# **Q3-2019 Laboratory Services Update**



#### **Market Update**

Acquisitions continue to be the primary source for growth in the laboratory services sector. Despite risks to future spend, stakeholders are seeking opportunities to increase horizontal scale, develop new competencies in niche specialties, and integrate complementary service lines.

Additionally, the entrance of CROs such as Charles River into the transaction market has the potential to boost competition and valuations for companies seeking strategic partnerships.

### **Laboratory Services Public Trading Multiples**

| Company              | Ticker | EV       | Revenue | EBITDA  | EV/REV | EV/EBITDA |
|----------------------|--------|----------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|
| LabCorp              | LH     | \$24B    | \$11.3B | \$2B    | 2.12x  | 11.87x    |
| Quest<br>Diagnostics | DGX    | \$18.55B | \$7.57B | \$1.41B | 2.45x  | 13.16x    |
| Eurofins             | ERFSF  | \$11.55B | \$4.3B  | \$743M  | 2.68x  | 15.54x    |
| Publicly Traded Avg. |        | \$18B    | \$7.72B | \$1.4B  | 2.42x  | 13.52x    |

#### **Notable Transactions:**

| Month     | Acquirer                 | Target                                 | Deal Description   |
|-----------|--------------------------|--|--|
| September | PathGroup                | Southern Pathology<br>Associates       | PathGroup, one of the largest private providers of pathology, clinical and molecular laboratory services in the United States, acquired Southeastern Pathology Associates. This acquisition expands PathGroup's pathology department by 35%. This acquisition brings PathGroup's team to more than 2,000 employees with more than 175 pathologists.                        |
| August    | Salveo Diagnostics       | ImmunArray                             | Salveo Diagnostics, a laboratory services firm that aims at reversing the epidemic of chronic diseases, has acquired ImmunArray. ImmunArray is a molecular diagnostic company that has developed blood based tests using their technology. This acquisition expands Salveo Diagnostics' testing capabilities and provides new methods for diagnosing diseases.             |
| July      | Interpace<br>Diagnostics | Cancer Genetics'<br>Biopharma Services | Interpace Diagnostics has acquired the Biopharma Service Business of Cancer Genetics. Interpace Diagnostics provides molecular diagnostic tests, bioinformatics, and pathology services for evaluating risk of cancer. The acquisition is expected to result in the creation of an oncology testing and service company in the clinical diagnostics and Biopharma markets. |
| July      | Versiti                  | Cenetron Central<br>Laboratories       | Versiti, one of the nation's leaders in blood health innovation has acquired Cenetron Central Laboratories and its subsidiary Salus IRB. Cenetron Central Laboratories is a provider of molecular and general laboratory services, and will provide Versiti with a range of clinical trial solutions for Versiti's diagnostic laboratories.                                |

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