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The Leading, Early-Stage Contract Research Organization

CRL Worked on **85%** of FDAapproved drugs in 2018

Doubled

revenue and non-GAAP EPS since 2014 (2014-2019E)

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Market position in RMS, Safety Assessment & Microbial Solutions

>\$15B

Outsourced addressable market

High-Single-Digit

CRL organic revenue growth (2-Yr. Target & 2019 Outlook) 81 Novel

molecules originated for clients since 1999

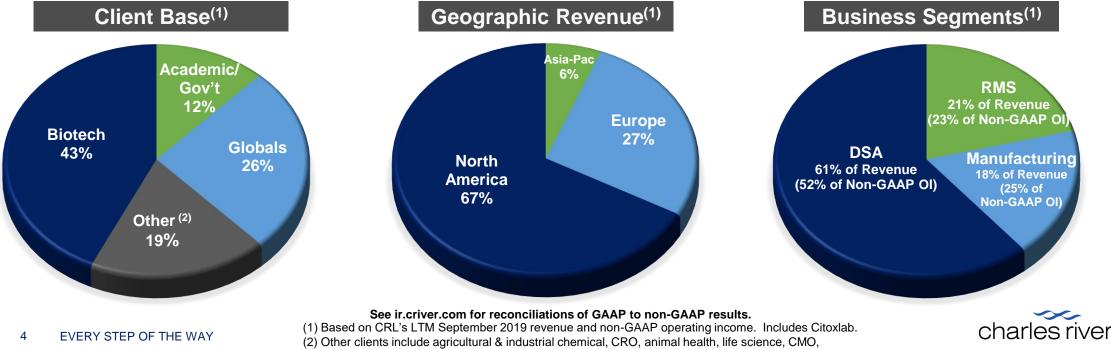


Invested in M&A with ~10% ROIC on M&A since 2015



Charles River Overview

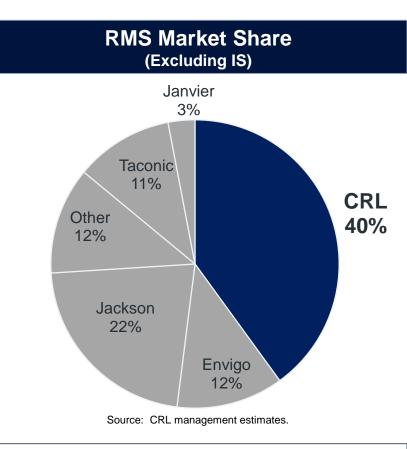
- > A leading, full-service drug discovery and early-stage development company
 - Revenue of \$2.53B (LTM Sept. 2019)
- Only CRO with an integrated portfolio that spans the drug research process from target discovery through preclinical development
- No single commercial client accounts for >2.5% of total revenue
- ➤ A multinational company with ~16,500 employees worldwide
- Facilities strategically located in >20 countries, near our major client base



consumer product, and medical device companies.

Research Models & Services (RMS)

- Global leader in breeding and distribution of research models
 - Largest selection of the most widely used strains in the world
 - ~1 of every 2 small models sold in Western markets comes from Charles River
 - Expertise in **biosecurity** ensures animals are free of known contaminants, reducing risk to critical research
- Global footprint with facilities strategically located in close proximity to clients
- > Increasing presence in high-growth **China** market
- Premier provider of services which support the use of research models in discovery/development of new molecules
 - Genetically Engineered Models and Services (GEMS)
 - Research Animal Diagnostic Services (RADS)
 - Insourcing Solutions (IS)
 - IS awarded five-year, \$95.7M contract by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) in September 2018



RMS Market Opportunity: ~\$1.5B (Including IS)





RMS Business Drivers

Research Models and Services (RMS): 21% of Revenue ⁽¹⁾ 23% of Non-GAAP Operating Income ⁽¹⁾

- Increased demand in China for models and services
 - RMS China slightly less than 10% of RMS revenue
- Demand for RM Services to support use of models in research
- > **DSA** segment is **RMS's largest client** by a wide margin
 - ~5% of global RM unit volume
- Price and mix offsetting lower demand for research models in mature markets outside of China
- Use of technology to drive efficiency

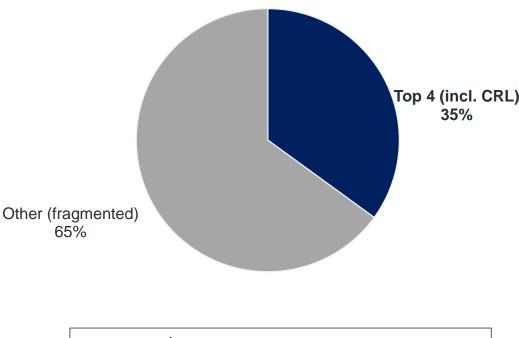
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Discovery Services

- A unique CRO, offering clients a single source for services across the discovery spectrum
 - Engages with clients earlier in the discovery process
- > Integrates chemistry, *in vitro, and in vivo* capabilities
 - Extensive medicinal chemistry and structural biology expertise
 - Comprehensive tumor and HTS (high-throughput screening) libraries
 - Pharmacology models for all disease areas
 - Expertise centered around all major therapeutic areas, including oncology and CNS
- Early Discovery has discovered 81 novel molecules for clients since its founding in 1999
- Continuing to expand discovery capabilities through M&A, partnerships, and internal investment
 - Exclusive partnership with **Distributed Bio** to enhance large molecule discovery capabilities
 - Expanded services at our South San Francisco biohub site to better support West Coast clients

Outsourced Global Discovery Services Market



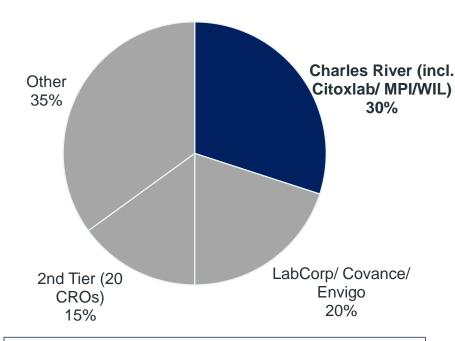
~\$5B Outsourced Market Low-Double-Digit Growth ~25% Outsourcing Penetration



Safety Assessment Services

- Global leader in both non-regulated (non-GLP) and regulated (GLP) safety assessment services
- Providing clients with expertise for integrated drug development
 - Non-GLP efficacy studies
 - Safety Assessment (SA)
 - General toxicology
 - o Specialty toxicology
 - Inhalation, infusion, developmental and reproductive, juvenile/ neonatal, ocular, bone, immunotoxicology, and phototoxicology
 - Comprehensive suite of bioanalytical services
 - Expert pathology services
- Citoxlab acquisition further enhanced CRL's leading market position

Outsourced Safety Assessment Market



~\$4.5B Outsourced Market Mid- to High-Single-Digit Growth 55%+ Outsourcing Penetration



DSA Business Drivers

Discovery and Safety Assessment (DSA): 61% of Revenue ⁽¹⁾ 52% of Non-GAAP Operating Income ⁽¹⁾

- Robust demand as biopharma clients augment discovery and safety assessment capabilities
 - Biotech leveraging CRO expertise to drive innovation, instead of building in-house capabilities
 - Large biopharma utilizing CROs like CRL, in place of maintaining internal resources
- CRL expanding therapeutic area focus around significant areas of research investment
- Importance of global network for clients working in multiple regions
- ~20% of DSA clients utilize both Discovery & SA capabilities with significant opportunity to increase client overlap

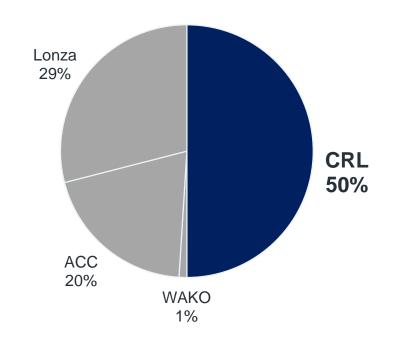
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Microbial Solutions

- Premier global provider of quality control (QC) testing products and services for sterile and non-sterile applications
 - FDA-mandated lot release testing for sterile biopharmaceutical products
 - Product release testing required by the FDA and other regulatory agencies for non-sterile products
- Product/Service lines:
 - Endosafe[®] endotoxin detection products and services
 - Conventional or rapid (PTS[™] platform)
 - Celsis[®] rapid microbial detection
 - Accugenix[®] microbial identification products and services
- Addressable market estimated at nearly \$3B
 - Microbial Solutions focuses on higher-value testing markets
 - No competitors have a similar comprehensive rapid testing portfolio

Endotoxin Testing Market by Test Volume (~80M tests)



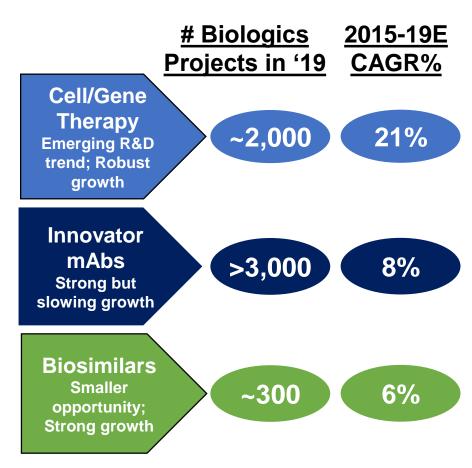


Biologics Testing Solutions

- Premier global CRO providing services that support the manufacture of **biologics and biosimilars**, including process development and quality control
- Supports developers and manufacturers with their testing, characterization, and cell bank manufacturing needs
 - Providing testing and assay development throughout drug development, clinical and commercial manufacturing, and for final commercial drug product release
- Leveraging our scientific expertise, regulatory compliance, and extensive portfolio to provide fast, reliable results
- Outsourced addressable market estimated at \$1.4-\$1.7B
 - Biologics market is growing in the low-double digits

Biologics Market Opportunity

(# Biologics Pipeline Projects, Preclinical-Phase III)







Manufacturing Support Business Drivers

Manufacturing Support: 18% of Revenue ⁽¹⁾ 25% of Non-GAAP Operating Income ⁽¹⁾

Microbial Solutions

- Increased demand for rapid testing for both microbial detection and identification
- Continuing to drive growth in both sterile biopharma market and non-sterile markets

Biologics

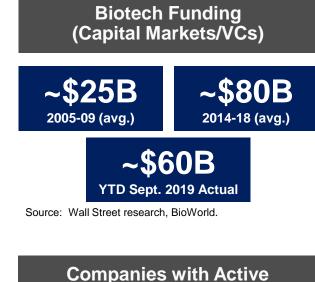
- Increased number of **biologics** in development
 - Rapid growth of **cell and gene therapies**
- Increased demand for outsourced services
- Avian: Stable demand for SPF eggs

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Biotech Innovation Driving Robust Funding Environment

- > Multiple sources of biotech funding provide balanced access to capital
 - Biotechs estimated to have at least 3 years⁽¹⁾ of cash on hand today due to broad-based investment in the sector
- Biotech continues to benefit from a robust funding environment from capital markets/IPOs and VCs
 - YTD 2019 biotech funding remained on pace with record levels achieved over the last 4 years
- Biotech industry has become the innovation engine for large biopharma
 - Large biopharma partnering has funded many of the virtual, small, and mid-size biotech companies





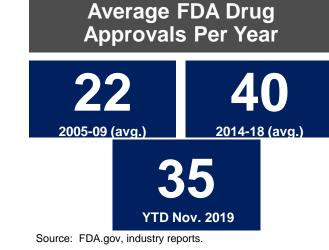
Source: PharmaProjects/PAREXEL R&D Sourcebook.

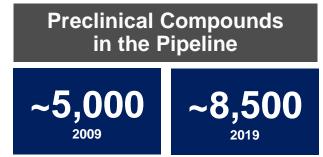
Biotechs have limited to no internal infrastructure; Rely on outsourcing to early-stage CROs like CRL as flexible and efficient R&D partners



Biopharma R&D Fundamentals Remain Strong

- Biopharma R&D investments continue to deliver innovative new therapies
 - FDA drug approvals and preclinical pipelines have significantly increased
 - $\circ~$ Driven by oncology research, rare/orphan disease, and cell & gene therapies
- Large biopharma has increasingly externalized R&D for efficiency, productivity, and speed to market
- Large biopharma focusing less on who discovers the molecule and more on whether the molecule addresses a significant medical need
 - Sourcing molecules from biotech, academia/NGOs, and early discovery CROs
 - More than half of all large biopharma pipelines are externally sourced





Source: Citeline/PharmaProjects.

Large biopharma continues to reduce internal capabilities and increase reliance on outsourcing to CROs like CRL



Our Guiding Principles

- Extensive Scientific Expertise: Experience with thousands of molecules across every therapeutic and disease area
 - Nearly 2,000 scientists with advanced degrees (D.V.M., Ph.D., D.A.B.T.)
- > Our People: Strategic hiring and building broad bench strength
 - Dedicated to flawless execution with culture of commitment and employee engagement
- Superior Client Service: A seamless, customized experience will be critical to ensuring that every client feels like our only client
 - Promote strategic relationships and partnering across our broad portfolio to support clients' critical go/no-go decisions
- Broad Portfolio: Adding new products and services and acquiring assets to enhance our ability to support clients' drug research efforts
 - No direct competitor has an early-stage portfolio as expansive
- Building Shareholder Value: Goal to nearly double revenue and earnings per share over next five years



Enhance our position as the leading full service, early-stage CRO with integrated drug discovery and early development capabilities



2019 Performance: YTD19 & FY Guidance

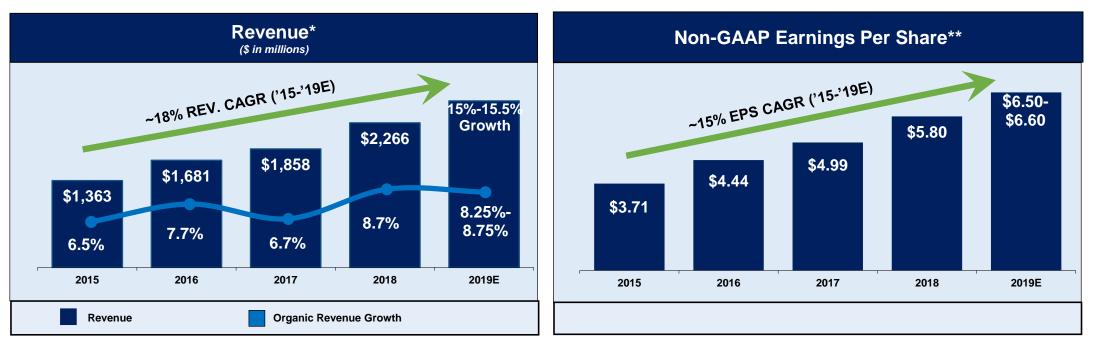
From Continuing Operations (\$ in millions, except per share data)	YTD Sept. 19	YTD Sept. 18	%Δ	Organic CC %∆	FY 2019 (Guidance
RMS	\$405.8	\$391.2	3.7%	6.0%	Reported Revenue Growth	15.0%-15.5%
DSA	\$1,179.8	\$958.7	23.1%	9.1%	Revenue Growin	
Manufacturing	\$344.5	\$314.7	9.5%	12.4%	Organic Revenue Growth	8.25%-8.75%
Revenue	\$1,930.1	\$1,664.6	16.0%	9.0%		
GAAP OM%	12.6%	13.8%	(120) bps		GAAP EPS	\$4.65-\$4.75
Non-GAAP OM%	18.1%	18.2%	(10) bps			\$6.50-\$6.60
GAAP EPS	\$3.46	\$3.36	3.0%		Non-GAAP EPS	12%-14% growth
Non-GAAP EPS	\$4.72	\$4.19	12.6%			
Free Cash Flow	\$223.6	\$229.8	(2.7)%		Free Cash Flow	\$310-\$320M



Strategic Plan Targets

- > Targeting long-term revenue and EPS growth of:
 - High-single-digit organic revenue growth

 Organic revenue growth expected to average ~7.5% from 2015-2019E
 - At least low-double-digit non-GAAP EPS growth
 - Non-GAAP EPS from 2015-2019E expected to increase by ~15% (CAGR)



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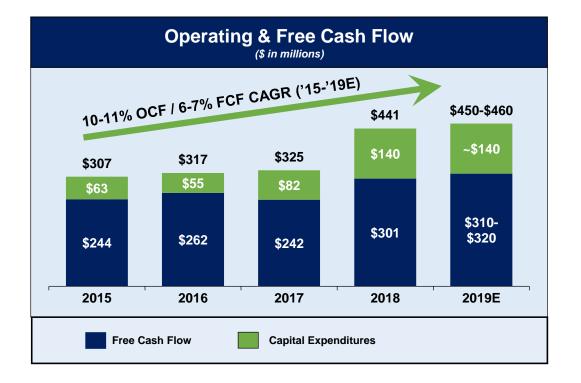
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* Reported Revenue Growth (GAAP): 2015: 5.1%; 2016: 23.3%; 2017: 10.5%; 2018: 22.0%; 2019E: 15.0%-15.5% ** GAAP EPS: 2015: \$3.15; 2016: \$3.22; 2017: \$2.54; 2018: \$4.59; 2019E: \$4.65-\$4.75



Strong Cash Flow Generation

- Operating cash flow growth expected to be >10% from 2015-2019E
 - Reflects strong underlying cash flow generation of our businesses
- Long-term revenue growth and operating margin expansion expected to continue to drive strong cash flow generation
- Capital expenditures have increased in recent years, which has restricted free cash flow growth
 - Disciplined, growth-related investments required to accommodate robust client demand
 - Capital requirements of recent acquisitions
- Going forward, expect capex to remain between
 5%-7% of total revenue





Optimizing Our Capital Structure

Refinanced debt structure

- Issued fixed-rate debt to capitalize on favorable interest rate environment and optimize debt structure to support future M&A
 - October 2019: \$500M, 4.25% senior unsecured notes due in May 2028
 - April 2018: \$500M, 5.5% senior unsecured notes due in April 2026
- Additional capacity under credit facility
 - Senior secured revolving credit facility of \$2.05B (\$1.24B available as of 11/4/19)
 - Increased by \$500M in November 2019
 - Senior secured term loan A of \$750M (\$203M outstanding as of 11/4/19)

CRL Capitalization (\$ in MM)	<u>10/26/19</u>
5.5% Senior notes due 2026	\$500
4.25% Senior notes due 2028	\$500
Term Ioan	203
Revolving credit facility	801
Finance leases & other	26
Total debt (short & long-term)	\$2,030
Additional borrowing capacity	\$1,240

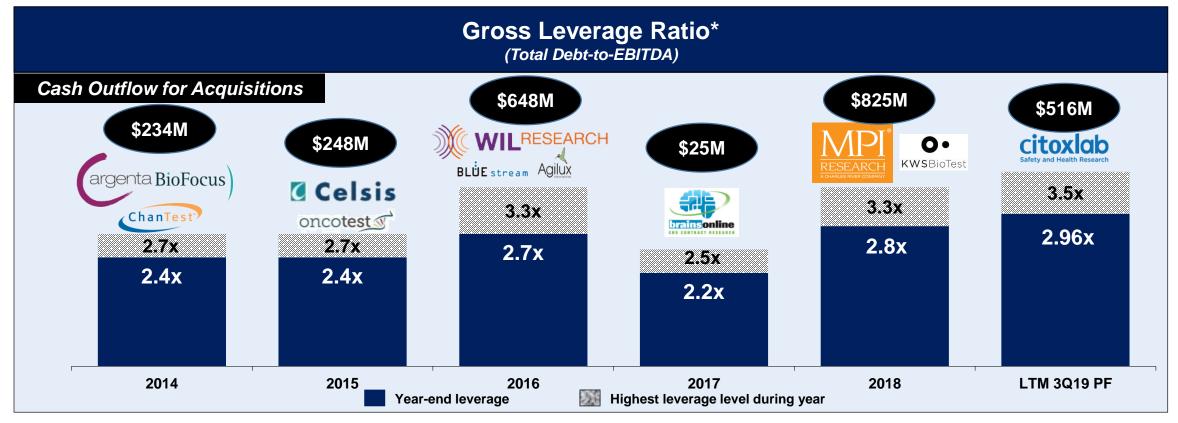
Optimizing our capital structure enables greater access to additional borrowing capacity to support strategic initiatives, including M&A strategy



Track Record of Debt Repayment

- Targeted leverage ratio (gross) below 3x
 - Increase debt level above 3x for certain strategic opportunities, primarily M&A

- Capital priorities in 2019 and beyond continue to be focused on strategic M&A
 - Absent any acquisitions, goal will be to maintain the gross leverage ratio below 3x



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20 EVERY STEP OF THE WAY Shaded areas represent highest leverage ratio for the year, including pro forma leverage ratio immediately following an acquisition.

Strategic M&A Remains Top Priority

> **Disciplined M&A** remains top priority of our long-term strategy

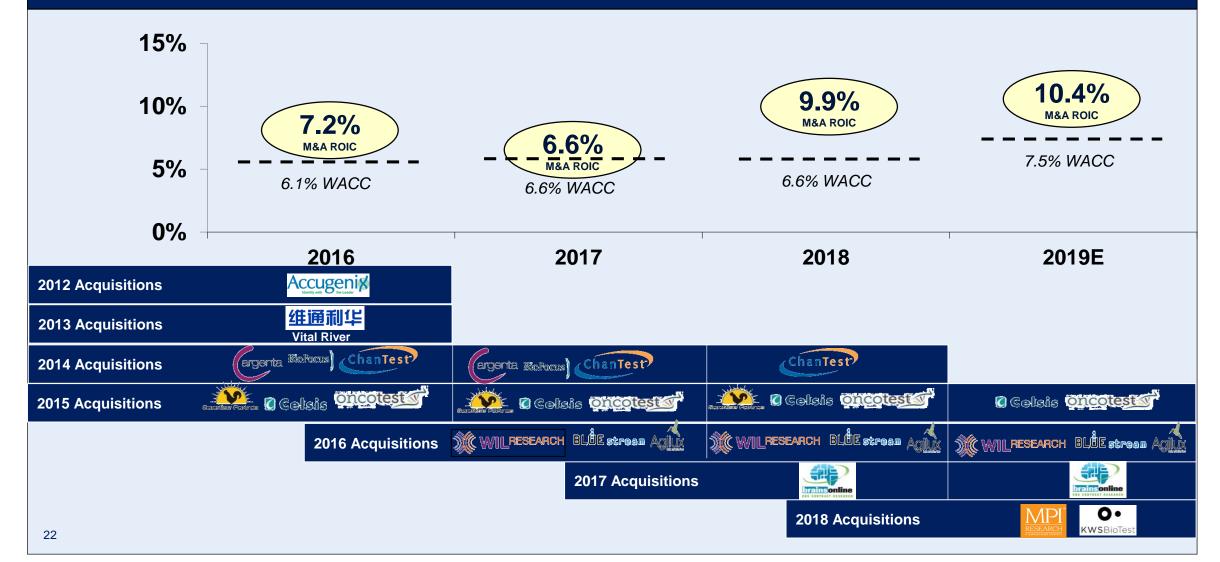
- Measure all M&A against investment criteria of:
 - Neutral to accretive on a non-GAAP basis in Year 1
 - ROIC meets or exceeds cost of capital by Year 3 or Year 4
- Invested >\$2B in 13 strategic acquisitions since 2015
 - ~One-third of 2019E revenue expected to be generated from these acquisitions
 - M&A strategy has met or exceeded our investment criteria/hurdle rates
- Long-term strategic plan assumes reinvestment of significant portion of free cash flow in M&A activities
 - Supplements organic growth
 - Enhances shareholder value



Achieving Expected Returns on M&A Investments

Historical M&A Performance for Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) by Year

(Acquisitions from the preceding 4 years that were not acquired within the current year)



Strategic Plan Targets: 2-Year Goals

	2-Year Targets							
	Organic Revenue Growth	Non-GAAP Operating Margin						
RMS	Low- to mid-single digits	Above 25%						
DSA	High-single digits	Mid-20% range						
Manufacturing	Low-double digits	Mid-30% range						
Consolidated	High-single digits	20%						
Consolidated with acquisitions	At least low-double digits	20%						

Goal to achieve 20% operating margin in FY 2021



Financial Target Summary

	2-Year Target (Non-GAAP)	5-Year Average or CAGR (2015-2019E)
Revenue growth	High-single-digit organic growth At least low-double-digit reported growth	~7.5% organic growth (average) ~18% reported growth CAGR
EPS growth	At least low-double-digit growth	~15% CAGR ~2x organic revenue growth
Operating margin	20% in FY 2021	~19% (average)
Unallocated corporate	~5% of total revenue	6.8% of revenue (average)
Leverage ratio (gross)	Below 3x after acquisitions	Below 3x at year-end in each of the last 5 years
Tax rate	Low- to mid-20% range	~25.5% (average)
Capital expenditures	5%-7% of revenue	~5% of revenue (average)
ROIC from M&A	ROIC meets or exceeds WACC in Year 3 or 4	10.4% in 2019E for acquisitions since 2H15 vs. 7.5% WACC

Strategic Imperatives



Strengthen portfolio by enhancing scientific expertise and adding innovative capabilities

Drive productivity and efficiency gains Enhance speed and responsive to provide clients with fast, reliable solutions

Focus on strategic, profitable growth



Disciplined capital deployment with a focus on M&A



Maintain and enhance our early-stage market leadership and achieve our long-term financial goals



Regulation G Financial Reconciliations



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF LAST TWELVE MONTHS (LTM) REVENUE & NON-GAAP OPERATING INCOME (1) (dollars in thousands)

Revenue	<u>RMS</u>	DSA	Manufacturing		Total CRL
Fiscal Year Ended December 29, 2018	\$519,682	\$1,316,854	\$429,560		\$2,266,096
Nine Months Ended September 28, 2019	405,772	1,179,793	344,523		1,930,088
Less: Nine Months Ended September 29, 2018	(391,195)	(958,665)	(314,706)		(1,664,566)
Last Twelve Months (LTM) Ended September 28, 2019	\$534,259	\$1,537,982	\$459,377	_	\$2,531,618
Segment % of Total	21%	61%	18%		100%
Non-GAAP Operating Income (2)	<u>RMS</u>	DSA	Manufacturing	Unallocated Corp.	Total CRL
Fiscal Year Ended December 29, 2018	\$140,013	\$285,464	\$146,745	(\$147,280)	\$424,942
Nine Months Ended September 28, 2019	108,335	244,123	112,947	(115,878)	349,527
Less: Nine Months Ended September 29, 2018	(107,725)	(202,509)	(103,749)	111,311	(302,672)
Last Twelve Months (LTM) Ended September 28, 2019	\$140,623	\$327,078	\$155,943	(\$151,847)	\$471,797
Total LTM 2019 Non-GAAP OI excluding Unallocated Corp.					\$623,644
Segment % of Total excluding Unallocated Corp.	23%	52%	25%		100%

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CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP SELECTED BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)⁽¹⁾ (in thousands, except percentages)

	Three Months Ended Nine Mon				ths Ended			
	Septen	ıber 28, 2019		ıber 29, 2018	Septer	nber 28, 2019		ıber 29, 2018
Research Models and Services								
Revenue	\$	132,546	\$	126,811	\$	405,772	\$	391,195
Operating income		34,385		32,121		103,729		104,893
Operating income as a % of revenue		25.9 %		25.3 %		25.6 %		26.8 9
Add back:								
Amortization related to acquisitions		341		385		1,042		1,20
Severance		381		65		1,106		80
Acquisition related adjustments (2)		—		—		2,201		-
Site consolidation costs, impairments and other items				238		257		82
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating income	\$	722	\$	688	\$	4,606	\$	2,83
Operating income, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	35,107	\$	32,809	\$	108,335	\$	107,72
Non-GAAP operating income as a % of revenue		26.5 %		25.9 %		26.7 %		27.5
Depreciation and amortization	\$	4,895	\$	4,811	\$	14,198	\$	14,56
Capital expenditures	\$	5,818	\$	8,166	\$	14,979	\$	18,10
Discovery and Safety Assessment								
Revenue	\$	420,079	\$	352,257	\$	1,179,793	\$	958,66
Operating income		64,995		62,909		175,214		160,39
Operating income as a % of revenue		15.5 %		17.9 %		14.9 %		16.7
Add back:								
Amortization related to acquisitions		21,560		16,204		58,067		39,79
Severance		1,848		30		2,533		97
Acquisition related adjustments (3)		4,524		269		8,516		1,46
Site consolidation costs, impairments and other items		(207)		26		(207)		(11
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating income	\$	27,725	\$	16,529	\$	68,909	\$	42,11
Operating income, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	92,720	\$	79,438	\$	244,123	\$	202,50
Non-GAAP operating income as a % of revenue		22.1 %		22.6 %		20.7 %		21.1
Depreciation and amortization	\$	39,898	\$	31,433	\$	111,231	\$	83,26
Capital expenditures	\$	21,141	\$	10,800	\$	45,130	\$	34,49
Aanufacturing Support								
Revenue	\$	115,326	\$	106,227	\$	344,523	\$	314,70
Operating income		39,253		33,266		103,893		95,90
Operating income as a % of revenue		34.0 %		31.3 %		30.2 %		30.5
Add back:								
Amortization related to acquisitions		2,204		2,217		6,802		6,8
Severance		248		_		549		8
Acquisition related adjustments (3)		62		(15)		218		-
Site consolidation costs, impairments and other items		180				1,485		15
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating income	\$	2,694	\$	2,202	\$	9,054	\$	7,84
Operating income, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	41,947	\$	35,468	\$	112,947	\$	103,74
Non-GAAP operating income as a % of revenue		36.4 %		33.4 %		32.8 %		33.0
Depreciation and amortization	\$	5,990	\$	5,709	\$	17,577	\$	17,3



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP SELECTED BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)⁽¹⁾ (in thousands, except percentages)

		Three Mo	nths End	ded	Nine Months Ended			
		September 28, 2019	September 29, 2018		September 28, 2019		Sept	ember 29, 2018
CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS SLIDE								
Unallocated Corporate Overhead	\$	(45,831)	\$	(43,934)	\$	(140,474)	\$	(132,287)
Add back:								
Severance		—		4,619		—		5,278
Acquisition related adjustments ⁽³⁾		5,296		1,801		23,188		15,698
Other items ⁽⁴⁾	\$	379	\$		\$	1,408	\$	
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating expense	\$	5,675	\$	6,420	\$	24,596	\$	20,976
Unallocated corporate overhead, excluding non-GAAP adjustment	s \$	(40,156)	\$	(37,514)	\$	(115,878)	\$	(111,311)
Total								
Revenue	\$	667,951	\$	585,295	\$	1,930,088	\$	1,664,566
Operating income	\$	92,802	\$	84,362	\$	242,362	\$	228,901
Operating income as a % of revenue		13.9 %		14.4 %		12.6 %		13.8 %
Add back:								
Amortization related to acquisitions		24,105		18,806		65,911		47,814
Severance and executive transition costs		2,477		4,714		4,188		7,929
Acquisition related adjustments (2)(3)		9,882		2,055		34,123		17,164
Site consolidation costs, impairments and other items ⁽⁴⁾		352		264		2,943		864
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating income	\$	36,816	\$	25,839	\$	107,165	\$	73,771
Operating income, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	129,618	\$	110,201	\$	349,527	\$	302,672
Non-GAAP operating income as a % of revenue		19.4 %		18.8 %		18.1 %		18.2 %
Depreciation and amortization	\$	51,758	\$	43,592	\$	146,262	\$	120,198
Capital expenditures	\$	35,163	\$	22,439	\$	76,675	\$	71,378

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(2) This amount represents a \$2.2 million charge recorded in connection with the modification of the option to purchase the remaining 8% equity interest in Vital River.

(3) These adjustments are related to the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, which primarily include transaction, third-party integration, and certain compensation costs, and fair value adjustments associated with contingent consideration.

(4) This amount relates to third-party costs, net of insurance reimbursements, associated with the remediation of the unauthorized access into the Company's information systems which was detected in March 2019.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP EARNINGS TO NON-GAAP EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)⁽¹⁾

(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended				
	Septem	ber 28, 2019	September 29, 2018		September 28, 2019		Septer	nber 29, 2018
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	72,810	\$	60,368	\$	171,671	\$	166,708
Less: Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes			_					1,506
Net income from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders		72,810		60,368		171,671		165,202
Add back:								
Non-GAAP adjustments to operating income (Refer to Schedule 4)		36,816		25,839		107,165		73,771
Write-off of deferred financing costs and fees related to debt refinancing		_		—		—		5,060
Venture capital (gains) losses		598		(5,376)		(5,724)		(22,760)
Tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments:								
Tax effect from U.S. Tax Reform ⁽²⁾		_		(2,800)		_		(2,800)
Tax effect from divestiture of CDMO business		_		(1,000)		—		(1,000)
Non-cash tax benefit related to international financing structure ⁽³⁾		(20,368)		_		(20,368)		
Tax effect of the remaining non-GAAP adjustments Net income from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders, excluding non-GAAP		(6,073)		(5,476)		(18,443)		(11,822)
adjustments	\$	83,783	\$	71,555	\$	234,301	\$	205,651
Weighted average shares outstanding - Basic		48,818		48,310		48,682		48,098
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Stock options, restricted stock units, performance share units and restricted stock		897		1,016		945		1,020
Weighted average shares outstanding - Diluted		49,715		49,326		49,627		49,118
Earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders								
Basic	\$	1.49	\$	1.25	\$	3.53	\$	3.43
Diluted	\$	1.46	\$	1.22	\$	3.46	\$	3.36
Basic, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	1.72	\$	1.48	\$	4.81	\$	4.28
Diluted, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	1.69	\$	1.45	\$	4.72	\$	4.19

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(2) This adjustment is related to the refinement of one-time charges associated with the enactment of U.S. Tax Reform related to the transition tax on unrepatriated earnings (also known as the toll tax), and the revaluation of U.S. federal net deferred tax liabilities.

(3) This adjustment relates to the recognition of deferred tax assets expected to be utilized as a result of changes to the Company's international financing structure.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP REVENUE GROWTH TO NON-GAAP REVENUE GROWTH, ORGANIC (UNAUDITED)⁽¹⁾

Three Months Ended September 28, 2019	Total CRL	RMS Segment	DSA Segment	MS Segment
Revenue growth, reported	14.1 %	4.5 %	19.3 %	8.6 %
Decrease (increase) due to foreign exchange	1.3 %	1.3 %	1.1 %	2.2 %
Contribution from acquisitions ⁽²⁾	(7.5)%	%	(12.5)%	(0.2)%
Non-GAAP revenue growth, organic ⁽³⁾	7.9 %	5.8 %	7.9 %	10.6 %
Nine Months Ended September 28, 2019	Total CRL	RMS Segment	DSA Segment	MS Segment
Revenue growth, reported	16.0 %	3.7 %	23.1 %	9.5 %
Decrease (increase) due to foreign exchange	1.9 %	2.3 %	1.4 %	3.1 %
Contribution from acquisitions $^{(2)}$	(8.9)%	%	(15.4)%	(0.2)%
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- (2) The contribution from acquisitions reflects only completed acquisitions. Manufacturing Support includes an immaterial acquisition of an Australian Microbial Solutions business.
- ⁽³⁾ Organic revenue growth is defined as reported revenue growth adjusted for acquisitions and foreign exchange.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP REVENUE AND EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS) Guidance for the Twelve Months Ended December 28, 2019E

2019 GUIDANCE	CURRENT
Revenue growth, reported	15.0% - 15.5%
Less: Contribution from acquisitions (1)	8.5% - 9.0%
Add: Negative impact of foreign exchange	1.5% - 2.0%
Revenue growth, organic (2)	8.25% - 8.75%
GAAP EPS estimate	\$4.65-\$4.75
Amortization of intangible assets (3)	~\$1.35
Charges related to global efficiency initiatives (4)	\$0.20-\$0.25
Acquisition-related adjustments (5)	\$0.72-\$0.75
Other items (6)	~\$0.05
Venture capital investment (gains)/losses (7)	(~\$0.08)
Discrete tax benefit (8)	(\$0.41)
Non-GAAP EPS estimate	\$6.50 - \$6.60
Free cash flow (9)	\$310 - \$320 million

Footnotes to Guidance Table:

(1) The contribution from acquisitions reflects only those acquisitions which have been completed.

(2) Organic revenue growth is defined as reported revenue growth adjusted for acquisitions and foreign currency translation.

(3) Amortization of intangible assets includes an estimate of approximately \$0.20 for the impact of the Citoxlab acquisition based on the preliminary purchase price allocation.

(4) These charges, which primarily include severance and other costs, relate primarily to the Company's planned efficiency initiatives. Other projects in support of global productivity and efficiency initiatives are expected, but these charges reflect only the decisions that have already been finalized.

(5) These adjustments are related to the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, and primarily include transaction, advisory, and certain third-party integration costs, as well as certain costs associated with acquisition-related efficiency initiatives. In addition, these adjustments include a charge associated with modification of a purchase option for the remaining 8% equity interest in Vital River. These costs are partially offset by the net impact of discrete tax benefit items.

(6) Other items include third-party costs, net of insurance reimbursements, associated with the remediation of the unauthorized access into the Company's information systems, which was detected in March 2019. In addition, other items include the write-off of deferred financing costs and fees related to debt financing.

(7) Venture capital investment performance only includes recognized gains or losses. The Company does not forecast future venture capital investment gains or losses.

(8) This item includes a non-cash, discrete tax benefit related to the Company's international financing structure. The Company recorded a \$20.4 million deferred tax asset relating to foreign indefinite-lived tax loss carryforwards, which it now expects to utilize in the future.

(9) The reconciliation of the current 2019 free cash flow guidance is as follows: Cash flow from operating activities of \$450-\$460 million, less capital expenditures of approximately \$140 million, equates to free cash flow of \$310-\$320 million.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF FREE CASH FLOW (NON-GAAP)⁽¹⁾ (in thousands)

		Three Mo	nded		Nine Mon	ths E	nded	<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	
	-	ember 28, 2019	September 29, 2018		September 28, 2019		September 29, 2018		December 28, 2019E
Net cash provided by operating activities Less: Capital expenditures	\$	155,847 (35,163)	\$	117,244 (22,439)	\$	300,259 (76,675)	\$	301,167 (71,378)	\$450,000-\$460,000 (~140,000)
Free cash flow	\$	120,684	\$	94,805	\$	223,584	\$	229,789	\$310,000-\$320,000

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CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP REVENUE GROWTH, ORGANIC (UNAUDITED) EXCLUDING THE IMPACT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE, ACQUISITIONS, CDMO DIVESTITURE, AND 53rd WEEK⁽¹⁾

Twelve Months Ended								
December 29,	December 30,	December 31,	December 26,					
2018	2017	2016	2015					
22.0%	10.5%	23.3%	5.1%					
(1.3%)	_	1.5%	5.3%					
(12.1%)	(6.0%)	(15.8%)	(4.0%)					
0.1%	0.8%	—	_					
	1.4%	(1.3%)						
8.7%	6.7%	7.7%	6.5%					
	2018 22.0% (1.3%) (12.1%) 0.1%	December 29, 2018 December 30, 2017 22.0% 10.5% (1.3%) (12.1%) (6.0%) 0.1% 0.8% 1.4%	December 29, 2018 December 30, 2017 December 31, 2016 22.0% 10.5% 23.3% (1.3%) 1.5% (12.1%) (6.0%) (15.8%) 0.1% 0.8% 1.4% (1.3%)					

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(2) The contribution from acquisitions reflects only completed acquisitions. 2018 revenue includes an immaterial acquisition of an Australian Microbial Solutions business.

(3) The CDMO business, which was acquired as part of WIL Research on April 4, 2016, was divested on February 10, 2017. This adjustment represents the revenue from the CDMO business for all applicable periods.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP OPERATING INCOME ⁽¹⁾ (dollars in thousands)

	Twelve Months Ended									
	December 29, 2018			cember 30,	Dee	December 31,		cember 26,		
				2017 ⁽²⁾		2016 ⁽²⁾		2015 ⁽²⁾		
Revenue	\$	2,266,096	\$	1,857,601	\$	1,681,432	\$	1,363,302		
Operating income		331,383		288,282		237,552		205,090		
Operating income as a % of revenue		14.6 %		15.5 %		14.1 %		15.0 %		
Add back:										
Amortization related to acquisitions		64,831		41,370		42,746		29,374		
Severance and executive transition costs		8,680		3,278		8,472		6,173		
Acquisition-related adjustments ⁽³⁾		19,184		6,687		21,887		14,513		
Government billing adjustment and related expenses				150		634		477		
Operating losses ⁽⁴⁾		_						5,517		
Site consolidation costs, impairments and other items		864		18,645	_	11,849		2,240		
Total non-GAAP adjustments to operating income	\$	93,559	\$	70,130	\$	85,588	\$	58,294		
Operating income, excluding non-GAAP adjustments	\$	424,942	\$	358,412	\$	323,140	\$	263,384		
Non-GAAP operating income as a % of revenue		18.8 %		19.3 %		19.2 %		19.3 %		

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(2) Prior-year operating income and operating income margin amounts have been recast to reflect the retrospective adoption of a new accounting standard in 1Q18 (ASU 2017-07).
(3) These adjustments are related to the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, which primarily include transaction, third-party integration, and certain compensation costs, and fair value adjustments associated with contingent consideration.

(4) This item includes operating losses related primarily to the Company's DSA facility in Massachusetts.



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CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP EARNINGS TO NON-GAAP EARNINGS ⁽¹⁾ (dollars in thousands, except for per share data)

Net income from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders 224,867 123,492 154,485 150,	,313 (950) ,263 ,374
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Gain on divestiture of CDMO business - (10,577) - Write-off of deferred financing costs and fees related to debt financing 5,060 - 987	701
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Debt forgiveness associated with a prior acquisition ⁽⁶⁾ - (1,863) -	_
	,824)
Tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments:	
Tax effect from U.S. Tax Reform ⁽⁷⁾ (5,450) 78,537 —	_
Tax effect from divestiture of CDMO business (1,000) 17,705 —	—
	,411)
Tax effect of the remaining non-GAAP adjustments (17,166) (12,286) (18,744) (18,744)	,672)
Net income from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders, excluding non-GAAP	
adjustments \$ 283,942 \$ 242,204 \$ 212,915 \$ 176,	,945
Weighted average shares outstanding - Basic 47.947 47.481 47.014 46.	.496
Effect of dilutive securities:	
Stock options, restricted stock units, performance share units,	
and contingently issued restricted stock 1,071 1,083 944 1,	,138
Weighted average shares outstanding - Diluted 49,018 48,564 47,958 47,958	,634
Earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders	
	3.23
	3.15
Basic, excluding non-GAAP adjustments \$ 5.92 \$ 5.10 \$ 4.53 \$	3.81
Diluted, excluding non-GAAP adjustments\$5.80\$4.99\$4.44\$	3.71

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(2) This item includes operating losses related primarily to the Company's DSA facility in Massachusetts.

(3) These adjustments are related to the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, which primarily include transaction, third-party integration, and certain compensation costs, and fair value adjustments associated with contingent consideration. In fiscal year 2016, the amount also includes a \$1.5 million charge recorded in connection with the modification of the option to purchase the remaining 13% equity interest in Wall River, partially offset by a \$0.7 million gain on remeasurement of previously held equity interest in an entity acquired in a step acquisition.

- (4) These amounts represent the reversal of an uncertain tax position and an offsetting indemnification asset primarily related to the acquisition of BioFocus.
- (5) These amounts relate to the acquisition of Sunrise Farms, Inc. and represents the excess of the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired over the purchase price.

(6) The amount represents the forgiveness of a liability related to the acquisition of Vital River.

(7) The amount for fiscal year 2017 includes a \$78.5 million estimate for the impact of the enactment of U.S. Tax Reform legislation. The estimated impact of U.S. Tax Reform consists of the one-time transition tax on unrepatriated earnings (also known as the toll tax), withholding and state taxse related to the Company's withdrawal of its indefinite reinvestment assertion regarding unremitted earnings, and the revaluation of U.S. federal net deferred tax liabilities. The final impact of U.S. Tax Reform may differ from these estimates, due to, among other things, changes in interpretations, analysis, and assumptions made by the Company, additional guidance that may be issued by regulatory agencies, and any updated or changes to estimates the Company utilized to calculate the transition tax impact.



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF FREE CASH FLOW (NON-GAAP) $^{(1)}$

		nths Ende	ed					
		ember 29, 2018	ember 30, 2017		ember 31, 2016 ⁽³⁾	December 26, 2015 ⁽³⁾		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	441,140	\$ 318,074	\$	316,899	\$	306,833	
Add back: Tax impact of CDMO divestiture ⁽²⁾		_	6,500					
Less: Capital expenditures		(140,054)	(82,431)		(55,288)		(63,252)	
Free cash flow	\$	301,086	\$ 242,143	\$	261,611	\$	243,581	

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(2) Free cash flow has been adjusted to exclude the cash tax impact related to the divestiture of the CDMO business, which is recorded in Cash Flows relating to Operating Activities, because divestitures are outside of our normal operations, the corresponding cash proceeds from the divestiture are reflected in Cash Flows relating to Investing Activities, and the impact of the CDMO divestiture is large, which can adversely affect the comparability of our results on a period-to-period basis.

(3) Cash flow amounts have been recast to reflect the retrospective adoption of new accounting standards in 1Q17 (ASU 2016-09, ASU 2016-15, ASU 2016-18).



CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GROSS/NET LEVERAGE RATIO, INCLUDING GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDA (1)

(dollars in thousands)

DEBT (2):	Sep	tember 28, 2019	D	ecember 29, 2018	De	ecember 30, 2017	D	ecember 31, 2016	D	ecember 26, 2015	D	ecember 27, 2014	De	cember 28, 2013
Total Debt & Capital Leases	\$	1,916,204	\$	1,668,014	\$	1,145,104	\$	1,235,009	\$	863,031	\$	777,863	\$	663,789
Plus: Other adjustments per credit agreement	\$	692	\$	3,033	\$	298	\$	3,621	\$	1,370	\$	2,828	\$	9,787
Total Indebtedness per credit agreement	\$	1,916,896	\$	1,671,047	\$	1,145,402	\$	1,238,630	\$	864,401	\$	780,691	\$	673,576
Less: Cash and cash equivalents		(165,614)		(195,442)		(163,794)		(117,626)		(117,947)		(160,023)		(155,927)
Net Debt	\$	1,751,282	\$	1,475,605	\$	981,608	\$	1,121,004	\$	746,454	\$	620,668	\$	517,649

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	Sep	tember 28, 2019	Dec	ember 29, 2018	De	cember 30, 2017	De	cember 31, 2016	Dec	ember 26, 2015	mber 27, 014	Dec	ember 28, 2013
ADJUSTED EBITDA (2):													
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	231,337	\$	226,373	\$	123,355	\$	154,765	\$	149,313	\$ 126,698	\$	102,828
Adjustments:													
Less: Aggregate non-cash amount of nonrecurring gains		(207)		_		_		(685)		(9,878)	(2,048)		_
Plus: Interest expense		76,405		65,258		29,777		27,709		15,072	11,950		20,969
Plus: Provision for income taxes		39,821		54,996		171,369		66,835		43,391	46,685		32,142
Plus: Depreciation and amortization		187,843		161,779		131,159		126,658		94,881	96,445		96,636
Plus: Non-cash nonrecurring losses		76		559		17,716		6,792		10,427	1,615		4,202
Plus: Non-cash stock-based compensation		54,867		47,346		44,003		43,642		40,122	31,035		24,542
Plus: Permitted acquisition-related costs		31,886		19,181		6,687		22,653		13,451	6,285		1,752
Plus: Pro forma EBITDA adjustments for permitted acquisitions		24,773		15,648		690		18,573		9,199	10,787		_
Adjusted EBITDA (per the calculation defined in compliance certificates)	\$	646,799	\$	591,140	\$	524,756	\$	466,942	\$	365,978	\$ 329,452	\$	283,071
	Sep	ember 28, 2019	Dec	ember 29, 2018	De	cember 30, 2017	De	cember 31, 2016	Dec	ember 26, 2015	mber 27, 014	Dec	ember 28, 2013

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
LEVERAGE RATIO:							
Gross leverage ratio per credit agreement (total debt divided by adjusted							
EBITDA)	2.96x	2.83x	2.2x	2.7x	2.4x	2.4x	2.4x
Net leverage ratio (net debt divided by adjusted EBITDA)	2.7x	2.5x	1.9x	2.4x	2.0x	1.9x	1.8x

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- (2) Pursuant to the definition in its credit agreement dated March 26. 2018, the Company has defined its pro forma leverage ratio as total debt divided by adjusted EBITDA for the trailing-twelve-month period following the close of, and pro forma for, the acquisition of CTL International. Adjusted EBITDA represents net income, prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP), adjusted for interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, and certain items that management believes are not reflective of the operational performance of the business. These adjustments include, but are not limited to, acquisition-related expenses including transaction and advisory costs; asset impairments; changes in fair value of contingent consideration obligations; employee stock compensation; historical EBITDA of companies acquired during the period; and other items identified by the company.



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