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## Q1 2020 Business Highlights

Diagnostics

- Continued stabilization of business
  - Highest revenue level since Q1-19
  - Dramatic slowing of molecular customer account losses
- Revogene<sup>TM</sup> placements
  - Continued strong customer acceptance
  - Positive feedback on ease-of-use
  - Installations on track with goals
- Blood chemistry products
  - Double-digit revenue growth during the quarter

Life Science

- Revenues impacted by ordering patterns of top IVD manufacturing customers
  - Revenues \$12.6 million
  - Reorganization driving enhanced efficiencies
- Continued rebound for IVD manufacturer orders in China resulting in 70% YOY growth

#### 2020 First Quarter Earnings Summary

(\$000's except Per Share Amounts)

Adjusted (Non-GAAP)	2020	2019	Change
Revenue	\$47,421	\$51,480	-8%
Gross Margin	58%	61%	-3 pts
Operating expenses <sup>1</sup> Ratio	\$20,264	\$20,432	-1%
	43%	40%	+3 pts
Operating income Margin	\$7,176	\$11,140	-36%
	15%	22%	-7 pts
Net earnings	\$4,179	\$8,558	-51%
EPS	\$0.10	\$0.20	-50%

GAAP	2020	2019	Change
Operating expenses	\$22,046	\$21,021	+5%
Operating income Margin	\$5,394	\$10,551	-49%
	11%	20%	-9 pts
Net earnings	\$2,827	\$8,106	-65%
EPS	\$0.07	\$0.19	-63%

#### Highlights

- Diagnostics revenues down 5% despite difficult comparison.
- Life Science revenues down 15%.
- Gross margin affected by H. pylori pricing, Quebec acquisition and Life Science sales volumes.
- Operating expenses include \$1M higher investment in Diagnostics R&D, as well as \$0.9M in incremental purchase accounting amortization.
- GAAP operating expenses reflect \$1.2M charge for the GenePOC earnout obligation.

<sup>1</sup>Includes Corporate segment expenses of \$1.7M and \$2.8M in 2020 and 2019, respectively.

## 2020 Fiscal First Quarter Operating Segment Highlights (\$000's)

Diagnostics (Adjusted Non-GAAP)	2020	2019	Change
Revenue	\$34,791	\$36,665	-5%
Operating income	\$5,724	\$8,786	-35%
% Margin	16.5%	24.0%	-7.5 pts
Revenue by:			
<u>Technology:</u>			
Molecular assays	\$6,887	\$7,231	-5%
Immunoassays & blood chemistry	27,904	29,434	-5%
<u>Disease State:</u>			
GI (Gastrointestinal)	\$16,046	\$18,615	-14%
RI (Respiratory Illnesses)	7,749	7,981	-3%
Blood Chemistry (Lead)	5,150	4,430	+16%
Other	5,846	5,639	+4%

Life Science (Adjusted Non-GAAP)	2020	2019	Change
Revenue	\$12,630	\$14,815	-15%
Operating income	\$3,156	\$5,129	-38%
% Margin	25.0%	34.6%	-9.6 pts
Revenue by:			
<u>Technology:</u>			
Molecular reagents	\$5,357	\$6,615	-19%
Immunological reagents	7,273	8,200	-11%
Region:			
Americas	\$4,019	\$4,521	-11%
EMEA	4,966	7,363	-33%
ROW	3,645	2,931	+24%
China (included in ROW)	1,765	1,038	+70%

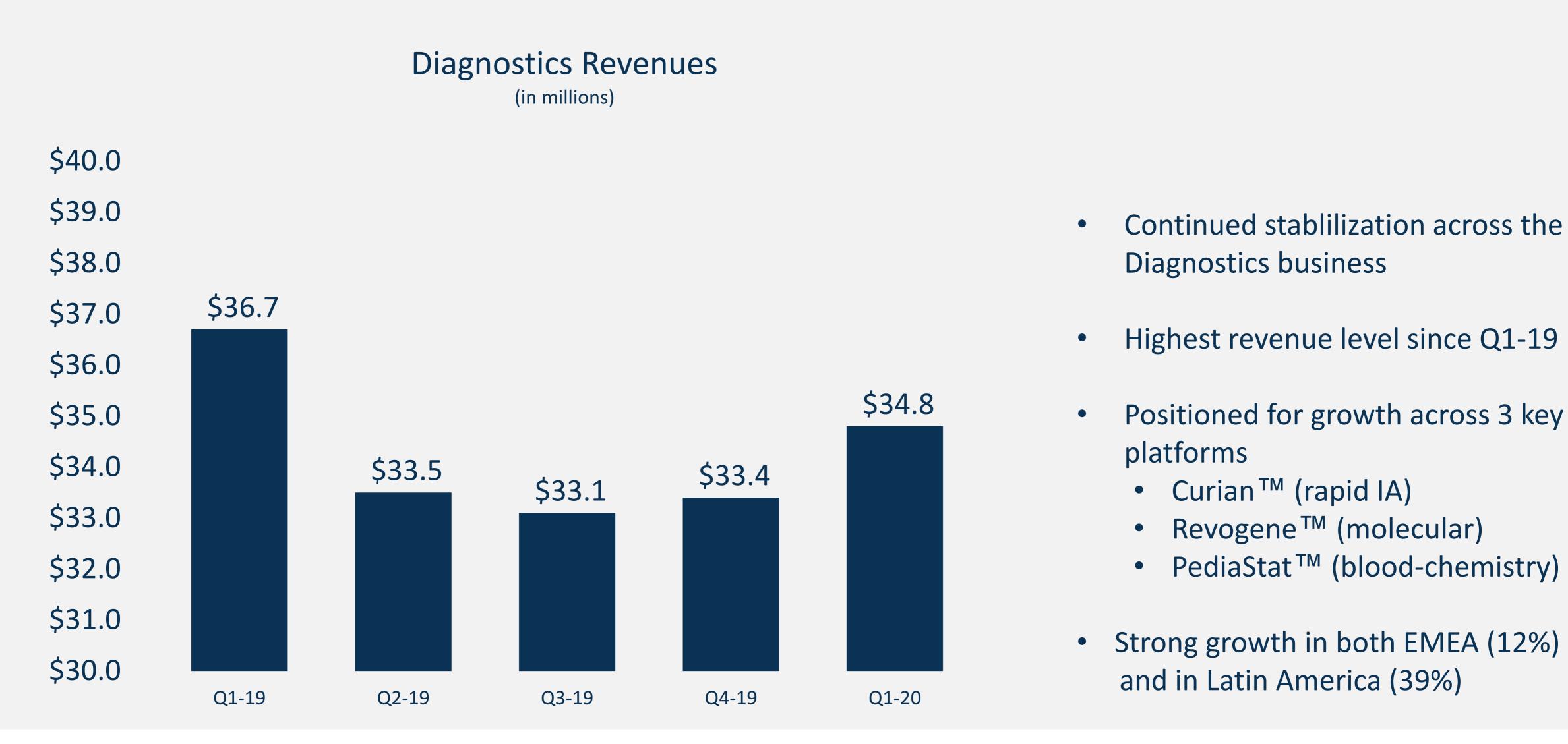
#### **Product/Customer Highlights:**

- Molecular assay losses slowed considerably, down 5% in Q1 versus 20+% in full year 2019.
- Gastro affected by H. pylori pricing and competition in C. difficile and Foodborne assays.
- Respiratory affected by lower volume of flu shipments.
- Blood chemistry delivered a strong quarter after being flat in full year 2019.

#### **Product/Customer Highlights:**

• Light order patterns from selected major IVD customers affected the Americas and EMEA regions.

## Diagnostics Stabilizing



#### Reaffirming 2020 Fiscal Year Guidance



Consolidated net revenues: Flat to Down 3%

**Adjusted operating margin:** 9% to 10%

**Tax rate:** 23.5% to 24.5%

Adjusted earnings per share: \$0.28 to \$0.34

Research and development spend: \$27 to \$28 Million

Diagnostics

**Net revenues:** Down 3% to 5%

Adjusted operating margin: Mid-single-digits



Life Science



Adjusted operating margin: 50 to 100 basis

point improvement over 2019



## Life Science



#### Coronavirus Support

Diagnostic Kit & Reagents



Meridian
Lyo-Ready RT-qPCR
Master Mix



**PRIMERS** 

Sequence specific from Diagnostic Manufacturer



Both are in a

PCR tube

(lyophilized)

Patient Sample

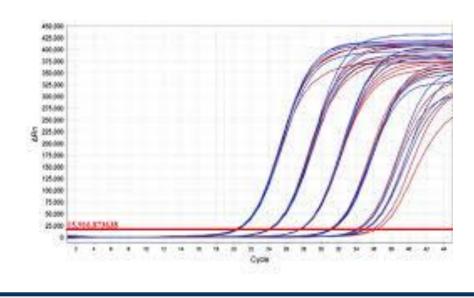


Add upper and lower respiratory sample

Testing & Results

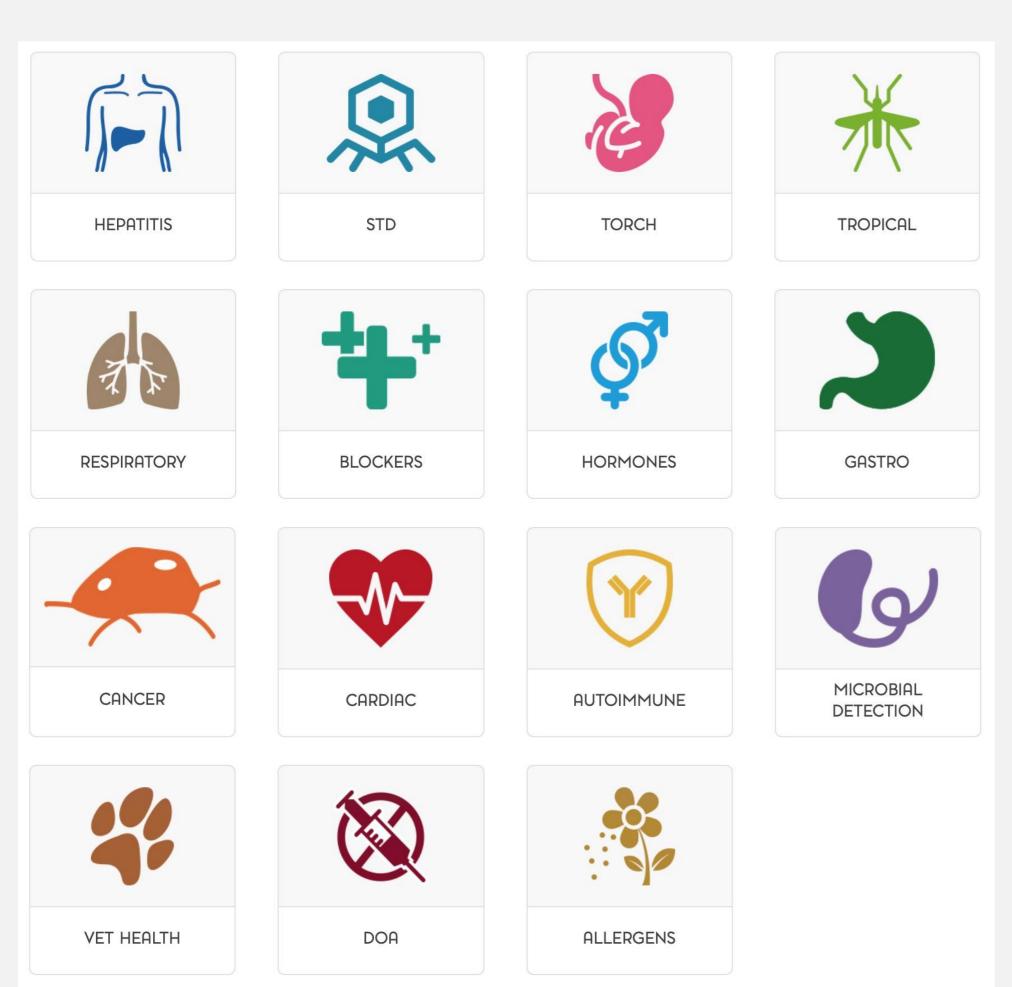


Amplification in thermal cycler & get results

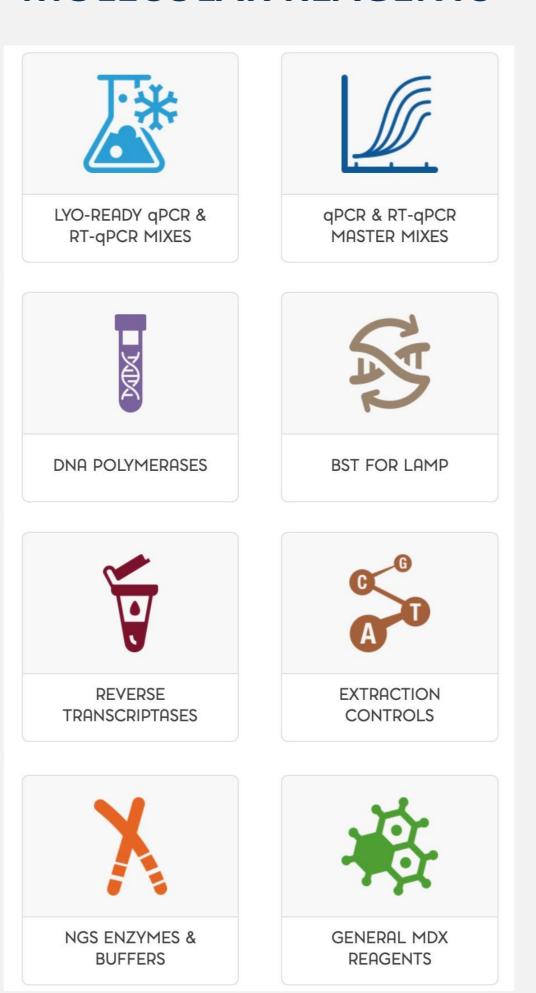


#### Life Science Breadth of Products

#### **ANTIGENS & ANTIBODIES**



#### **MOLECULAR REAGENTS**



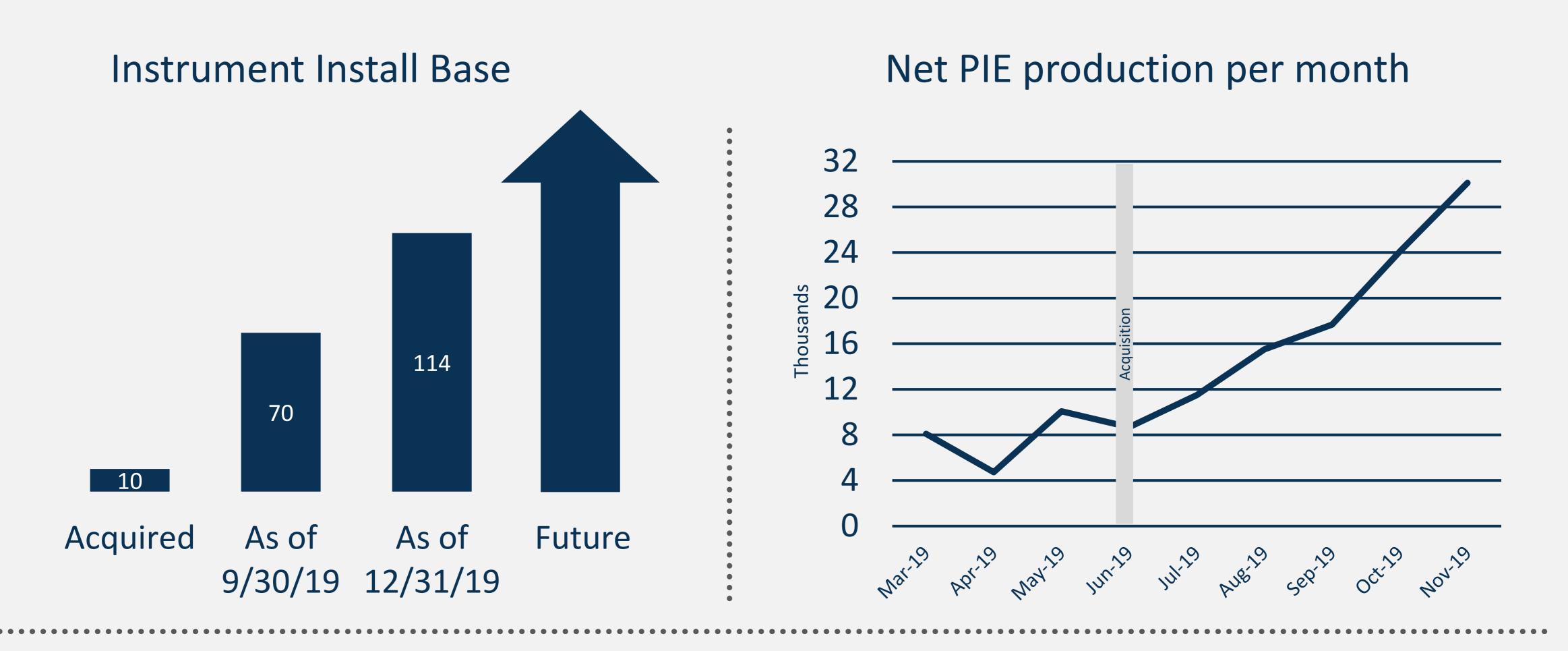
3500+ products >150 diseases

Solutions for human diagnostics, vet health, environmental, food testing, and fraud prevention

# Diagnostics



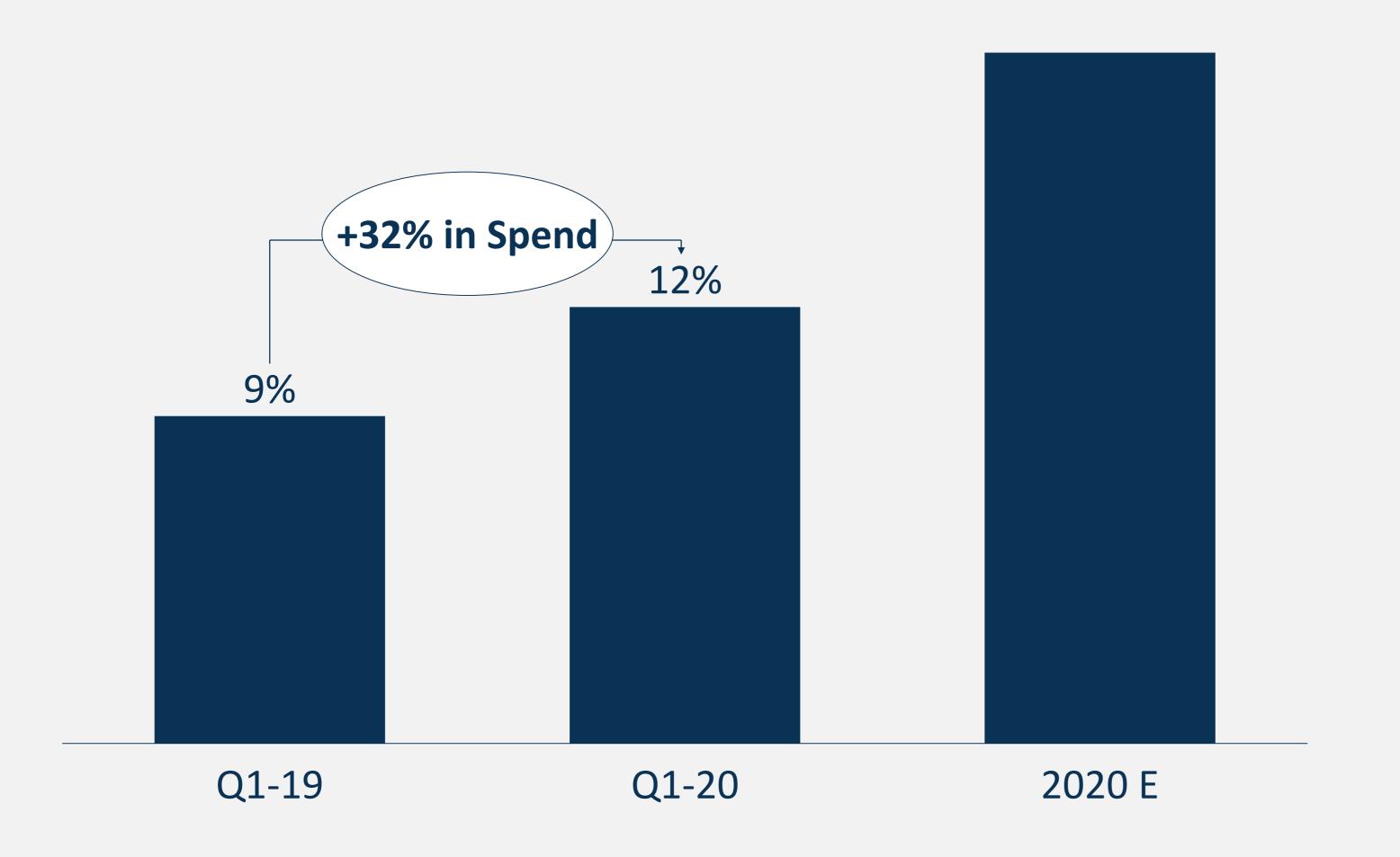
## Revogene<sup>TM</sup> Install Base / Capacity Additions



Actively ramping instrument production to get to capacity of 500+ per year

## Diagnostics: New Product Development

#### R&D Spend as a % of Dx Revenue



#### Highlights

- \$1M increase in R&D spending in Q1-20 compared to Q1-19
- Heavy investment in FY20 and FY21, including clinical trials
- Clinical Trial Activity expected to increase in Q2 and beyond
- R&D programs on 3 key platforms
  - Curian<sup>TM</sup> (rapid IA)
  - Revogene TM (molecular)
  - PediaStat<sup>TM</sup> (blood-chemistry)

## Diagnostics: Clinical Trial Investment

	Platform	2020	2021	
<ul> <li>GI Depth</li> <li>Dual Technology</li> <li>IA + MDx</li> <li>Allows selling across IDNs (small to large)</li> <li>Allows best-in-class technology for each assay (i.e. <i>C. difficile</i>)</li> </ul>	RECEIVED TO THE PROPERTY OF TH	GI Panel RI Panel C. difficile EHEC Campylobacter	Carba (swab) RI Panel	<ul> <li>Dramatic increase in the clinical trial spend over next two fiscal years</li> <li>Multiple products will be in clinical trials over next 24 months (vs. historic level of 1 trial per year)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Pediatric POC</li> <li>Workstation Consolidation</li> <li>Allows for deeper penetration into an underserved POC market</li> <li>Right CLIA-waived menu for the pediatric space</li> </ul>		PediaStat <sup>TM</sup> System Lead assay	Hematocrit Other	Products moving into clinical trials fully aligned with strategic direction

## Questions & Answers

