if not same as address for notice):	
NUMBER OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK TO BE PURCHASED:	
Total Purchase Price: \$	