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${\bf CHARLES\ RIVER\ LABORATORIES\ INTERNATIONAL, INC.}$

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For the Quarterly Period Ended June 27, 2015

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Special Note on Factors Affecting Future Results

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements regarding future events and the future results of Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. that are based on our current expectations, estimates, forecasts, and projections about the industries in which we operate and the beliefs and assumptions of our management. Words such as "expect," "anticipate," "target," "goal," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seek," "estimate," "will," "likely," "may," "designed," "would," "future," "can," "could" and other similar expressions that are predictions of or indicate future events and trends or which do not relate to historical matters are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are based on our current expectations and beliefs and involve a number of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that are difficult to predict. For example, we may use forward-looking statements when addressing topics such as: goodwill and asset impairments still under review; future demand for drug discovery and development products and services, including the outsourcing of these services; our expectations regarding stock repurchases, including the number of shares to be repurchased, expected timing and duration, the amount of capital that may be expended and the treatment of repurchased shares; present spending trends and other cost reduction activities by our clients; future actions by our management; the outcome of contingencies; changes in our business strategy, business practices and methods of generating revenue; the development and performance of our services and products; market and industry conditions, including competitive and pricing trends; our strategic relationships with venture capital limited partnerships and leading pharmaceutical companies and opportunities for future similar arrangements; our cost structure; the impact of acquisitions (including Argenta and BioFocus, VivoPath, ChanTest, Sunrise and Celsis); our expectations with respect to revenue growth and operating synergies (including the impact of specific actions intended to cause related improvements); the impact of specific actions intended to improve overall operating efficiencies and profitability (and our ability to accommodate future demand with our infrastructure) including gains and losses attributable to businesses we plan to close, consolidate or divest; changes in our expectations regarding future stock option, restricted stock, performance share units and other equity grants to employees and directors; expectations with respect to foreign currency exchange; assessing (or changing our assessment of) our tax positions for financial statement purposes; and our liquidity. In addition, these statements include the impact of economic and market conditions on our clients; the effects of our cost-saving actions and the steps to optimize returns to shareholders on an effective and timely basis and our ability to withstand the current market conditions. You should not rely on forward-looking statements because they are predictions and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this document or in the case of statements incorporated by reference, on the date of the document incorporated by reference. Factors that might cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014 under the sections entitled "Our Strategy," "Risk Factors," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and in our press releases and other financial filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We have no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or risks. New information, future events or risks may cause the forward-looking events we discuss in this report not to occur.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended			
	Ju	ne 27, 2015	Ju	ne 28, 2014	Jı	une 27, 2015	Ju	ne 28, 2014
Service revenue	\$	214,380	\$	211,003	\$	411,160	\$	383,348
Product revenue		125,193		130,176		248,827		257,199
Total revenue		339,573		341,179		659,987		640,547
Costs and expenses:								
Cost of services provided		144,143		147,954		280,449		271,923
Cost of products sold		62,647		67,591		127,095		134,177
Selling, general and administrative		71,331		67,756		142,728		132,523
Amortization of intangible assets		5,717		6,853		10,975		11,193
Operating income		55,735		51,025		98,740		90,731
Other income (expense):								
Interest income		297		222		581		427
Interest expense		(4,376)		(3,373)		(7,400)		(6,174)
Other income (expense), net		8,672		2,667		359		8,543
Income from continuing operations, before income taxes		60,328		50,541		92,280		93,527
Provision for income taxes		11,076		14,081		11,407		24,439
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes		49,252		36,460		80,873		69,088
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(7)		(644)		(14)		(914)
Net income		49,245		35,816		80,859		68,174
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(736)		(552)		(809)		(678)
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	48,509	\$	35,264	\$	80,050	\$	67,496
Earnings (loss) per common share								
Basic:								
Continuing operations attributable to common shareholders	\$	1.04	\$	0.76	\$	1.71	\$	1.46
Discontinued operations	\$	_	\$	(0.01)	\$	_	\$	(0.02)
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	1.04	\$	0.75	\$	1.71	\$	1.44
Diluted:								
Continuing operations attributable to common shareholders	\$	1.02	\$	0.75	\$	1.68	\$	1.43
Discontinued operations	\$	_	\$	(0.01)	\$	_	\$	(0.02)
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	1.02	\$	0.74	\$	1.68	\$	1.41

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended				
	Jui	ne 27, 2015	Jun	ne 28, 2014	Ju	ne 27, 2015	Jur	ne 28, 2014
Net income	\$	49,245	\$	35,816	\$	80,859	\$	68,174
Foreign currency translation adjustment and other		17,953		12,902		(14,716)		7,884
Cumulative translation adjustment related to intercompany loan forgiveness		_		_		(2,341)		_
Pension and other post-retirement benefit plans:								
Amortization of net loss and prior service benefit included in net periodic pension cost		761		291		1,490		580
Comprehensive income, before income taxes		67,959		49,009		65,292		76,638
Income tax expense related to items of other comprehensive income (Note 10)		263		129		480		148
Comprehensive income, net of income taxes		67,696		48,880		64,812		76,490
Less: Comprehensive income related to noncontrolling interests		805		489		878		140
Comprehensive income attributable to common shareholders	\$	66,891	\$	48,391	\$	63,934	\$	76,350

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	June 27, 2015			December 27, 2014		
Assets						
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	150,807	\$	160,023		
Trade receivables, net		277,398		257,991		
Inventories		90,037		89,043		
Prepaid assets		36,952		26,900		
Other current assets		74,453		72,941		
Total current assets		629,647		606,898		
Property, plant and equipment, net		680,565		676,797		
Goodwill		317,414		321,077		
Other intangible assets, net		172,376		178,875		
Deferred tax asset		22,699		23,193		
Other assets		63,216		72,951		
Total assets	\$	1,885,917	\$	1,879,791		
Liabilities, Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Equity						
Current liabilities:						
Current portion of long-term debt and capital leases	\$	17,993	\$	31,904		
Accounts payable		32,967		33,815		
Accrued compensation		57,400		71,569		
Deferred revenue		77,382		78,124		
Accrued liabilities		76,030		67,380		
Other current liabilities		12,564		11,079		
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		2,196		2,299		
Total current liabilities		276,532		296,170		
Long-term debt, net and capital leases		754,777		740,557		
Other long-term liabilities		111,256		130,361		
Long-term liabilities of discontinued operations		7,547		8,357		
Total liabilities		1,150,112		1,175,445		
Commitments and contingencies						
Redeemable noncontrolling interest		29,976		28,419		
Equity:						
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 20,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		_		_		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 120,000 shares authorized; 85,373 shares issued and 46,850 shares outstanding at June 27, 2015 and 84,503 shares issued and 47,327 shares outstanding at December 27, 2014		853		845		
Additional paid-in capital		2,372,685		2,307,640		
Accumulated deficit		(58,725)		(138,775)		
Treasury stock, at cost, 38,523 shares and 37,176 shares at June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, respectively		(1,522,747)		(1,423,260)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(90,363)		(74,247)		
Total equity attributable to common shareholders		701,703		672,203		
Noncontrolling interests		4,126		3,724		
Total equity and redeemable noncontrolling interest		735,805		704,346		
Total liabilities, equity and redeemable noncontrolling interest	\$	1,885,917	\$	1,879,791		
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CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

	Six Months Ended			
	Ju	ne 27, 2015		June 28, 2014
Cash flows relating to operating activities				
Net income	\$	80,859	\$	68,174
Less: Loss from discontinued operations		(14)		(914)
Income from continuing operations		80,873		69,088
Adjustments to reconcile net income from continuing operations to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		45,516		44,352
Amortization of debt issuance costs		1,572		868
Stock-based compensation		19,873		14,881
Deferred income taxes		934		6,643
Gain on investments in limited partnerships		(364)		(8,180)
Gain on bargain purchase		(9,878)		_
Other, net		(198)		517
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Trade receivables, net		(24,574)		(31,161)
Inventories		(1,662)		(2,502)
Other assets		5,871		(14,928)
Accounts payable		1,752		4,404
Accrued compensation		(12,757)		(1,229)
Deferred revenue		422		1,942
Accrued liabilities		8,795		10,012
Taxes payable and prepaid taxes		(6,696)		(6,802)
Other liabilities		(11,873)		(2,467)
Net cash provided by operating activities		97,606		85,438
Cash flows relating to investing activities				
Acquisition of businesses and assets, net of cash acquired		(10,680)		(183,151)
Capital expenditures		(24,556)		(20,505)
Purchases of investments		(15,174)		(9,734)
Proceeds from sale of investments and distributions from investments in limited partnerships		11,356		12,818
Other, net		2,566		(1,926)
Net cash used in investing activities		(36,488)		(202,498)
Cash flows relating to financing activities				
Proceeds from long-term debt and revolving credit agreement		294,213		237,920
Proceeds from exercises of stock options		35,641		36,534
Payments on long-term debt, capital lease obligations and revolving credit agreement		(301,283)		(98,404)
Purchase of treasury stock		(99,486)		(101,609)
Other, net		7,188		3,771
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	-	(63,727)		78,212
Discontinued operations				
Net cash used in operating activities from discontinued operations		(927)		(689)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(5,680)		622
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(9,216)		(38,915)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		160,023		155,927
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	150,807	\$	117,012

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared by Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the Company) in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP) and pursuant to Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. The year-end condensed consolidated balance sheet data was derived from the Company's audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by U.S. GAAP. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014. The condensed consolidated financial statements, in the opinion of management, reflect all normal and recurring adjustments necessary for a fair statement of our financial position and results of operations. Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year amounts to conform to the current year presentation. The Company's fiscal year is the twelve-month period ending the last Saturday in December.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires that the Company make estimates and judgments that may affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, the Company evaluates its estimates, judgments and methodologies. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. Changes in estimates are reflected in reported results in the period in which they become known.

Consolidation

The Company's consolidated financial statements reflect its financial statements and those of its subsidiaries in which the Company holds a controlling financial interest. For consolidated entities in which the Company owns or is exposed to less than 100% of the economics, the Company records net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests in its consolidated statements of income equal to the percentage of the economic or ownership interest retained in such entities by the respective noncontrolling parties. Intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Company's significant accounting policies are described in Note 1, "Description of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies," in the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Newly Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2015-03, "Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs," which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the associated debt liability, consistent with the presentation of debt discounts or premiums. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. During the three months ended June 27, 2015, the Company elected early adoption of this standard and applied the changes retrospectively to all prior periods presented in its consolidated financial statements.

The Company historically presented deferred debt issuance costs, or fees related to directly issuing debt, as assets on the consolidated balance sheets. As of June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the adoption of this standard has resulted in the reclassification of \$7.7 million and \$5.4 million, respectively, from other assets to long-term debt, net and capital leases. These costs will continue to be amortized as interest expense over the term of the corresponding debt issuance.

Newly Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2015, FASB issued ASU 2015-04, "Practical Expedient for the Measurement Date of an Employer's Defined Benefit Obligation and Plan Assets" to provide a practical expedient related to the measurement date of the defined benefit plan assets and obligations. The practical expedient allows employers with fiscal year-end dates that do not coincide with a calendar month end to measure pension and post-retirement benefit plan assets and obligations as of the calendar month-end date closest to the fiscal year end. The standard requires entities that elect the practical expedient to adjust the measurement of benefit plan assets and obligations for contributions or significant events between the month-end measurement date and the entity fiscal year end. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is still evaluating the impact the election of the practical expedient would have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-02, "Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis," which amends existing consolidation requirements. The guidance affects reporting entities that are required to evaluate whether they should consolidate certain legal entities. Specifically, the guidance amends (i) the identification of variable interests (fees paid to a decision maker or service provider), (ii) the variable interest entity characteristics for a limited partnership or similar entity and (iii) the primary beneficiary determination. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within

those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The adoption of this standard is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers." The standard requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The standard will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective and permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. The ASU was originally effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2016; however, on July 9, 2015, the FASB decided to defer by one year the effective date of the ASU. As a result, the standard will be effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company has not yet selected a transition method and is evaluating the impact the adoption will have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

2. BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS

Sunrise

On May 5, 2015, the Company acquired Sunrise Farms, Inc. (Sunrise), a producer of specific pathogen free fertile chicken eggs and chickens for the manufacture of live viruses. The purpose of this business acquisition was to expand the capabilities of the Company's existing Avian Vaccine Services business. The preliminary purchase price of the acquisition was \$9.6 million and included payments for estimated working capital, which is subject to final adjustment based on the actual working capital of the acquired business as of the closing date. The acquisition was funded by cash on hand and borrowings on the Company's revolving credit facility. The business is reported in the Company's Manufacturing Support (Manufacturing) reportable segment.

The Company recorded a bargain purchase gain of \$9.9 million, which represents the excess of the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired over the preliminary purchase price. The bargain purchase gain was recorded in other income (expense), net in the Company's consolidated statement of income and was not recognized for tax purposes. The Company believes there were several factors that contributed to this transaction resulting in a bargain purchase gain, including the highly specialized nature of Sunrise's business falling outside of the seller's core activities and a limited pool of potential buyers.

Before recognizing the gain from the bargain purchase, the Company reassessed its initial identification and valuation of assets acquired and liabilities assumed to validate that all assets and liabilities that the Company is able to identify at the acquisition date are properly recognized.

The preliminary purchase price allocation of \$9.6 million, net of less than \$0.1 million of cash acquired, is as follows:

	Ma	y 5, 2015
	(in t	thousands)
Accounts receivable, net	\$	981
Inventory		1,518
Other current assets (excluding cash)		318
Property, plant and equipment		13,866
Definite-lived intangible assets		3,400
Current liabilities		(397)
Long-term liabilities		(250)
Fair value of net assets acquired		19,436
Bargain purchase gain		(9,878)
Total purchase price allocation	\$	9,558

The purchase price allocations were prepared on a preliminary basis and are subject to change as additional information becomes available concerning the fair value and tax basis of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Any additional adjustments to the purchase price allocation will be made as soon as practicable but no later than one year from the date of acquisition.

The identifiable definite-lived intangible assets acquired represent the client relationships intangible, which is being amortized over the estimated useful life of approximately 15 years.

The Company incurred transaction and integration costs in connection with the acquisition of \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million during the three and six months ended June 27, 2015, respectively, which were included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

ChanTest

In October 2014, the Company acquired ChanTest Corporation (ChanTest), a leading provider of ion channel testing services to the pharmaceutical and biotech industry. The acquisition augments the Company's early discovery capabilities and enhances the Company's ability to support clients' target discovery and lead optimization efforts. The preliminary purchase price of the acquisition was \$59.3 million, including \$0.3 million in contingent consideration. The aggregate, undiscounted amount of contingent consideration that could become payable is a maximum of \$2.0 million. The Company estimated the fair value of this contingent consideration based on a probability-weighted set of outcomes. The purchase price is subject to an adjustment based on the final determined net working capital as of the closing date. The business is reported in the Company's Discovery and Safety Assessment (DSA) reportable segment.

The preliminary purchase price allocation of \$52.1 million, net of \$7.2 million in cash acquired, is as follows:

	Oct	ober 29, 2014
	(iı	n thousands)
Current assets (excluding cash)	\$	4,648
Property, plant and equipment		1,579
Definite-lived intangible assets		23,920
Goodwill		34,927
Current liabilities		(3,515)
Long-term liabilities		(9,486)
Total purchase price allocation	\$	52,073

The purchase price allocations were prepared on a preliminary basis and are subject to change as additional information becomes available concerning the fair value and tax basis of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. During the six months ended June 27, 2015, the Company recorded measurement period adjustments related to the ChanTest acquisition that resulted in an immaterial change to the purchase price allocation. Any additional adjustments to the purchase price allocation will be made as soon as practicable but no later than one year from the date of acquisition.

The breakout of definite-lived intangible assets acquired is as follows:

	Octo	Weighted average amortization life	
	(in	(in years)	
Client relationships	\$	19,000	13
Other intangible assets		4,920	9
Total definite-lived intangible assets	\$	23,920	

The definite-lived intangibles are largely attributed to the expected cash flows related to client relationships existing at the acquisition closing date. The goodwill resulting from the transaction is primarily attributed to the potential growth of the business and is not deductible for tax purposes.

VivoPath

In June 2014, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of VivoPath LLC (VivoPath), a discovery services company specializing in the rapid, in vivo compound evaluation of molecules in the therapeutic areas of metabolism, inflammation and oncology. The purchase price was \$2.3 million, including \$1.6 million in contingent consideration, and was allocated primarily to the intangible assets acquired. The aggregate, undiscounted amount of contingent consideration that could become payable is a maximum of \$2.4 million, payable over three years based on the achievement of revenue growth targets. During the three

months ended June 27, 2015, the first-year tranche of the contingent consideration of \$0.6 million was earned. The Company estimated the fair value of this contingent consideration based on a probability-weighted set of outcomes. The business is reported in the Company's DSA reportable segment.

Argenta and BioFocus

On April 1, 2014, the Company acquired (1) 100% of the shares of the United Kingdom (U.K.) based entities Argenta and BioFocus, and (2) certain Dutch assets. These businesses have formed the core of the Company's Early Discovery business. With this acquisition, the Company has enhanced its position as a full service, early-stage contract research organization, with integrated in vitro and in vivo capabilities from target discovery through preclinical development. The purchase price of the acquisition was \$191.8 million, including \$0.9 million in contingent consideration. The acquisition was funded by cash on hand and borrowings on the Company's revolving credit facility. The purchase price included payment for estimated working capital, which was subject to final adjustment based on the actual working capital of the acquired business. The businesses are reported in the Company's DSA reportable segment.

The contingent consideration earn-out period ended on April 1, 2015. As a result, the related contingent consideration liability, as adjusted for subsequent changes in fair value, was reversed and a gain of \$0.8 million was recorded in selling, general, and administrative expenses during the three months ended March 28, 2015, as no payments are expected to be made. The contingent consideration was a one-time payment that could have become payable in the second quarter of 2015 based on the achievement of a certain revenue target for the twelve-month period following the acquisition. The aggregate, undiscounted amount of contingent consideration that the Company could have paid was €5.0 million (\$5.6 million as of June 27, 2015). The Company estimated the fair value of this contingent consideration based on a probability-weighted set of outcomes.

The purchase price allocation of \$183.6 million, net of \$8.2 million of cash acquired, was as follows (in thousands):

Current assets (excluding cash)	\$	31,682
Property, plant and equipment	Ψ	21,008
Other long term assets		11,140
Definite-lived intangible assets		104,470
Goodwill		65,235
Current liabilities		(13,139)
Long term liabilities		(36,802)
Total purchase price allocation	\$	183,594

The breakout of definite-lived intangible assets acquired was as follows:

	Definite-	Lived Intangible Assets	Weighted Average Amortization Life
	(in	thousands)	(in years)
Client relationships	\$	94,000	18
Backlog		5,900	1
Trademark and trade names		1,170	3
Leasehold interests		1,000	13
Other intangible assets		2,400	19
Total definite-lived intangible assets	\$	104,470	

The goodwill resulting from the transaction is primarily attributed to the potential growth of the Company's DSA businesses from clients introduced through Argenta and BioFocus, the assembled workforce of the acquired businesses and expected cost synergies. The goodwill attributable to Argenta and BioFocus is not deductible for tax purposes. The Company incurred transaction and integration costs in connection with the acquisition of less than \$0.1 million during the three and six months ended June 27, 2015 and of \$1.6 million and \$4.9 million during the three and six months ended June 28, 2014, respectively, which were included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Argenta and BioFocus revenue and operating loss for the three months ended June 27, 2015 are \$20.1 million and \$1.7 million, respectively. Argenta and BioFocus revenue and operating loss for the six months ended June 27, 2015 are \$40.7 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Argenta and BioFocus revenue and operating income for both three and six months ended June 28, 2014 are \$23.5 million and less than \$0.1 million, respectively, since Argenta and BioFocus were acquired on April 1, 2014.

The following selected *pro forma* consolidated results of operations are presented as if the Argenta and BioFocus acquisition had occurred as of the beginning of the period immediately preceding the period of acquisition after giving effect to certain adjustments, including amortization of intangible assets and depreciation of fixed assets of \$3.7 million and other one-time costs. These *pro forma* consolidated results of operations are for informational purposes only and do not necessarily reflect the results of operations had the companies operated as one entity during the periods reported. No effect has been given for synergies, if any, that may have been realized through the acquisition.

		Three Months Ended			Six Months En			ided	
	Ju	June 27, 2015 June 28, 2014			Ju	ane 27, 2015	Ju	ne 28, 2014	
		(in thousands)							
Revenue	\$	339,573	\$	341,179	\$	659,987	\$	665,656	
Net income attributable to common shareholders		48,509		35,264		80,050		65,688	
Earnings per common share									
Basic	\$	1.04	\$	0.75	\$	1.71	\$	1.40	
Diluted	\$	1.02	\$	0.74	\$	1.68	\$	1.38	

These *pro forma* results of operations have been prepared for comparative purposes only, and they do not purport to be indicative of the results of operations that actually would have resulted had the acquisition occurred on the date indicated or that may result in the future.

3. RESTRUCTURING

The Company periodically implements staffing reductions to improve operating efficiency at various sites.

The following table rolls forward the Company's severance and retention cost liability:

					I	ayments and		
	Dece	mber 27, 2014		Expense		Adjustments		June 27, 2015
	· ·	(in thousands)						_
Severance and retention cost liability	\$	2,666	\$	1,835	\$	(2,765) \$	3	1,736
Total	\$	2,666	\$	1,835	\$	(2,765) \$	3	1,736

As of June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, \$1.4 million and \$2.2 million of severance and retention costs liabilities, respectively, were included in accrued compensation and \$0.3 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, were included in other long-term liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

The following table presents severance and retention costs by classification on the income statement:

	Three Months Ended					Six Mon	ths Ended	
	Ju	ne 27, 2015	J	une 28, 2014	J	une 27, 2015	Jı	une 28, 2014
	(in thousands)							
Severance charges included in cost of revenue	\$	137	\$	1,072	\$	667	\$	2,754
Severance charges included in selling, general and administrative		568		1,817		1,168		2,035
Total expense	\$	705	\$	2,889	\$	1,835	\$	4,789

The following table presents severance and retention cost by reportable segment:

		Three Months Ended				Six Mon	ths En	led
	June 27, 2015 Jun			ne 28, 2014	Jur	ne 27, 2015	Jur	ne 28, 2014
			s)					
Research models and services	\$	80	\$	2,011	\$	999	\$	3,595
Discovery and safety assessment		456		854		475		1,049
Manufacturing support		118		24		295		24
Corporate		51		_		66		121
Total expense	\$	705	\$	2,889	\$	1,835	\$	4,789

4. SUPPLEMENTAL BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

The composition of trade receivables, net is as follows:

	Ju	ne 27, 2015	December 27, 2014			
	(in thousands)					
Client receivables	\$	233,569	\$	219,118		
Unbilled revenue		49,016		43,780		
Total		282,585		262,898		
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts		(5,187)		(4,907)		
Trade receivables, net	\$	277,398	\$	257,991		

The composition of inventories is as follows:

	Jı	une 27, 2015	December 27, 2014
		(in thous	ands)
Raw materials and supplies	\$	13,885 \$	15,416
Work in process		12,023	11,802
Finished products		64,129	61,825
Inventories	\$	90,037 \$	89,043

The composition of other current assets is as follows:

	June 27, 2015	December 27, 2014				
	(in thousands)					
Deferred tax asset	23,058	27,644				
Investments	18,074	16,167				
Prepaid income tax	31,537	26,287				
Restricted cash	100	2,552				
Other	1,684	291				
Other current assets	\$ 74,453	\$ 72,941				

The composition of property, plant and equipment, net is as follows:

	June 27, 2015	December 27, 2014		
	(in tho	usano	ds)	
Land	\$ 42,796	\$	40,314	
Buildings (1)	711,943		682,495	
Machinery and equipment	380,871		384,713	
Leasehold improvements	36,955		37,270	
Furniture and fixtures	21,237		22,577	
Vehicles	4,101		3,967	
Computer hardware and software	122,050		119,474	
Construction in progress	21,844		40,970	
Total	1,341,797		1,331,780	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(661,232)		(654,983)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 680,565	\$	676,797	

⁽¹⁾ The balance as of June 27, 2015 includes capital lease assets. See Note 8, "Long Term Debt and Capital Lease Obligations."

Depreciation expense for both three months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014 was \$17.4 million. Depreciation expense for the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014 was \$34.5 million and \$33.2 million, respectively.

The composition of other assets is as follows:

	Jun	e 27, 2015	Dece	mber 27, 2014	
		(in tho	usands)		
Life insurance policies	28,237				
Investments in limited partnerships	29,141				
Other	5,838				
Other assets	\$	63,216	\$	72,951	

The composition of other current liabilities is as follows:

	Ju	ne 27, 2015	Dec	ember 27, 2014			
		(in thousands)					
Accrued income taxes	\$	10,906	\$	9,362			
Current deferred tax liability		1,302		1,484			
Accrued interest and other		356		233			
Other current liabilities	\$	12,564	\$	11,079			

The composition of other long-term liabilities is as follows:

		June 27, 2015	D	ecember 27, 2014
		(in tho)	
Deferred tax liability	\$	25,550	\$	30,816
Long-term pension liability		40,531		45,135
Accrued executive supplemental life insurance retirement pla	n			
and deferred compensation plan		33,424		33,007
Other long-term liabilities		11,751		21,403
Other long-term liabilities	\$	111,256	\$	130,361

5. INVESTMENTS IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS AND MARKETABLE SECURITIES

Investments in Limited Partnerships

The Company invests in several venture capital limited partnerships that invest in start-up companies primarily in the life sciences industry. The Company's ownership interest in these limited partnerships ranges from 3.8% to 12.0%. The Company accounts for such investments under the equity method of accounting. The Company's total commitment to these entities as of June 27, 2015 is \$65.0 million, of which the Company has funded \$23.5 million through June 27, 2015.

During the three and six months ended June 27, 2015 the Company received dividends totaling \$2.1 million. During the three and six months ended June 28, 2014, the Company received dividends totaling \$0.9 million and \$7.4 million, respectively. The Company recognized a loss of \$0.9 million and a gain of \$2.1 million related to these investments for the three months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively.

Marketable Securities

The following is a summary of the Company's marketable securities, all of which are classified as available-for-sale:

	 June 27, 2015									
	 Amortized Cost Gross Unrealized Gains Gross Unrealized Losses Fair V									
		(in tho	usands)							
Mutual fund	\$ 4,650	\$ —	\$ (89)	\$ 4,561						
Total	\$ 4,650	\$ —	\$ (89)	\$ 4,561						

There were no sales of available-for-sale securities during the six months ended June 27, 2015.

6. FAIR VALUE

The Company has certain financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value which have been classified as Level 1, 2, or 3 within the fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 Fair values are determined utilizing quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the
 ability to access;
- Level 2 Fair values are determined by utilizing quoted prices for identical or similar assets and liabilities in active markets or other market observable inputs such as interest rates, yield curves, and foreign currency spot rates;
- · Level 3 Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

The fair value hierarchy level is determined by asset and liability class based on the lowest level of significant input. The observability of inputs may change for certain assets or liabilities. This condition could cause an asset or liability to be reclassified between levels. The Company recognizes transfers between levels within the fair value hierarchy, if any, at the end of each quarter. During the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, there were no transfers between levels.

Valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured or disclosed at fair value are as follows:

- · Cash equivalents Valued at quoted market prices determined through third-party pricing services.
- Mutual funds Valued at the unadjusted quoted net asset value of shares held by the Company.
- Investments in life insurance policies Valued at cash surrender value based on fair value of underlying investments.
- Redeemable noncontrolling interest Valued primarily using the income approach based on estimated future cash flows of the underlying business based on the Company's projected financial data discounted by a weighted average cost of capital.
- Contingent consideration- Valued based on a probability weighting of the future cash flows associated with the potential outcomes.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

	June 27, 2015							
	Level 1			Level 2	Level 2			Total
				(in tho	usano	ls)		
Cash equivalents	\$	_	\$	129	\$	_	\$	129
Marketable securities		4,561		_		_		4,561
Life insurance policies		_		21,152		_		21,152
Total assets measured at fair value	\$	4,561	\$	21,281	\$	_	\$	25,842
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	\$	_	\$	_	\$	29,976	\$	29,976
Contingent consideration		_		_		2,831		2,831
Total liabilities measured at fair value	\$		\$		\$	32,807	\$	32,807

		December 27, 2014										
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total				
	(in thousands)											
Cash equivalents	\$	_	\$	1,934	\$	_	\$	1,934				
Life insurance policies		_		20,520		_		20,520				
Total assets measured at fair value	\$	_	\$	22,454	\$		\$	22,454				
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	\$	_	\$	_	\$	28,419	\$	28,419				
Contingent consideration		_		_		2,828		2,828				
Total liabilities measured at fair value	\$	_	\$	_	\$	31,247	\$	31,247				

Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest

The Company's redeemable noncontrolling interest resulted from the acquisition of a 75% ownership interest in Vital River. Concurrent with the acquisition, the Company entered into a joint venture agreement with the noncontrolling interest holders that provides the Company with the right to purchase the remaining 25% of the entity for cash at its then appraised value beginning in January 2016. Additionally, the noncontrolling interest holders were granted the right to require the Company to purchase the remaining 25% of the entity at its then appraised value beginning in January 2016 for cash. These rights are accelerated in certain events. As the noncontrolling interest holders can require the Company purchase the remaining 25%

interest, the noncontrolling interest is classified in the mezzanine section of the consolidated balance sheet, which is above the equity section and below liabilities.

The following table provides a rollforward of the fair value of the Company's redeemable noncontrolling interest:

	Six Months Ended							
		June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014				
		(in the	usano	ds)				
Beginning balance	\$	28,419	\$	20,581				
Additions		_		_				
Total gains or losses (realized/unrealized):								
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		364		372				
Foreign currency translation		112		(462)				
Change in fair value, included in additional paid-in capital		1,081		2,992				
Ending balance	\$	29,976	\$	23,483				

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's redeemable noncontrolling interest are the estimated future cash flows based on projected financial data and a discount rate of 19.0%. Significant changes in the timing or amounts of the estimated future cash flows would result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement. Significant increases or decreases in the discount rate would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement, respectively.

Contingent Consideration

The following table provides a rollforward of the contingent consideration related to the acquisitions of Argenta, BioFocus, VivoPath and ChanTest. See Note 2, "Business Acquisitions."

	Six Mon	ths En	ded
	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014
	 (in the	usand	s)
Beginning balance	\$ 2,828	\$	_
Additions	675		2,428
Total gains or losses (realized/unrealized):			
Reversal of previously recorded contingent liability and change in fair value	(672)		(8)
Ending balance	\$ 2,831	\$	2,420

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's contingent consideration are the probabilities of successful achievement of certain financial targets and a discount rate. Significant increases or decreases in any of the probabilities of success would result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement, respectively. Significant increases or decreases in the discount rate would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement, respectively.

Debt Instruments

The book value of the Company's term and revolving loans, which are variable rate loans carried at amortized cost, approximates their fair value based on current market pricing of similar debt. As the fair value is based on significant other observable inputs, including current interest and foreign currency exchange rates, it is deemed to be Level 2.

7. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

The following table provides a rollforward of the Company's goodwill:

			Adjustmo	ents to	Goodwill	
	De	cember 27, 2014	Acquisitions	F	oreign Exchange	June 27, 2015
			(in the	ousands	s)	_
Research Models and Services	\$	59,196	\$ _	\$	(253)	\$ 58,943
Discovery and Safety Assessment		229,302	(624)		(1,533)	227,145
Manufacturing Support		32,579	187		(1,440)	31,326
Total	\$	321,077	\$ (437)	\$	(3,226)	\$ 317,414

Other Intangible Assets, net

The following table displays other intangible assets, net by major class:

				June 27, 2015					D	ecember 27, 2014	
		Accumulated Gross Amortization				Net	Net Gross			Accumulated Amortization	Net
						(in th	ousa	inds)			
Backlog	\$	8,903	\$	(8,538)	\$	365	\$	8,728	\$	(6,636)	\$ 2,092
Client relationships	3	375,465		(219,111)		156,354		379,339		(217,938)	161,401
Trademarks and trade names		6,599		(5,584)		1,015		6,603		(5,314)	1,289
Standard operating procedures		2,303		(1,844)		459		2,309		(1,642)	667
Other identifiable intangible assets		16,408		(5,663)		10,745		16,334		(6,346)	9,988
Total definite-lived intangible assets	4	409,678		(240,740)		168,938		413,313		(237,876)	175,437
Indefinite-lived intangibles assets						3,438					3,438
Total other intangibles assets, net					\$	172,376					\$ 178,875

8. LONG-TERM DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt, net consists of the following:

	June 27, 2015	De	cember 27, 2014
	(in tho	usands)	
Term loans	\$ 400,000	\$	378,000
Revolving credit facility	342,888		375,536
Other long-term debt	 196		214
Total debt	743,084		753,750
Less: current portion of long-term debt	 (15,196)		(31,714)
Long-term debt	727,888		722,036
Debt discount and debt issuance costs (1)	(7,670)		(5,401)
Long-term debt, net	\$ 720,218	\$	716,635

⁽¹⁾ During the three months ended June 27, 2015, the Company adopted ASU 2015-03 and reclassified unamortized debt issuance costs from other assets to long-term debt, net and capital leases. See Note 1, "Basis of Presentation" for further discussion.

In April 2015, the Company amended and restated the \$970M Credit Facility creating a \$1.3 billion facility (\$1.3B Credit Facility) that provides for a \$400.0 million term loan facility and \$900.0 million multi-currency revolving facility. The term loan facility matures in 20 quarterly installments with the last installment due April 22, 2020. The revolving facility matures on April 22, 2020 and requires no scheduled payment before that date.

The interest rates applicable to term loans and revolving loans under our credit agreement are, at our option, equal to either the base rate (which is the higher of (1) the prime rate, (2) the federal funds rate plus 0.5% or (3) the one-month adjusted LIBOR rate) or the adjusted LIBOR rate plus an interest rate margin based upon the our leverage ratio. As of June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the weighted average interest rate on the Company's debt was 1.31% and 1.42%, respectively.

The \$1.3B Credit Facility includes certain customary representations and warranties, events of default, notices of material adverse changes to the Company's business, and negative and affirmative covenants. As of June 27, 2015, the Company was compliant with all covenants.

At June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the Company had \$4.9 million and \$5.0 million in outstanding letters of credit, respectively.

Capital Lease Obligations

The Company acquired a built-to-suit lease as part of its acquisition of Argenta and BioFocus. In accordance with accounting guidance applicable to entities involved with the construction of an asset that will be leased when the construction is completed, the Company was considered the owner, for accounting purposes, of this property during the construction period. Accordingly, the Company recorded an asset and a corresponding financing obligation on its consolidated balance sheet for the amount of total project costs incurred related to the construction in progress for this property through completion of the construction period. Upon completion of the construction, the Company determined that it is no longer considered the owner of the property because it did not have continuing involvement. Consequently, the Company recorded a successful sale leaseback and derecognized the property and the associated financing obligation from the Company's consolidated balance sheet and recorded a capital lease asset and a corresponding liability of \$35.8 million.

The Company's capital lease obligations amounted to \$37.4 million and \$1.0 million at June 27, 2015 and December 27, 2014, respectively.

9. EQUITY

The following table reconciles the numerator and denominator in the computations of basic and diluted earnings per share:

		Three Mo	nths 1	Ended		Six Mon	ths Ended		
	Jun	ne 27, 2015	Jı	ine 28, 2014	Ju	me 27, 2015	Ju	ne 28, 2014	
				usand	ls)				
Numerator:									
Net income from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders	\$	48,516	\$	35,908	\$	80,064	\$	68,410	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(7)		(644)		(14)		(914)	
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	48,509	\$	35,264	\$	80,050	\$	67,496	
Denominator:									
Weighted-average shares outstanding—Basic		46,675		46,942		46,712		47,016	
Effect of dilutive securities:									
Stock options, restricted stock units, performance stock units and contingently issuable restricted stock		875		742		1,006		893	
Weighted-average shares outstanding—Diluted		47,550		47,684		47,718		47,909	

Earnings Per Share

Options to purchase approximately 0.5 million and 0.9 million shares were outstanding at both June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, but were not included in computing diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. Basic weighted average shares outstanding for both the three and six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014

excluded the weighted average impact of approximately 1.1 million and 1.2 million shares, respectively, of non-vested restricted stock and restricted stock units.

Treasury Shares

In July 2010, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a \$500.0 million stock repurchase program, and subsequently approved increases to the stock repurchase program of \$250.0 million in 2010, \$250.0 million in 2013 and \$150.0 million in 2014 for an aggregate authorization of \$1,150.0 million. The Company repurchased approximately 1.2 million shares for \$90.8 million and approximately 1.7 million shares for \$90.3 million in the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively. As of June 27, 2015, the Company had \$87.6 million remaining on the authorized stock repurchase program. The Company's 2007 Incentive Plan permits the netting of common stock upon vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units in order to satisfy individual minimum statutory tax withholding requirements. During the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, the Company acquired approximately 0.1 million shares for \$8.7 million and approximately 0.1 million, respectively.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Changes to each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of income tax, are as follows:

		Foreign Currency Translation and Other	 ension and Other Post- etirement Benefit Plans	Total
			(in thousands)	
December 27, 2014	\$	(19,891)	\$ (54,356)	\$ (74,247)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications		(14,785)	_	(14,785)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other		(2.241)	1.400	(0.51)
comprehensive income (loss)		(2,341)	1,490	 (851)
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	1	(17,126)	1,490	(15,636)
Income tax expense		_	480	480
June 27, 2015	\$	(37,017)	\$ (53,346)	\$ (90,363)

Foreign currency translation and other includes an insignificant amount of unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale marketable securities.

Nonredeemable Noncontrolling Interests

The Company has investments in several entities, whose financial results are consolidated in the Company's financial statements, as it has the ability to exercise control over these entities. The interests of the respective noncontrolling parties in these entities have been recorded as noncontrolling interests. The activity within the nonredeemable noncontrolling interests was insignificant during the three and six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014.

10. INCOME TAXES

The Company's overall effective tax rate for the three months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014 was 18.4% and 27.9%, respectively. The Company's overall effective tax rate was 12.4% and 26.1% for each of the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively. For the three months ended June 27, 2015 the decrease was primarily attributable to a \$1.8 million release of an uncertain tax position resulting from an ability to offset tax on a capital gain from an investment in a limited partnership, the non-taxable bargain purchase gain of \$9.9 million associated with the acquisition of Sunrise, and a prior year discrete tax cost of \$1.4 million related to nondeductible transaction costs. For the six months ended June 27, 2015, the decrease reflects the items above as well as a reduction in unrecognized tax benefits and related interest of \$10.4 million due to the expiration of the statute of limitations associated with preacquisition tax positions on forgiveness of debt.

During the three months ended June 27, 2015, the Company's unrecognized tax benefits decreased by \$0.1 million to \$23.0 million primarily due to the \$1.8 million release resulting from an ability to offset tax on a capital gain from an investment in a limited partnership, offset by the current year reserve associated with Canadian research credits and unfavorable foreign exchange movement. The amount of unrecognized income tax benefits that would impact the effective tax rate decreased by \$0.4 million, to \$20.1 million. The amount of accrued interest on unrecognized tax benefits was \$1.0 million at June 27, 2015.

The Company believes that it is reasonably possible that the unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by up to \$0.2 million over the next twelve-month period, as a result of the settlement of audits.

The Company conducts business in a number of tax jurisdictions. As a result, it is subject to tax audits in jurisdictions including the U.S., U.K., Japan, France, Germany, and Canada. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. and international income tax examinations for years before 2011.

The Company and certain of its subsidiaries are currently under audit by various tax authorities in the U.S., Canada, and France. The Company does not believe that resolution of these controversies will have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

On December 2, 2014, the Quebec government released Information Bulletin 2014-11, which elaborated on a proposed law change to its SR&ED credit that, if passed, would provide a one-time retroactive benefit to operating income in the year of enactment and would provide a corresponding increase to the Company's effective income tax rate. If passed as proposed, the tax law change would also provide an ongoing reduction in benefit to operating income and an additional corresponding increase to the Company's effective income tax rate in the year of enactment and beyond.

In accordance with the Company's policy, the remaining undistributed earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries remain indefinitely reinvested as of the end of the three months ended June 27, 2015 as they are required to fund needs outside the U.S. and cannot be repatriated in a manner that is substantially tax free.

The income tax expense (benefit) related to items of other comprehensive income are as follows:

	Three Months Ended					Six Mon	Ended	
	June	27, 2015	Jun	e 28, 2014	Jun	e 27, 2015	Jun	e 28, 2014
				(in tho	usano	ls)		
Income tax benefit related to foreign currency translation adjustment	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(105)
Income tax expense related to change in unrecognized pension gains, losses and prior service costs		263		129		480		253
Income tax expense related to items of other comprehensive income	\$	263	\$	129	\$	480	\$	148

11. PENSION AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

The following table provides the components of net periodic cost (benefit) for the Company's pension and other post-retirement benefit plans for the three months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014:

	Pensio	n Pl	ans	Other Post-Retirement Benefit Plans						
	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014			
		(in thousands)								
Service cost	\$ 936	\$	843	\$	214	\$	190			
Interest cost	3,070		3,211		266		253			
Expected return on plan assets	(4,382)		(4,277)		_		_			
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	(150)		(159)		_		165			
Amortization of net loss	841		223		70		62			
Net periodic cost (benefit)	\$ 315	\$	(159)	\$	550	\$	670			

The following table provides the components of net periodic cost (benefit) for the Company's pension and other post-retirement benefit plans for the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014:

	Pensio	n Pl	lans	Other Post-Retire	nt Benefit Plans	
	 June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014
			(in thou	usands)		
Service cost	\$ 1,871	\$	1,685	428	\$	379
Interest cost	6,140		6,422	531		505
Expected return on plan assets	(8,764)		(8,555)	_		_
Amortization of prior service cost						
(credit)	(301)		(318)	_		330
Amortization of net loss	1,653		446	138		125
Net periodic cost (benefit)	\$ 599	\$	(320)	\$ 1,097	\$	1,339

12. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company has stock-based compensation plans under which employees and non-employee directors may be granted stock-based awards such as stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance share units (PSUs).

The following table provides stock-based compensation by the financial statement line item in which it is reflected:

	 Three Mo	nths	Ended	 Six Mon	ths E	inded
	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014
			_			
Cost of revenue	\$ 1,788	\$	1,318	\$ 3,289	\$	2,671
Selling, general and administrative	8,411		6,904	16,584		12,210
Stock-based compensation, before income taxes	10,199		8,222	19,873		14,881
Provision for income taxes	(3,619)		(2,964)	(7,004)		(5,328)
Stock-based compensation, net of income tax	\$ 6,580	\$	5,258	\$ 12,869	\$	9,553

During the six months ended June 27, 2015, the Company issued approximately 0.2 million restricted stock units with a per share weighted average grant date fair value of \$76.67, less than 0.1 million shares of restricted stock with a per share weighted average grant date fair value of \$70.29, approximately 0.5 million stock options with a per share weighted average grant date fair value of \$17.27, and approximately 0.2 million PSUs with a per share weighted average grant date fair value of \$87.50. The maximum number of common shares to be issued upon vesting of PSUs granted during the six months ended June 27, 2015 is approximately 0.3 million.

During the three months ended March 28, 2015, the Company modified certain stock-based awards granted in previous years as part of executive retirement transitions. For the stock-based awards granted to employees during the six months ended June 27, 2015 the Company introduced a new retirement provision, which allows for continued vesting of such awards after the employee's retirement if certain eligibility conditions are met. The introduction of the new retirement provision and stock-based award modifications increased the Company's stock-based compensation expense for the six months ended June 27, 2015 by \$2.6 million.

13. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Litigation

Various lawsuits, claims, and proceedings of a nature considered normal to its business are pending against the Company. While the outcome of any of these proceedings cannot be accurately predicted, the Company does not believe the ultimate resolution of any of these existing matters would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business or financial condition.

In May 2013, the Company commenced an investigation into inaccurate billing with respect to certain government contracts. The Company promptly reported these matters to the relevant government contracting officers, the Department of Health and Human Services' Office of the Inspector General, and the Department of Justice, and the Company is cooperating with these agencies to ensure the proper repayment and resolution of this matter. The Company identified approximately \$1.5 million of excess amounts billed on these contracts since January 1, 2007 and reserved such amount. Because of the ongoing discussions with the government and complex nature of this matter, the Company believes that it is reasonably possible that additional losses may be incurred; however, the Company cannot at this time estimate the potential range of loss beyond the current reserve of \$1.5 million.

Lease Commitments

During the six months ended June 27, 2015, the Company entered into new lease agreements or exercised options to extend the lease terms for certain existing leases. As a result, the Company's lease obligations through May 2020 increased by \$10.1 million.

14. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company reports its financial performance in three segments: Research Models and Services, Discovery and Safety Assessment and Manufacturing Support.

The following table presents revenue and other financial information by reportable segment:

		Three Mo	nths	Ended		Six Mon	ths E	Ended
	Jı	une 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014
				(in the	ousai	nds)		
Research Models and Services								
Revenue	\$	120,044	\$	133,120	\$	240,055	\$	265,615
Gross margin		49,707		52,450		95,511		104,097
Operating income		33,461		34,234		62,306		69,678
Depreciation and amortization		5,348		6,559		11,393		13,000
Capital expenditures		6,356		3,319		9,089		7,418
Discovery and Safety Assessment								
Revenue	\$	153,375	\$	142,614	\$	293,387	\$	247,752
Gross margin		49,256		39,457		92,939		65,116
Operating income		28,149		17,798		51,665		29,511
Depreciation and amortization		12,412		12,385		23,551		20,527
Capital expenditures		4,101		3,858		9,479		7,894
Manufacturing Support								
Revenue	\$	66,154	\$	65,445	\$	126,545	\$	127,180
Gross margin		33,820		33,727		63,993		65,234
Operating income		20,431		20,455		37,229		38,871
Depreciation and amortization		3,609		3,484		6,895		7,112
Capital expenditures		1,770		1,717		3,336		3,981

For the three months ended June 27, 2015, reconciliations of segment operating income, depreciation and amortization, and capital expenditures to the respective consolidated amounts are as follows:

		Operatii	ng Inc	ome	Depreciation and Amortization				Capital Expenditures			
	Jur	ne 27, 2015	Ju	June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015 June 28, 2014				une 27, 2015	Jui	ne 28, 2014
						(in the	usand					
Total reportable segments	\$	82,041	\$	72,487	\$	21,369	\$	22,428	\$	12,227	\$	8,894
Unallocated corporate		(26,306)		(21,462)		1,779		1,874		1,681		421
Total consolidated	\$	55,735	\$	51,025	\$	23,148	\$	24,302	\$	13,908	\$	9,315

For the six months ended June 27, 2015, reconciliations of segment operating income, depreciation and amortization, and capital expenditures to the respective consolidated amounts are as follows:

		Operatir	g Inc	ome	Depreciation and Amortization				Capital Expenditures			
	Ju	ne 27, 2015	Ju	June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015 June 28, 2014				une 27, 2015	Ju	ne 28, 2014
						(in the	usan	ds)				
Total reportable segments	\$	151,200	\$	138,060	\$	41,839	\$	40,639	\$	21,904	\$	19,293
Unallocated corporate		(52,460)		(47,329)		3,677		3,713		2,652		1,212
Total consolidated	\$	98,740	\$	90,731	\$	45,516	\$	44,352	\$	24,556	\$	20,505

Revenue for each significant product or service area is as follows:

	 Three Mo	nths	Ended		Six Months Ended						
	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014				
	(in thousands)										
Research models and services	\$ 120,044	\$	133,120	\$	240,055	\$	265,615				
Discovery and safety assessment	153,375		142,614		293,387		247,752				
Endotoxin and Microbial Detection	33,653		33,579		66,479		66,045				
Other manufacturing support	32,501		31,866		60,066		61,135				
Manufacturing support	 66,154		65,445		126,545		127,180				
Total revenue	\$ 339,573	\$	341,179	\$	659,987	\$	640,547				

A summary of unallocated corporate overhead consists of the following:

	 Three Mo	nths	Ended		Six Months Ended				
	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		
			(in the	usar	ıds)				
Stock-based compensation expense	\$ 6,419	\$	4,905	\$	12,699	\$	8,607		
Salary, bonus and fringe	7,234		7,438		17,930		17,705		
Consulting, audit and professional services	3,130		2,437		6,771		5,668		
IT related expenses	1,685		1,323		3,549		2,900		
Depreciation expense	1,779		1,874		3,677		3,713		
Acquisition related adjustments	3,956		1,371		3,594		4,676		
Other general unallocated corporate expenses	2,103		2,114		4,240		4,060		
Total unallocated corporate overhead costs	\$ 26,306	\$	21,462	\$	52,460	\$	47,329		

Other general unallocated corporate expenses consist of various departmental costs including those associated with departments such as senior executives, corporate accounting, legal, tax, human resources, treasury, and investor relations.

15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 24, 2015, the Company acquired Celsis International Ltd. (Celsis), a leading provider of rapid testing systems for non-sterile bacterial contamination for the biopharmaceutical and consumer products industries. The purpose of this acquisition was to expand the portfolio of the Company's Endotoxin and Microbial Detection (EMD) business. The preliminary purchase price for Celsis was \$212.0 million in cash, which is subject to a final net working capital adjustment as of the closing date. The business will be reported in the Company's Manufacturing reportable segment. Due to the limited time between the acquisition date and the filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, it is not practicable for the Company to disclose the preliminary allocation of purchase price to assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying footnotes of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q and our audited consolidated financial statements and related footnotes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014. The following discussion contains forward-looking statements. Actual results may differ significantly from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause future results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those discussed in "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. Certain percentage changes from period over period may not recalculate due to rounding.

Overview

We are a full service, early-stage contract research organization. For nearly 70 years, we have been in the business of providing the research models required in research and development of new drugs, devices, and therapies. Over this time, we have built upon our original core competency laboratory animal medicine and science (research model technologies) to develop a diverse portfolio of discovery and safety assessment services, both Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) and non-GLP that are able to support our clients from target identification through preclinical development. We also provide a suite of products and services to support our clients' manufacturing activities. Utilizing our broad portfolio of products and services enables our clients to create a more flexible drug development model, which reduces their costs, enhances their productivity and effectiveness, and increases speed to market. We currently operate approximately 62 facilities in 17 countries worldwide, which numbers exclude our Insourcing Solutions (IS) sites.

We report our financial performance in three segments: Research Models and Services (RMS), Discovery and Safety Assessment (DSA) and Manufacturing Support (Manufacturing). Our RMS segment includes the Research Models and Research Model Services businesses. Research Models includes the commercial production and sale of small research models, as well as the supply of large research models. Research Model Services includes three business units: Genetically Engineered Model Services, which performs contract breeding and other services associated with genetically engineered models; Research Animal Diagnostic Services, which provides health monitoring and diagnostics services related to research models; and IS, which provides colony management of our clients' research operations (including recruitment, training, staffing and management services). Our DSA segment includes services required to take a drug through the early development process including discovery services, which are non-regulated services to assist clients with the identification, screening and selection of a lead compound for drug development, and regulated and non-regulated safety assessment services. Our Manufacturing segment includes Endotoxin and Microbial Detection (EMD), which includes in vitro (non-animal) lot-release testing products and microbial detection and species identification services, as well as Biologics Testing Services (Biologics), which performs specialized testing of biologics and devices, and Avian Vaccine Services (Avian), which supplies specific-pathogen-free fertile chicken eggs and chickens.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended June 27, 2015 Compared to the Three Months Ended June 28, 2014

Revenue

		Three Mo	nths En	ided								
	Jun	e 27, 2015	Jun	ne 28, 2014	•	\$ Change	% Change	Impact of FX				
		(in millions, except percentages)										
Research models and services	\$	120.0	\$	133.1	\$	(13.1)	(9.8)%	(7.3)%				
Discovery and safety assessment		153.4		142.6	\$	10.8	7.5 %	(3.9)%				
Manufacturing support		66.2		65.5	\$	0.7	1.1 %	(8.7)%				
Total revenue	\$	339.6	\$	341.2	\$	(1.6)	(0.5)%	(6.2)%				

Revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 decreased \$1.6 million, or 0.5%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. Reported revenue decreased by \$20.9 million, or 6.2%, when compared to the prior period, due to negative effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

RMS revenue decreased by \$13.1 million primarily due to lower research models revenue in Europe and Japan and lower research model services revenue, partially offset by an increase of research models revenue in North America.

DSA revenue increased \$10.8 million due to higher revenue in the Safety Assessment business, with study volume, market share gains, and pricing as the primary contributors, as well as an increase in the Discovery Services business, which includes the ChanTest acquisition.

Manufacturing revenue increased \$0.7 million, as higher Avian revenue, which includes the Sunrise acquisition, was offset by lower Biologics revenue.

Cost of Products Sold and Services Provided

	 Three Mo	nths	s Ended							
	June 27, 2015 June 28, 2014				\$ change	% change				
	(in millions, except percentages)									
Research models and services	\$ 70.3	\$	80.7	\$	(10.4)	(12.8)%				
Discovery and safety assessment	104.1		103.1		1.0	0.9 %				
Manufacturing support	32.4		31.7		0.7	1.9 %				
Total cost of products sold and services provided	\$ 206.8	\$	215.5	\$	(8.7)	(4.1)%				

Cost of products sold and services provided (costs) for the three months ended June 27, 2015 decreased \$8.7 million, or 4.1%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. Costs as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 were 60.9%, a decrease of 2.3%, from 63.2% for the corresponding period in 2014.

RMS costs decreased \$10.4 million due primarily to favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and cost savings achieved as a result of our efficiency initiatives, including reduced restructuring costs. RMS costs as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 were 58.6%, a decrease of 2.0%, from 60.6% for the corresponding period in 2014.

DSA costs increased \$1.0 million due to higher Discovery Services costs, primarily as a result of the acquisition of ChanTest, partially offset by favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Safety Assessment costs remained relatively unchanged as higher costs resulting from the growth of the business were offset by favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchanges rates. DSA costs as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 were 67.9%, a decrease of 4.4%, from 72.3% for the corresponding period in 2014.

Manufacturing costs increased \$0.7 million from the corresponding period in 2014. Manufacturing costs as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 were 48.9%, an increase of 0.5%, from 48.4% for the corresponding period in 2014.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

	Three Months Ended									
	Jun	June 27, 2015		June 28, 2014		\$ change	% change			
	(in millions, except percentages)									
Research models and services	\$	15.5	\$	17.6	\$	(2.1)	(12.6)%			
Discovery and safety assessment		17.3		16.8		0.5	3.9 %			
Manufacturing support		12.2		11.9		0.3	2.6 %			
Unallocated corporate		26.3		21.5		4.8	22.6 %			
Total selling, general and administrative	\$	71.3	\$	67.8	\$	3.5	5.3 %			

Selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A) for three months ended June 27, 2015 increased \$3.5 million, or 5.3%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was 21.0%, an increase of 1.1%, from 19.9% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The decrease in RMS SG&A of \$2.1 million was related to a decrease of \$1.0 million in severance expense; a decrease of \$0.7 million in compensation, benefits and other employee-related expenses; a decrease of \$0.2 million in operating expenses, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses; and a decrease of \$0.2 million in other expenses. RMS SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was 12.9%, a decrease of 0.3%, from 13.2% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in DSA SG&A of \$0.5 million was related to an increase of \$1.2 million in in compensation, benefits and other employee related expenses; an increase of \$0.3 million in operating costs, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses and an increase of \$0.3 million in external consulting and other service expenses; partially offset by a decrease of \$0.4 million in severance expense; a decrease of \$0.4 million in bad debt expense and a decrease of \$0.5 million in other expenses. DSA SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was 11.3%, a decrease of 0.5%, from 11.8% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in Manufacturing SG&A of \$0.3 million was related to an increase of \$0.2 million in operating expenses, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses and an increase of \$0.4 million in other expenses; partially offset by a decrease of \$0.3 million in external consulting and other service expenses. Manufacturing SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was 18.5%, an increase of 0.3%, from 18.2% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in corporate SG&A of \$4.8 million was related to an increase of \$2.6 million in costs associated with the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, contingent consideration adjustments and compensation costs related to business acquisitions; an increase of \$1.5 million in stock-based compensation, primarily related to our annual stock-based grants made in March 2015, which include a new retirement vesting provision; an increase of \$0.7 million in external consulting and other service expenses; and an increase of 0.3 million in information technology related expenses; partially offset by a decrease of \$0.3 million in other expenses.

Amortization of Intangible Assets Amortization of intangibles for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was \$5.7 million, a decrease of \$1.2 million, or 16.6%, from \$6.9 million for the three months ended June 28, 2014, due primarily to certain intangibles acquired in connection with the Argenta and BioFocus acquisition becoming fully amortized and the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

Interest Income Interest income, which represents earnings on held cash, cash equivalents, and time deposits, was \$0.3 million for the three months ended June 27, 2015, an increase of \$0.1 million, or 33.8%, compared to \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 28, 2014.

Interest Expense Interest expense for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was \$4.4 million, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 29.7%, compared to \$3.4 million in the three months ended June 28, 2014. The increase was due primarily to the write-off of a portion of debt issuance costs in connection with the modification of our \$970M Credit Facility and interest expense related to new capital leases.

Other Income (Expense), Net Other income (expense), net was a net other income of \$8.7 million for the three months ended June 27, 2015, an increase of \$6.0 million, or 225.2%, compared to a net other income of \$2.7 million for the three months ended June 28, 2014. The increase in other income (expense), net was due mainly to a \$9.9 million gain on the bargain purchase of Sunrise, partially offset by a decrease of \$3.0 million in income from our investments in limited partnerships accounted for under the equity method and other activity of \$0.9 million.

Income Taxes Income tax expense for the three months ended June 27, 2015 was \$11.1 million, a decrease of \$3.0 million compared to \$14.1 million for the three months ended June 28, 2014. Our effective tax rate was 18.4% for the second quarter of 2015, compared to 27.9% for the second quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily attributable to a \$1.8 million release of an uncertain tax position resulting from an ability to offset tax on a capital gain from an investment in a limited partnership, the non-taxable bargain purchase gain of \$9.9 million associated with the acquisition of Sunrise, and a prior year discrete tax cost of \$1.4 million related to nondeductible transaction costs.

Six Months Ended June 27, 2015 Compared to the Six Months Ended June 28, 2014

Revenue

		Six Mon	ths End	led				
	Jun	e 27, 2015	Jui	ne 28, 2014		\$ Change	% Change	Impact of FX
				(in	millio	ns, except percent	ages)	
Research models and services	\$	240.1	\$	265.6	\$	(25.5)	(9.6)%	(7.0)%
Discovery and safety assessment		293.4		247.8		45.6	18.4 %	(3.6)%
Manufacturing support		126.5		127.1		(0.6)	(0.5)%	(8.3)%
Total revenue	\$	660.0	\$	640.5	\$	19.5	3.0 %	(6.0)%

Revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 increased \$19.5 million, or 3.0%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. Reported revenue decreased by \$38.1 million, or 6.0%, when compared to the prior period, due to negative effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

RMS revenue decreased by \$25.5 million due primarily to lower research models revenue in Europe and Japan and lower research model services revenue, partially offset by an increase of research models revenue in North America.

DSA revenue increased \$45.6 million due to an increase in the Discovery Services business, which includes the Argenta, BioFocus and ChanTest acquisitions, as well as higher revenue in the Safety Assessment business, with study volume, market share gains, and pricing as the primary contributors.

Manufacturing revenue decreased \$0.6 million, as lower Biologics revenue was partially offset by higher Avian revenue, which includes the Sunrise acquisition.

Cost of Products Sold and Services Provided

	Six Months Ended									
	June 27, 2015			June 28, 2014		\$ change	% change			
		(in millions, except percentages)								
Research models and services	\$	144.5	\$	161.5	\$	(17.0)	(10.5)%			
Discovery and safety assessment		200.4		182.7		17.7	9.8 %			
Manufacturing support		62.6		61.9		0.7	1.0 %			
Total cost of products sold and services provided	\$	407.5	\$	406.1	\$	1.4	0.4 %			

Costs for the six months ended June 27, 2015 increased \$1.4 million, or 0.4%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. Costs as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 were 61.8%, a decrease of 1.6%, from 63.4% for the corresponding period in 2014.

RMS costs decreased \$17.0 million due primarily to favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and cost savings achieved as a result of our efficiency initiatives, including reduced restructuring costs. RMS costs as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 were 60.2%, a decrease of 0.6%, from 60.8% for the corresponding period in 2014.

DSA costs increased \$17.7 million due primarily to a \$18.3 million increase in Discovery Services costs, which included a higher cost base due to the acquisition of Argenta, BioFocus and ChanTest, partially offset by favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Safety Assessment costs decreased by \$0.6 million as higher costs resulting from the growth of the business were offset by favorable effects of changes in foreign currency exchanges rates. DSA costs as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 were 68.3%, a decrease of 5.4%, from 73.7% for the corresponding period in 2014

Manufacturing costs increased \$0.7 million from the corresponding period in 2014. Manufacturing costs as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 were 49.4%, an increase of 0.7%, from 48.7% for the corresponding period in 2014.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

	Six Months Ended									
	Jı	ıne 27, 2015		June 28, 2014	,	\$ change	% change			
	(in millions, except percentages)									
Research models and services	\$	31.7	\$	32.9	\$	(1.2)	(3.6)%			
Discovery and safety assessment		34.0		28.7		5.3	18.5 %			
Manufacturing support		24.5		23.6		0.9	4.1 %			
Unallocated corporate		52.5		47.3		5.2	10.8 %			
Total selling, general and administrative	\$	142.7	\$	132.5	\$	10.2	7.7 %			

SG&A for the six months ended June 27, 2015 increased \$10.2 million, or 7.7%, compared with the corresponding period in 2014. SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was 21.6%, an increase of 0.9%, from 20.7% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The decrease in RMS SG&A of \$1.2 million was related to a decrease of \$1.2 million in compensation, benefits and other employee-related expenses; a decrease of \$0.5 million in severance expense; a decrease of \$0.4 million in operating expenses, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses; and a decrease of \$0.3 million in external consulting and other service expenses; partially offset by an increase of \$1.2 million in other expenses. RMS SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was 13.2%, an increase of 0.8%, from 12.4% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in DSA SG&A of \$5.3 million was related primarily to an increase of \$3.9 million in compensation, benefits and other employee related expenses; an increase of \$1.0 million in external consulting and other service expenses; and an increase of \$0.8 million in operating costs, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses; partially offset by a decrease of \$0.4 million in severance expense. DSA SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was 11.6%, which represents no change with the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in Manufacturing SG&A of \$0.9 million was related primarily to an increase of \$0.6 million in compensation, benefits and other employee related expenses; an increase of \$0.3 million in operating expenses, including information technology infrastructure and facility expenses and an increase of \$0.3 million in severance expense; partially offset by a decrease \$0.3 million in external consulting and other service expenses. Manufacturing SG&A as a percentage of revenue for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was 19.4%, an increase of 0.8%, from 18.6% for the corresponding period in 2014.

The increase in corporate SG&A of \$5.2 million was related to an increase of \$4.1 million in stock-based compensation, primarily related to our annual stock-based grants made in March 2015, which include a new retirement vesting provision and the modification of certain stock-based awards; an increase of \$1.1 million in external consulting and other service expenses; an increase of \$0.6 million in information technology related expenses; an increase of \$0.2 million in compensation, benefits and other employee related expenses; and an increase of \$0.2 million in other expenses; partially offset by a decrease of \$1.0 million in costs associated with the evaluation and integration of acquisitions, contingent consideration adjustments and compensation costs related to business acquisitions.

Amortization of Intangible Assets Amortization of intangibles for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was \$11.0 million, a decrease of \$0.2 million, or 1.9%, from \$11.2 million for the six months ended June 28, 2014.

Interest Income Interest income, which represents earnings on held cash, cash equivalents, and time deposits, was \$0.6 million for the six months ended June 27, 2015, an increase of \$0.2 million, or 36.1%, compared to \$0.4 million for the six months ended June 28, 2014.

Interest Expense Interest expense for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was \$7.4 million, an increase of \$1.2 million, or 19.9%, compared to \$6.2 million in the six months ended June 28, 2014. The increase was due primarily to the write-off of a portion of debt issuance costs in connection with the modification of our \$970M Credit Facility and interest expense related to new capital leases.

Other Income (Expense), Net Other income (expense), net, was a net other income of \$0.4 million for the six months ended June 27, 2015, a decrease of \$8.1 million, or 95.8%, compared to a net other income of \$8.5 million for the six months ended June 28, 2014. The decrease in other income (expense), net was driven by a decrease of \$10.4 million due to a reversal of the indemnification asset associated with a pre-acquisition tax position and corresponding unrecognized tax benefit and a decrease of \$7.8 million in income from on our investments in limited partnerships accounted for under the equity method; partially offset by a gain of \$9.9 million on the bargain purchase of Sunrise and other activity of \$0.2 million.

Income Taxes Income tax expense for the six months ended June 27, 2015 was \$11.4 million, a decrease of \$13.0 million compared to \$24.4 million for the six months ended June 28, 2014. Our effective tax rate was 12.4% as of the second quarter of 2015, compared to 26.1% as of the second quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily attributable to a reduction in unrecognized tax benefits and related interest of \$10.4 million due to the expiration of the statute of limitations associated with pre-acquisition tax positions on forgiveness of debt, the non-taxable bargain purchase gain of \$9.9 million associated with the acquisition of Sunrise, and a prior year discrete tax cost of \$1.4 million related to nondeductible transaction costs.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We currently require cash to fund our working capital needs, pension obligations, capital expansion, and acquisitions and pay our debt obligations. Our principal sources of liquidity have been our cash flows from operations, supplemented by long-term borrowings. Based on our current business plan, we believe that our existing funds, when combined with cash generated from operations and our access to financing resources, are sufficient to fund our operations for the foreseeable future.

The following table presents our cash and cash equivalents and investments held in the U.S. and by foreign subsidiaries:

	Ju	ne 27, 2015	Dece	mber 27, 2014				
		(in millions)						
Cash and cash equivalents:								
Held in the U.S.	\$	1.1	\$	10.0				
Held outside the US		149.7		150.0				
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$	150.8	\$	160.0				
Investments held in the U.S		4.6		2.8				
Investments held outside the U.S.		13.5		13.4				
Total cash and cash equivalents and investments	\$	168.9	\$	176.2				

Borrowings

In April, 2015, we amended and restated our \$970M Credit Facility creating a \$1.3 billion facility (\$1.3B Credit Facility) that provides for a \$400.0 million term loan facility and \$900.0 million multi-currency revolving facility. The term loan facility matures in 20 quarterly installments with the last installment due April 22, 2020. The revolving facility matures on April 22, 2020 and requires no scheduled payment before that date. The interest rates applicable to term loans and revolving loans under our credit agreement are, at our option, equal to either the base rate (which is the higher of (1) the prime rate, (2) the federal funds rate plus 0.50% or (3) the one-month adjusted LIBOR rate) or the adjusted LIBOR rate plus an interest rate margin based upon the our leverage ratio.

Amounts outstanding under the \$1.3B Credit Facility were as follows:

	June 27, 2015		December 27, 2014	
	(in millions)			
Term loans	\$	400.0	\$	378.0
Revolving credit facility		342.9		375.5
Total	\$	742.9	\$	753.5

Repurchases of Common Stock

In July 2010, our Board of Directors authorized a \$500.0 million stock repurchase program, and subsequently approved increases for an aggregate authorization of \$1,150.0 million. During the six months ended June 27, 2015, we repurchased approximately 1.2 million shares at a cost of \$90.8 million. At June 27, 2015, we had \$87.6 million remaining on the authorized stock repurchase program. Our 2007 Incentive Plan permits the netting of common stock upon vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units in order to satisfy individual minimum statutory tax withholding requirements. During the six months ended June 27, 2015, we acquired approximately 0.1 shares for \$8.7 million.

Cash Flows

The following table presents our net cash provided by operating activities:

	Six Months Ended			
	June 27, 2015			June 28, 2014
	(in millions)			
Income from continuing operations	\$	80.9	\$	69.1
Adjustments to reconcile net income from continuing operations to net cash provided by operating activities		57.4		59.0
Changes in assets and liabilities		(40.7)		(42.7)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	97.6	\$	85.4

Cash flows from operating activities represent the cash receipts and disbursements related to all of our activities other than investing and financing activities. Operating cash flow is derived by adjusting our net income from continuing operations for (1) non-cash operating items such as depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation and gains (losses) on investments in limited partnerships and gains on bargain purchases as well as (2) changes in operating assets and liabilities, which reflect timing differences between the receipt and payment of cash associated with transactions and when they are recognized in our results of operations. For the six months ended June 27, 2015, compared to the six months ended June 28, 2014, the increase in cash provided by operating activities is primarily driven by higher income from continuing operations. Our days sales outstanding, which includes deferred revenue as an offset to accounts receivable in the calculation, was 54 days as of June 27, 2015, compared to 52 days as of December 27, 2014.

The following table presents our net cash used in investing activities:

	Six Months Ended				
	June 27, 2015			June 28, 2014	
	(in millions)				
Acquisition of businesses and assets, net of cash acquired	\$	(10.7)	\$	(183.2)	
Capital expenditures		(24.6)		(20.5)	
Investments, net		(3.8)		3.1	
Other, net		2.6		(1.9)	
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(36.5)	\$	(202.5)	

The primary use of cash in investing activities in the six months ended June 27, 2015 and June 28, 2014 was related to our acquisitions of Argenta and BioFocus in 2014 and Sunrise in 2015 as well as our capital expenditures.

	Six Months Ended			
	June 27, 2015 (in milli			June 28, 2014
)
Proceeds from long-term debt and revolving credit agreement	\$	294.2	\$	237.9
Proceeds from exercises of stock options		35.6		36.5
Payments on long-term debt, capital lease obligation and revolving credit agreement		(301.3)		(98.4)
Purchase of treasury stock		(99.5)		(101.6)
Other, net		7.3		3.8
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$	(63.7)	\$	78.2

For the six months ended June 27, 2015, cash used by financing activities reflected treasury stock purchases of \$99.5 million made primarily pursuant to our authorized stock repurchase program and net debt repayments of \$7.1 million, partially offset by proceeds from exercises of employee stock options of \$35.6 million. For the six months ended June 28, 2014, cash provided by financing activities reflected net debt borrowings of \$139.5 million and proceeds from exercises of employee stock options of \$36.5 million, partially offset by treasury stock purchases of \$101.6 million.

Contractual Commitments and Obligations

The disclosure of our contractual obligations and commitments was reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014. There have been no material changes from the contractual commitments and obligations previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K other than the changes described in Note 13, "Commitments and Contingencies," in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities, that would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements (as that term is defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K) or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. As such, we are not exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in those types of relationships. We include standard indemnification provisions in client contracts, which include standard provisions limiting our liability under such contracts, including our indemnification obligations, with certain exceptions.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our condensed consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (U.S.). The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make certain estimates and assumptions that may affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported periods and related disclosures. These estimates and assumptions are monitored and analyzed by us for changes in facts and circumstances, and material changes in these estimates could occur in the future. We base our estimates on our historical experience, trends in the industry, and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from our estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We believe that our application of the following accounting policies, each of which require significant judgments and estimates on the part of management, is the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results: (1) revenue recognition, (2) income taxes, (3) goodwill and intangible assets, (4) valuation and impairment of long-lived assets, (5) pension and other retiree benefit plans, and (6) stock-based compensation. Our critical accounting policies are described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 27, 2014.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For a discussion of recent accounting pronouncements please refer to Note 1, "Basis of Presentation," in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. We did not adopt any new accounting pronouncements during the six months ended June 27, 2015 that had a material effect on our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates and currency exchange rates, which could affect our future results of operations and financial condition. We manage our exposure to these risks through our regular operating and financing activities.

Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to changes in interest rates while conducting normal business operations as a result of ongoing financing activities. As of June 27, 2015, our debt portfolio was comprised primarily of floating interest rate borrowings. A 100-basis point increase in interest rates would increase our annual pre-tax interest expense by approximately \$13.0 million.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We operate on a global basis and have exposure to some foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations for our financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

While the financial results of our global activities are reported in U.S. dollars, our foreign subsidiaries typically conduct their operations in their respective local currency. Fluctuations in the foreign currency exchange rates of the countries in which we do business will affect our operating results, often in ways that are difficult to predict. In particular, as the U.S. dollar strengthens against other currencies the value of our non-U.S. revenue will decline when reported in U.S. dollars. The impact to net income as a result of a U.S. dollar strengthening will be partially mitigated by the value of non-U.S. expense which will also decline when reported in U.S. dollars. As the U.S. dollar weakens versus other currencies the value of the non-U.S. revenue and expenses will increase when reported in U.S. dollars.

We attempt to minimize this exposure by using certain financial instruments in accordance with our overall risk management and our hedge policy. We do not enter into speculative derivative agreements.

During the six months ended June 27, 2015, we utilized foreign exchange contracts, principally to hedge certain balance sheet exposures resulting from currency fluctuations. No foreign currency contracts were open at June 27, 2015.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Based on their evaluation, required by paragraph (b) of Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15, promulgated by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act, are effective, at a reasonable assurance level to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, as of June 27, 2015. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurances of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in designing and evaluating the controls and procedures. We continually are in the process of further reviewing and documenting our disclosure controls and procedures, and our internal control over financial reporting, and accordingly may, from time to time, make changes aimed at enhancing their effectiveness to ensure that our systems evolve with our business.

(b) Changes in Internal Controls

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of the Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15 that occurred during the quarter ended June 27, 2015 that materially affected, or were reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing us. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results. There have been no material changes to the risk factors set forth in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table provides information relating to the purchases of shares of our common stock during the quarter ended June 27, 2015.

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share		Price Paid Announced Plans		Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (in thousands)	
3/29/2015 to 4/25/2015	190,500	\$	78.43	190,500	\$	113,513	
4/26/2015 to 5/23/2015	277,805	\$	71.76	277,400	\$	93,605	
5/24/2015 to 6/27/2015	82,200	\$	72.73	82,200	\$	87,627	
Total:	550,505			550,100			

In July 2010, our Board of Directors authorized a \$500.0 million stock repurchase program, and subsequently approved increases to the stock repurchase program of \$250.0 million in the fiscal year 2010, \$250.0 million in the fiscal year 2013 and \$150.0 million for the fiscal year 2014 for an aggregate authorization of \$1,150.0 million.

At June 27, 2015, we had \$87.6 million remaining on the authorized stock repurchase program.

Additionally, our incentive plans permit the netting of common stock upon vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units in order to satisfy individual minimum statutory tax withholding requirements.

Item 6. Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

- 10.1 Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. Amendment No. 1 to Sixth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated July 29, 2015. Filed herewith.
- 31.1Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer. Filed herewith.
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer. Filed herewith.
- 32.1Certification of the Principal Executive Officer and the Principal Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) of 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act. Filed herewith.
- 101The following materials from the Form 10-Q for the period ended June 27, 2015 formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language):
 (i) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (vi) related notes to these Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

July 30, 2015 /s/ JAMES C. FOSTER

James C. Foster

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

July 30, 2015 /s/ THOMAS F. ACKERMAN

Thomas F. Ackerman

Corporate Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

CHARLES RIVER LABORATIORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE SIXTH AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

FIRST AMENDMENT (this "Amendment") dated as of July 29, 2015 relating to the Sixth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of April 22, 2015 (as heretofore amended or modified, the "Credit Agreement") among Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the "Parent Borrower"), the Subsidiary Borrowers party thereto, the Lenders party thereto from time to time, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent (in such capacity, the "Administrative Agent") and the other agents party thereto.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Borrowers wish to amend the definition of "Change in Control" in the Credit Agreement with the consent of the Required Lenders to delete the existing clause (b) of such definition in the manner set forth below.

The parties hereto therefore agree as follows:

- Section 1 . Defined Terms. Unless otherwise specifically defined herein, each term used herein that is defined in the Credit Agreement has the meaning assigned to such term in the Credit Agreement.
- **SECTION 2** . *Amendments to Section 1.01 (Defined Terms)*. The Borrowers and the Required Lenders party hereto hereby agree to amend Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement as follows:
 - (a) by deleting clause (b) in the definition of "Change in Control" in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following new clause (b):
 - "(b) the board of directors of Parent Borrower shall cease to consist of a majority of Continuing Directors"; and
 - (b) by inserting the following new defined term:
 - ""Continuing Directors" means the directors of the Parent Borrower on the Sixth Amendment and Restatement Effective Date and each other director, if, in each case, such other director's nomination for election to the board of directors of the Parent Borrower is approved by at least a majority of the then Continuing Directors.""

SECTION 3 Representations of the Borrowers. The Borrowers represent and warrant that:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties made by any Loan Party contained in the Credit Agreement or in the other Loan Documents is true and correct in all material respects (if not qualified as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect) or in any respect (if so qualified) on and as of the Effective Date (as defined below) after giving effect hereto;
- (b) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on and as of the Effective Date after giving effect hereto
- (c) each Loan Party has the corporate power and authority, and the legal right, to make, deliver and perform this Amendment. Each Loan Party has taken all necessary corporate or other action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment. No consent or authorization of, filing with, notice to or other act by or in respect of, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is required in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Amendment, except for such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect or to the extent failure to obtain such authorization or consent or to take such action could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered on behalf of each Loan Party. This Amendment constitutes, and each other Loan Document as modified hereby constitutes, a legal, valid and binding obligation of each Loan Party that is a party hereto or thereto, enforceable against each such Loan Party in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (whether enforcement is sought by proceedings in equity or at law); and
- (d) the execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and

are in full force and effect or those which the failure to obtain or make could not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, (b) will not violate any applicable law or regulation or the charter, by-laws or other organizational documents of any Consolidated Entity or any order or decree of any Governmental Authority binding on or affecting any Consolidated Entity where such violation of such order or decree, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (c) will not violate or result in a default under any indenture, agreement or other instrument binding upon any Consolidated Entity or any of its assets, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by any Consolidated Entity, where such violation or result, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of any Consolidated Entity, except pursuant to the terms of any Loan Document.

- **SECTION 4** . *Conditions*. This Amendment shall become effective as of the first date (the "**Effective Date**") when each of the following conditions shall have been satisfied:
 - (a) the Administrative Agent shall have received from the Required Lenders an executed counterpart hereof or other written confirmation (in form satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) that such party has signed a counterpart hereof;
 - (b) the Administrative Agent shall have received from the Borrowers an executed counterpart hereof or other written confirmation (in form satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) that such party has signed a counterpart hereof; and
 - (c) the Administrative Agent shall have received all fees and other amounts due and payable by the Borrowers on the Effective Date, including, to the extent invoiced, reimbursement or payment of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses required to be reimbursed or paid by the Borrowers (including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Administrative Agent) under the Credit Agreement.
- **SECTION 5** . *Governing Law.* This Amendment shall be governed by and construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- **SECTION 6** . *Counterparts*. This Amendment may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument.
- **SECTION 7** . *Miscellaneous*. This Amendment shall constitute a Loan Document for all purposes of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents. The Borrowers shall pay all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses of the Administrative Agent incurred in connection with the negotiation, preparation and execution of this Amendment and the transactions contemplated hereby (including reasonable fees and expenses of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Name: Thomas F. Ackerman

Title: Corporate Executive Vice President

and CFO

CHARLES RIVER NEDERLAND B.V.

By: /s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Name: Thomas F. Ackerman Title: Attorney-in-fact

CHARLES RIVER UK LIMITED

By: /s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Name: Thomas F. Ackerman

Title: Director

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES JAPAN, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Name: Thomas F. Ackerman

Title: Director

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES LUXEMBOURG S.A.R.L.

By: /s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Name: Thomas F. Ackerman

Title: A Manager

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as a Lender, Issuing Bank, Swingline Lender and as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ D. Scott Farquhar

Name: D. Scott Farquhar Title: Executive Director

J.P. MORGAN EUROPE LIMITED, as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Atlan Kayaalp

Name: Atlan Kayaalp Title: Executive Director

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., TOKYO BRANCH, as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Satushi Yamamoto

Name: Satushi Yamamoto Title: Executive Director

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as a Lender, Issuing Bank and Co-Syndication Agent

By: /s/ Linda Alto

Name: Linda Alto

Title: Senior Vice President

TD BANK, N.A., as a Lender, Issuing Bank and Co-Syndication Agent

By: /s/ Elizabeth Sullivan

Name: Elizabeth Sullivan Title: Senior Vice President

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as a Lender, Issuing Bank and Co-Syndication Agent

By: /s/ Christopher M. Johnson

Name: Christopher M. Johnson Title: Assistant Vice President

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U.S. Bank National Association, as a Lender

By: /s/ Jennifer Hwang

Name: Jennifer Hwang Title: Senior Vice President

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The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd, as a Lender

By: /s/ Teuta Ghilaga

Name: Teuta Ghilaga Title: Director

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Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, as a Lender

By: /s/ David Kee

Name: David Kee Title: Managing Director

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CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002 AND RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

I, James C. Foster, Chief Executive Officer of Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the registrant) certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 27, 2015 of the registrant;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ James C. Foster

James C. Foster

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

Dated: July 30, 2015

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002 AND RULE 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

I, Thomas F. Ackerman, Corporate Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the registrant) certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 27, 2015 of the registrant;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Thomas F. Ackerman

Corporate Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

Dated: July 30, 2015

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 27, 2015 of Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the "Company") as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, James C. Foster, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, and Thomas F. Ackerman, Corporate Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, each hereby certifies, to the best of his knowledge and pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"); and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ James C. Foster

James C. Foster

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

/s/ Thomas F. Ackerman

Thomas F. Ackerman
Corporate Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 30, 2015 Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

Dated: July 30, 2015

This certification shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.