

2009 Stockholders Meeting

May 6, 2009





Forward Looking Statement

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Actual results could differ materially from those suggested by these forward-looking statements. Further information on potential factors that could affect the Company's financial results is included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, and subsequent SEC filings.







Our Business

- Fastest growing national lab
- \$52 Billion market
- Clinical, Anatomic and Genomic Testing
- Serving clients in all 50 states and Canada
- Leading clinical trials testing business





2009 First Quarter Results

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Revenue	\$ 1,103	.2 \$	1,155.7	4.8%
Operating Income	\$ 241	.1 \$	240.4	-0.3%
Operating Income Margin	21.9	%	20.8%	(110) bp
Diluted EPS	\$ 1.1	4 \$	1.22	7.0%
Operating Cash Flow	\$ 176	.5 \$	208.9	18.4%
Less: Capital Expenditures	\$ 37	<u>.9</u> \$	30.7	-19.0%
Free Cash Flow	\$ 138	.6 \$	178.2	28.6%



2009 Priorities

Priorities

- Gain new customers
- Maintain price
- Control costs
- Implement automation
- Advance leadership in personalized medicine

Financial Guidance:	2009 ⁽¹⁾	
Revenue Growth	2-4%	
Diluted Earnings per share	\$4.75-\$4.95	
Operating cash flow of approximately	\$800 million	
Capital Expenditure of approximately	\$130 million	

(1) Excluding the impact of restructuring and other special charges and share repurchase activity after December 31, 2008. Operating cash flow guidance excludes any transition payments to UnitedHealthcare and includes a \$58 million reduction due to required contributions to the Company's defined benefit retirement plan



Automation and Efficiency

Key Initiatives

- Improved patient intake
- Automation of pre-analytics
- Capacity rationalization
- Logistics optimization





Personalized Medicine

Our Leadership Position

- Clinical interactions
 - Patients (millions)
 - Physicians (tens of thousands)
 - Hospitals (thousands)
- National infrastructure
- Uniform lab data
- History of scientific innovation
- Scientific partnerships
- Strong Balance Sheet \$220M of Cash, Net Debt to EBITDA of 1.3x



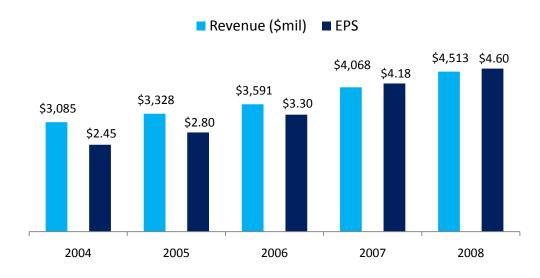


Personalized Medicine

Growth Strategy

- · Increase esoteric testing
- Expand outcome improvement programs
- Develop and commercialize companion diagnostics

Revenue and EPS Growth: 2004-2008 (1)



(1) Excluding a \$7.5 million special charge in 2008



Esoteric Testing

Growth Strategy

- Introduction of new tests
- Acquisitions and licensing
- Collaborations with academic institutions

New Tests Include:
Roche COBAS® TaqMan® HBV Test
Whole Genome Sampling Analysis (genetic analysis for developmental delays)
ColoSURE (colon cancer)
GST-PiGene Methylation (prostate cancer)
HCV
MCMT gang mathylation (bysin sanger)
MGMT gene methylation (brain cancer)
Collaborations Include:
Duke University
Yale University
National Jewish Health



Outcome Improvement

Growth Initiatives

- · Litholink kidney stone
- CKD
- Continual development of valuable programs

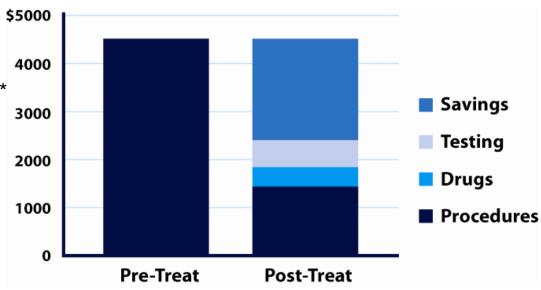




Outcome Improvement

Litholink®Kidney Stone Program

- Improved patient outcomes (80% reduction in recurrence)*
- Lower costs (\$2,000+ reduction in expense per patient per year)*
- Double digit revenue growth



^{*} Parks JH, Coe FL, Kidney International, vol. 50 (1996), pp. 1706-1712.

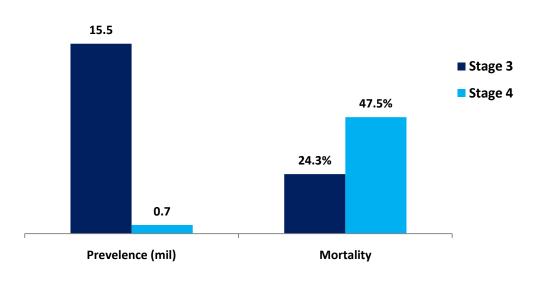


Outcome Improvement

Litholink CKD Program

- In collaboration with National Kidney Foundation
- Introduced in select markets
- Enthusiastic reception to date

CKD Prevalence and Mortality in US



Source: Coresh et al., JAMA. 2007;298(17)2038-2047



Companion Diagnostics

Growth Strategy

- Invest in clinical trials
- Relationships with biotech and pharma companies
- Promote key tests (e.g., K-RAS, HLA-B* 5701, CYP 450)

"K-RAS testing should be routinely conducted in all colorectal cancer patients immediately after diagnosis to ensure the best treatment strategies for the individual Patient"

 Dr. Eric Van Cutsem, presenter at the June 2008 American Society of Clinical Oncology meeting

FDA recommends genetic screening prior to treatment with Abacavir

ROCKVILLE, Md -- July 24, 2008 -- The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued an alert regarding serious, and sometimes fatal, hypersensitivity reactions (HSRs) caused by abacavir (Ziagen) therapy in patients with a particular human leukocyte antigen (HLA) allele, HLA-B* 5701.

Genetic tests for HLA-B*5701 are already available, and all patients should be screened for the HLA-B*5701 allele before starting or restarting treatment with abacavir or abacavir-containing medications.



Companion Diagnostics

Relationships

- Clinical trials
- Biomarker discovery
- Test development
- Commercialization

Partner	Clinical Area	
ARCA biopharma	Companion Diagnostics (CVD) (exclusive)	
Celera Diagnostics	Breast Cancer	
Duke University	Lung Cancer (exclusive)	
Exact Sciences	Colon Cancer	
Intema Ltd.	Prenatal Testing	
lpsogen	Molecular Diagnostics	
Medco Health Solutions	Companion Diagnostics (Research)	
OncoMethylome Sciences	Companion Diagnostics (Oncology) (exclusive)	
Siemens Health Solutions	Companion Diagnostics (Oncology and CVD)	
SmartGene	Bioinformatics Tools	
Third Wave Technologies	Companion Diagnostics (CVD)	
Vanda Pharmaceuticals	Companion Diagnostics (Oncology) (exclusive)	
Veridex	Prostate Cancer	
Yale University	Ovarian Cancer (exclusive)	





Key Points

- Critical position in health care delivery system
- Leadership in personalized medicine
- Stable pricing
- Well positioned to gain share
- Continued cost control
- Excellent cash flow
- Strong balance sheet





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