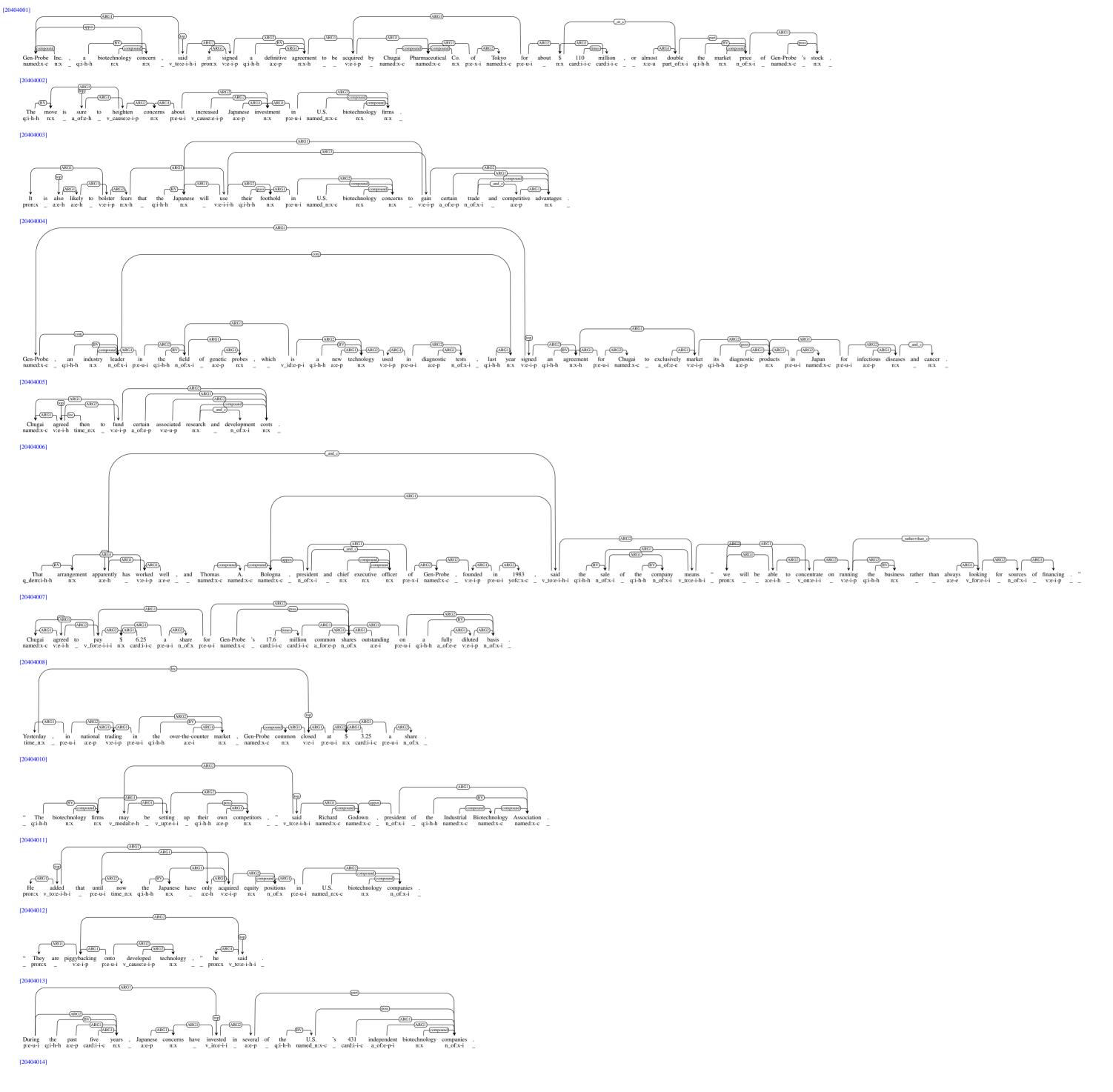
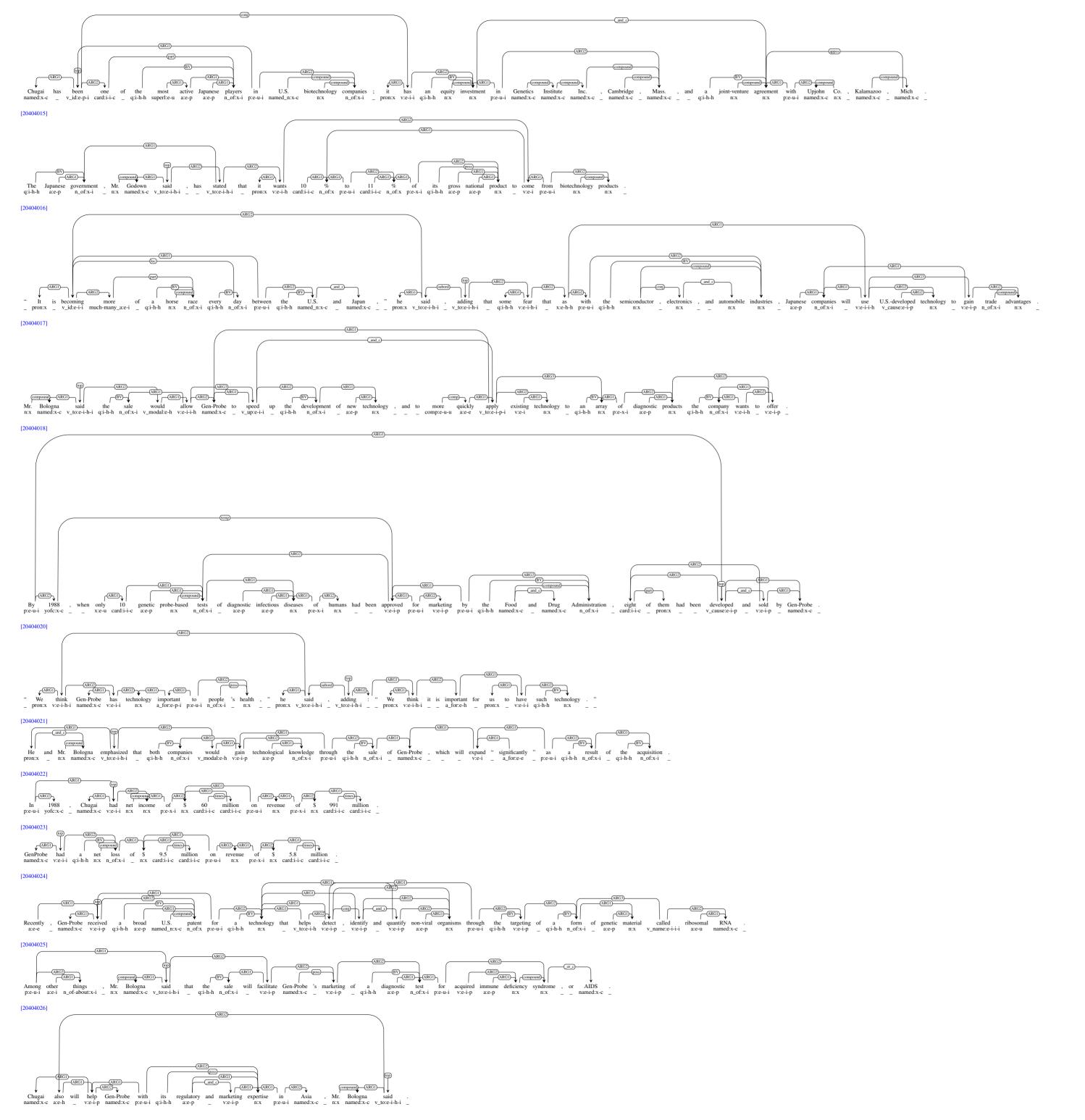
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The tender offer for Gen-Probe 's shares is expected to begin next Monday , the company said . q:i-h-h n:x n:x p:e-u-i named:x-c \_ n\_of:x \_ v:e-i-h \_ v:e-i-p q:i-h-h dofw:x-c \_ q:i-h-h n\_of:x-i v\_to:e-i-h-i \_ .

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