UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2021

OR

 \square Transition report pursuant to section 13 or 15(d) of the securities exchange act of 1934

Commission File Number: 001-35092

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

02-0478229

5505 Endeavor Lane, Madison WI

53719

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(608) 535-8815 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

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Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Amounts in thousands, except share data - unaudited)

Part I — Financial Information

	March 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,103,816	\$ 1,491,288
Marketable securities	274,151	348,699
Accounts receivable, net	256,135	233,185
Inventory	89,033	92,265
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	52,167	 33,157
Total current assets	1,775,302	 2,198,594
Long-term Assets:		
Property, plant and equipment, net	482,736	451,986
Operating lease right-of-use assets	161,687	125,947
Goodwill	2,183,915	1,237,672
Intangible assets, net	2,073,932	847,123
Other long-term assets, net	56,945	63,770
Total assets	\$ 6,734,517	\$ 4,925,092
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 34,704	\$ 35,709
Accrued liabilities	214,143	233,604
Operating lease liabilities, current portion	15,290	11,483
Debt, current portion	1,319	1,319
Convertible notes, net, current portion	312,832	312,716
Other current liabilities	50,626	38,265
Total current liabilities	628,914	 633,096
Long-term Liabilities:	,	,
Convertible notes, net, less current portion	1,862,992	1,861,685
Long-term debt, less current portion	22,041	22,342
Other long-term liabilities	414,195	51,342
Operating lease liabilities, less current portion	157,380	121,075
Total liabilities	3,085,522	 2,689,540
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)		, ,
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value Authorized—5,000,000 shares issued and outstanding—no shares at March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020	_	_
Common stock, \$0.01 par value Authorized—400,000,000 shares issued and outstanding—171,293,312 and 159,423,410 shares at March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020	1,714	1,595
Additional paid-in capital	5,723,977	4,279,327
Accumulated other comprehensive income	364	526
Accumulated deficit	(2,077,060)	(2,045,896)
Total stockholders' equity	3,648,995	 2,235,552
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 6,734,517	\$ 4,925,092

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Amounts in thousands, except per share data - unaudited)

	Three Months	Ended March 31,
	2021	2020
Revenue	\$ 402,077	\$ 347,821
Operating expenses		
Cost of sales (exclusive of amortization of acquired intangible assets)	109,993	81,606
Research and development	115,567	43,509
Sales and marketing	186,141	167,749
General and administrative	267,727	113,991
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	23,190	23,339
Total operating expenses	702,618	430,194
Loss from operations	(300,541)	(82,373)
Other income (expense)		
Investment income, net	31,188	97
Interest expense	(4,616)	(54,604)
Total other income (expense)	26,572	
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Net loss before tax	(273,969)	(136,880)
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Income tax benefit	242,805	2,237
meome tax benefit	242,003	2,231
AT . 1	\$ (31,164)	(124 642)
Net loss	\$ (31,164)	\$ (134,643)
Net loss per share—basic and diluted	\$ (0.18)	\$ (0.91)
Weighted average common shares outstanding—basic and diluted	169,434	148,151

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION sed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Los

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss (Amounts in thousands - unaudited)

	Three Mont	Three Months Ended March				
	2021		2020			
Net loss	\$ (31,16	4) \$	(134,643)			
Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax:						
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale investments	(33	2)	(1,642)			
Foreign currency adjustment	-	_	25			
Comprehensive loss, before tax	(31,49	6)	(136,260)			
Income tax expense related to items of other comprehensive loss	17	0	_			
Comprehensive loss, net of tax	\$ (31,32	6) \$	(136,260)			

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (Amounts in thousands, except share data - unaudited)

	Common	Stock	Additional	Other		Total
	Number of Shares	\$0.01 Par Value	Paid-In Capital	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Accumulated Deficit	Stockholders' Equity
Balance, January 1, 2021	159,423,410	\$ 1,595	\$ 4,279,327	\$ 526	\$ (2,045,896)	\$ 2,235,552
Settlement of convertible notes, net of tax	344	_	26	_		26
Exercise of common stock options	967,107	10	8,749	_	_	8,759
Issuance of common stock to fund the Company's 2020 401(k) match	162,606	2	22,932	_	_	22,934
Compensation expense related to issuance of stock options and restricted stock awards	1,355,435	13	158,239	_	_	158,252
Issuance of common stock for business combination and asset acquisition	9,384,410	94	1,254,704	_	_	1,254,798
Net loss	_	_	_	_	(31,164)	(31,164)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	(162)	_	(162)
Balance, March 31, 2021	171,293,312	\$ 1,714	\$ 5,723,977	\$ 364	\$ (2,077,060)	\$ 3,648,995

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

	Common Stock			Common Stock			Common Stock			Additional	Other			Total																																																																												
	Number of Shares	\$0.01 Par Value																																																																																				Paid-In Capital	nprehensive come (Loss)	Accumulated Deficit	Stoc	kholders' Equity
Balance, January 1, 2020	147,625,696	\$	1,477	\$ 3,178,552	\$ (100)	\$ (1,222,381)	\$ 1	1,957,548																																																																																		
Exercise of common stock options	160,286		2	4,298	_			4,300																																																																																		
Issuance of common stock to fund the Company's 2019 401(k) match	136,559		1	12,006	_	_		12,007																																																																																		
Compensation expense related to issuance of stock options and restricted stock awards	1,141,376		11	29,549	_	_		29,560																																																																																		
Issuance of common stock for business combinations	382,947		4	28,593	_	_		28,597																																																																																		
Net loss	_		_	_	_	(134,643)		(134,643)																																																																																		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	_		_	_	(1,617)	_		(1,617)																																																																																		
Balance, March 31, 2020	149,446,864	\$	1,495	\$ 3,252,998	\$ (1,717)	\$ (1,357,024)	\$ 1	1,895,752																																																																																		

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Amounts in thousands - unaudited)

		Three Months E	Inded N	
		2021		2020
Cash flows from operating activities:	_			
Net loss	\$	(31,164)	\$	(134,643)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		20,508		16,006
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		337		272
Unrealized gain on equity investments		(7)		669
Deferred tax benefit		(243,130)		(2,423)
Stock-based compensation		77,292		29,560
Post-combination expense for acceleration of unvested equity		80,960		_
Realized gain on preferred stock investment		(30,500)		_
Loss on settlement of convertible notes		_		50,819
Amortization of deferred financing costs, convertible note debt discount and issuance costs, and oth	er liabilities	1,633		(64)
Amortization of premium on short-term investments		439		53
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		23,190		23,339
Asset acquisition IPR&D expense		52,263		_
Remeasurement of contingent consideration		2,879		_
Non-cash lease expense		5,740		3,329
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable, net		(22,950)		(6,322)
Inventory, net		3,232		(7,469)
Operating lease liabilities		(3,120)		(1,942)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(15,862)		(18,296)
Other assets and liabilities		1,033		(2,715)
Net cash used in operating activities		(77,227)		(49,827)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of marketable securities		(162,498)		(425,168)
Maturities and sales of marketable securities		236,295		39,143
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(12,920)		(13,048)
Business combination, net of cash acquired		(343,248)		(6,807)
Asset acquisition		(25,000)		_
Investments in privately held companies		(10,000)		_
Other investing activities		(141)		33
Net cash used in investing activities		(317,512)		(405,847)
Cash flows from financing activities:		(()
Proceeds from issuance of convertible notes, net		_		1,125,547
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options		8,759		4,300
Payments on settlement of convertible notes		-		(150,054)
Other financing activities		(1,514)		(313)
Net cash provided by financing activities		7,245		979,480
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(387,494)		523,806
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		1,491,594		177,528
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Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	1,104,100	\$	701,334

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Amounts in thousands - unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,			March 31,
		2021		2020
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities				
Property, plant and equipment acquired but not paid	\$	8,697	\$	13,631
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale investments, before tax	\$	(332)	\$	(1,642)
Issuance of 162,606 and 136,559 shares of common stock to fund the Company's 401(k) matching contribution for 2020 and 2019, respectively	\$	22,934	\$	12,007
Issuance of 9,384,410 and 382,947 shares of common stock for business combinations and asset acquisition for 2021 and 2020, respectively	\$	1,254,798	\$	28,597
Business combination contingent consideration liability	\$	331,348	\$	_
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:				
Interest paid	\$	5,274	\$	3,725

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Business

Exact Sciences Corporation (together with its subsidiaries, "Exact," or the "Company") was incorporated in February 1995. Exact is a leading global cancer diagnostics company. It has developed some of the most impactful brands in cancer screening and diagnostics, including Cologuard® and Oncotype DX®. Exact is currently working on the development of additional tests, with the goal of bringing new, innovative cancer tests to patients throughout the world.

Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements, which include the accounts of Exact Sciences Corporation and those of its wholly owned subsidiaries and variable interest entities, are unaudited and have been prepared on a basis substantially consistent with the Company's audited financial statements and notes as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K (the "2020 Form 10-K"). All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated upon consolidation. These condensed consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and follow the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for interim reporting. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting only of adjustments of a normal and recurring nature) considered necessary for a fair statement of its financial position, operating results and cash flows for the periods presented. The condensed consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2020 has been derived from audited financial statements, but does not contain all of the footnote disclosures from the 2020 Form 10-K. The results of the Company's operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results of the Company's operations for any other interim period or for a full fiscal year. The statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and related notes included in the 2020 Form 10-K.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Critical accounting policies are those that affect the Company's financial statements materially and involve difficult, subjective or complex judgments by management, and actual results could differ from those estimates. These estimates include revenue recognition, valuation of intangible assets and goodwill, and accounting for income taxes among others. The Company's critical accounting policies and estimates are explained further in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements in this Quarterly Report and the 2020 Form 10-K.

The spread of the coronavirus ("COVID-19") has affected many segments of the global economy, including the cancer screening and diagnostics industry. The Company assessed certain accounting matters that generally require consideration of forecasted financial information in context with the information reasonably available to the Company and the unknown future impacts of COVID-19 as of March 31, 2021 and through the date of the filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. The accounting matters assessed included, but were not limited to, the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts and credit losses, equity investments, software, and the carrying value of the goodwill and other long-lived assets. The Company's future assessment of the magnitude and duration of COVID-19, as well as other factors, could result in additional material impacts to the Company's consolidated financial statements in future reporting periods.

The pandemic and related precautionary measures began to materially disrupt the Company's operations in March 2020 and may continue to disrupt the business for an unknown period of time. As a result, the pandemic impacted the Company's revenues and operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2021

The ultimate impact of COVID-19 depends on factors beyond the Company's knowledge or control, including the duration and severity of the outbreak, as well as third-party actions taken to contain its spread and mitigate its public health effects. As a result, the Company is unable to estimate the extent to which COVID-19 will negatively impact its financial results or liquidity.

Significant Accounting Policies

During the first quarter of 2021, there were no changes to the Company's significant accounting policies as described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, except as described in the Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements section below.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation in the condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In August 2020, The Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2020-06, *Debt – Debt with Conversion and Other Options (subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging – Contracts in Entity's Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40)*. This update simplifies the accounting for convertible debt instruments by removing the beneficial conversion and cash conversion separation models for convertible instruments. Under the update, the embedded conversion features are no longer separated from the host contract for convertible instruments with conversion features that are not required to be accounted for as derivatives or that do not result in substantial premiums accounted for as paid-in capital. The update also amends the accounting for certain contracts in an entity's own equity that are currently accounted for as derivatives because of specific settlement provisions. In addition, ASU 2020-06 requires the application of the if-converted method for calculating diluted earnings per share and the treasury stock method will no longer be available. This standard may be adopted through either a modified retrospective method of transition or a full retrospective method of transition. The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, but no earlier than fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020.

The Company adopted the standard on January 1, 2021 through application of the full retrospective method of transition. This method of adoption was applied to enhance comparability between the periods presented in the Company's financial statements. The Company applied the standard to convertible notes outstanding as of the date of the first offering of the Company's outstanding convertible notes as discussed in Note 9.

The Company's convertible debt instruments will be accounted for as a single liability measured at its amortized cost. The notes are no longer bifurcated between debt and equity, rather accounted for entirely as debt at face value net of any discount or premium and issuance costs. Interest expense is comprised of (1) cash interest payments, (2) amortization of any debt discounts or premiums based on the original offering, and (3) amortization of any debt issuance costs. Gain or loss on extinguishment of convertible notes is calculated as the difference between the (i) fair value of the consideration transferred and (ii) the sum of the carrying value of the debt at the time of repurchase.

As of January 1, 2019, the cumulative effect of adoption resulted in a decrease in additional-paid-in-capital of \$260.2 million, a decrease in accumulated deficit of \$26.6 million, and an increase to net deferred tax assets of \$55.7 million offset by a corresponding increase of \$55.7 million in the valuation allowance. As of January 1, 2020, the cumulative effect of adoption resulted in a decrease in additional-paid-in-capital of \$227.8 million, an increase in accumulated deficit of \$102.6 million, and an increase to the net deferred tax assets of \$83.2 million offset by a corresponding increase of \$74.7 million in the valuation allowance resulting in a net decrease of \$8.5 million in recorded deferred tax liabilities. As of December 31, 2020, the cumulative effect of adoption resulted in an increase in the net carrying amount of convertible notes, net, current portion of \$57.3 million and convertible notes, net, less current portion of \$540.9 million, a decrease in additional-paid-in-capital of \$510.3 million and other long-term liabilities of \$10.2 million, an increase in accumulated deficit of \$77.7 million, and an increase to net deferred tax assets of \$146.0 million offset by a corresponding increase of \$13.8 million in the valuation allowance resulting in a net decrease of \$10.2 million in recorded deferred tax liabilities. For the three months ended March 31, 2020, interest expense in the condensed consolidated statement of operations increased by \$29.4 million as a result of a decrease in cash interest and amortization of debt discounts, premiums, and issuance costs of \$13.4 million, which was offset by an increase in loss on extinguishment of \$42.8 million in connection with the extinguishment of \$100.0 million face value of 2025 Notes, income tax benefit increased by \$0.5 million and net loss per share, basic and diluted, reported for the three months ended March 31, 2020 increased by \$0.20 per share.

Net Loss Per Share

Basic net loss per common share was determined by dividing net loss applicable to common stockholders by the weighted average common shares outstanding during the period. Basic and diluted net loss per share is the same because all outstanding common stock equivalents have been excluded, as they are anti-dilutive as a result of the Company's losses.

The following potentially issuable common shares were not included in the computation of diluted net loss per share because they would have an anti-dilutive effect due to net losses for each period:

	March 31,			
(In thousands)	2021	2020		
Shares issuable in connection with acquisitions	157	157		
Shares issuable upon exercise of stock options	2,633	2,841		
Shares issuable upon the release of restricted stock awards	4,433	4,224		
Shares issuable upon the release of performance share units	846	599		
Shares issuable upon conversion of convertible notes	20,309	20,309		
	28,378	28,130		

(2) REVENUE

The Company's revenue is primarily generated by its laboratory testing services utilizing its Cologuard, Oncotype DX, and COVID-19 tests. The services are completed upon release of a patient's test result to the ordering healthcare provider.

Disaggregation of Revenue

The following table presents the Company's revenues disaggregated by revenue source:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
(In thousands)		2021		2020
Screening				
Medicare Parts B & C	\$	101,559	\$	98,159
Commercial		127,874		109,369
Other		10,895		11,924
Total Screening		240,328		219,452
Precision Oncology				
Medicare Parts B & C	\$	43,116	\$	47,034
Commercial		53,255		54,416
International		26,056		20,936
Other		6,980		5,983
Total Precision Oncology		129,407		128,369
COVID-19 Testing	\$	32,342	\$	
Total	\$	402,077	\$	347,821

Screening revenue primarily includes laboratory service revenue from the Cologuard test while Precision Oncology revenue primarily includes laboratory service revenue from global Oncotype DX products.

Revenue recognized from changes in transaction prices was \$1.7 million and \$5.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Deferred revenue balances are reported in other current liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets and were \$39.8 million and \$25.0 million as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively. As of March 31, 2021, \$38.5 million of the Company's deferred revenue balance is a result of the billing terms pursuant to the existing COVID-19 laboratory service agreements ("LSAs") with customers.

Revenue recognized for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, which was included in the deferred revenue balance at the beginning of each period was \$14.0 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. Of the \$14.0 million of revenue recognized for the three months ended March 31, 2021, which was included in the deferred revenue balance at the beginning of the period, \$13.8 million related to COVID-19 testing.

(3) MARKETABLE SECURITIES

The following table sets forth the Company's cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, and marketable securities at March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020:

(In thousands)	March 31, 2021		December 31, 2020
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash			
Cash and money market	\$ 770,267	\$	901,294
Cash equivalents	333,549		589,994
Restricted cash	284		306
Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	1,104,100		1,491,594
Marketable securities			
Available-for-sale debt securities	274,151		347,178
Equity securities	_		1,521
Total marketable securities	274,151		348,699
Total cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and marketable securities	\$ 1,378,251	\$	1,840,293

Available-for-sale debt securities at March 31, 2021 consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	Amor	tized Cost	Gains in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (1)		osses in Accumulated other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (1)		Estimated Fair Value
Cash equivalents	Ainoi	tizcu Cost	meome (Eoss) (1)		meome (Loss) (1)	_	value
U.S. government agency securities	\$	318,194	\$ 5	\$	_	\$	318,199
Certificates of deposit		15,350	_		_		15,350
Total cash equivalents		333,544	5		_		333,549
Marketable securities							
Corporate bonds		143,885	337		(21)		144,201
U.S. government agency securities		7,105	36		_		7,141
Certificates of deposit		90,360	2		(3)		90,359
Commercial paper		27,992	1		(1)		27,992
Asset backed securities		4,450	8		_		4,458
Total marketable securities		273,792	384		(25)		274,151
Total available-for-sale securities	\$	607,336	\$ 389	\$	(25)	\$	607,700

⁽¹⁾ Gains and losses in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI") are reported before tax impact.

Available-for-sale debt securities at December 31, 2020 consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	Amor	tized Cost	Gains in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (1)	 Losses in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (1)	F	Estimated Fair Value
Cash equivalents						
U.S. government agency securities	\$	589,986	\$ 8	\$ 	\$	589,994
Total cash equivalents		589,986	 8	_		589,994
Marketable securities						
U.S. government agency securities		207,119	52	_		207,171
Asset backed securities		7,070	24	_		7,094
Corporate bonds		132,301	612	_		132,913
Total marketable securities		346,490	688	_		347,178
Total available-for-sale securities	\$	936,476	\$ 696	\$ 	\$	937,172

⁽¹⁾ Gains and losses in AOCI are reported before tax impact.

The following table summarizes contractual underlying maturities of the Company's available-for-sale debt securities at March 31, 2021:

	Due one year or less				Due after one year through four years			
(In thousands)		Cost		Fair Value	Cost			Fair Value
Cash equivalents								
U.S. government agency securities	\$	318,194	\$	318,199	\$	_	\$	_
Certificates of deposit		15,350		15,350		_		_
Total cash equivalents		333,544		333,549		_		_
Marketable securities								
U.S. government agency securities		7,105		7,141		_		_
Corporate bonds		119,523		119,857		24,362		24,344
Certificates of deposit		90,360		90,359		_		<u>—</u>
Asset backed securities		_		_		4,450		4,458
Commercial paper		27,992		27,992		_		_
Total marketable securities		244,980		245,349		28,812		28,802
Total	\$	578,524	\$	578,898	\$	28,812	\$	28,802

The following table summarizes the gross unrealized losses and fair values of available-for-sale debt securities in an unrealized loss position as of March 31, 2021, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position:

		Less than one year			One year or greater				Total			
(In thousands) Cash equivalents	Fa	ir Value	Gro	ss Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Gro	oss Unrealized Loss		Fair Value	Gros	s Unrealized Loss	
Certificates of deposit	\$	11,000	\$	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$	11,000	\$	_	
Total cash equivalents		11,000		_	_		_		11,000		_	
Marketable securities												
Corporate bonds		53,635		(21)	_		_		53,635		(21)	
Certificates of deposit		32,347		(3)	_		_		32,347		(3)	
Commercial paper		9,999		(1)	_		_		9,999		(1)	
Total marketable securities		95,981		(25)					95,981		(25)	
Total available-for-sale securities	\$	106,981	\$	(25)	\$ _	\$	_	\$	106,981	\$	(25)	

The Company evaluates investments, including investments in privately-held companies, that are in an unrealized loss position for impairment as a result of credit loss. It was determined that no credit losses exist as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 because the change in market value for those securities in an unrealized loss position has resulted from fluctuating interest rates rather than a deterioration of the credit worthiness of the issuers. The realized gain recorded on available-for-sale debt securities was not material to the condensed consolidated statements of income for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020.

The Company recorded a loss of \$16,000 and \$0.7 million from its equity securities for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The gains and losses recorded are included in investment income, net in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

(4) INVENTORY

Inventory consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	ch 31,)21	December 31, 2020
Raw materials	\$ 40,858	\$ 43,083
Semi-finished and finished goods	48,175	49,182
Total inventory	\$ 89,033	\$ 92,265

(5) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

(In thousands)	Estimated Useful Life	March 31, 2021		I	December 31, 2020
Property, plant and equipment					
Land	n/a	\$	4,466	\$	4,466
Leasehold and building improvements	(1)		138,342		117,865
Land improvements	15 years		4,910		4,864
Buildings	30 - 40 years		200,997		200,980
Computer equipment and computer software	3 years		84,902		75,417
Laboratory equipment	3 - 10 years		156,001		142,110
Furniture and fixtures	3 - 10 years		26,810		24,968
Assets under construction	n/a		22,948		18,854
Property, plant and equipment, at cost			639,376		589,524
Accumulated depreciation			(156,640)		(137,538)
Property, plant and equipment, net		\$	482,736	\$	451,986

⁽¹⁾ Lesser of remaining lease term, building life, or estimated useful life.

Depreciation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$20.5 million and \$16.0 million, respectively.

At March 31, 2021, the Company had \$22.9 million of assets under construction which consisted of \$7.4 million in laboratory equipment, \$8.9 million related to building and leasehold improvements, and \$6.6 million in capitalized costs related to software projects. Depreciation will begin on these assets once they are placed into service upon completion in 2021 and 2022.

(6) INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL

Intangible Assets

The following table summarizes the net-book-value and estimated remaining life of the Company's intangible assets as of March 31, 2021:

(In thousands) Finite-lived intangible assets	Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)	Cost		_	Accumulated Amortization		Net Balance at March 31, 2021
Trade name	14.6	\$	100,700	\$	(8,832)	\$	91,868
Customer relationships	12.5		2,700		(449)		2,251
Patents	3.5		10,441		(5,758)		4,683
Acquired developed technology	8.7		814,171		(113,525)		700,646
Supply agreements	6.2		30,000		(5,516)		24,484
Total finite-lived intangible assets			958,012		(134,080)		823,932
In-process research and development	n/a		1,250,000		_		1,250,000
Total intangible assets		\$	2,208,012	\$	(134,080)	\$	2,073,932

The following table summarizes the net-book-value and estimated remaining life of the Company's intangible assets as of December 31, 2020:

(In thousands) Finite-lived intangible assets	Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)	Cost		Accumulated Amortization		Net Balance at December 31, 2020	
Trade name	14.9	\$	100,700	\$	(7,258)	\$	93,442
Customer relationships	12.8		2,700		(404)		2,296
Patents	3.7		10,441		(5,422)		5,019
Acquired developed technology	9.0		814,171		(93,278)		720,893
Supply agreements	6.5		30,000		(4,527)		25,473
Total intangible assets		\$	958,012	\$	(110,889)	\$	847,123

As of March 31, 2021, the estimated future amortization expense associated with the Company's finite-lived intangible assets for each of the five succeeding fiscal years is as follows:

(In thousands)	
2021	\$ 69,572
2022	92,758
2023	92,755
2024	92,421
2025	91,373
Thereafter	385,053
	\$ 823,932

The Company's acquired intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life.

There were no impairment losses for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020.

Goodwill

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill for the periods ended March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 is as follows:

(In thousands)

(In thousands)	
Balance, January 1, 2020	\$ 1,203,197
Paradigm & Viomics acquisition	30,431
Genomic Health acquisition adjustment (1)	4,044
Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 1,237,672
Thrive acquisition	946,243
Balance, March 31, 2021	\$ 2,183,915

⁽¹⁾ The Company recognized a measurement period adjustment to goodwill related to an increase in Genomic Health's pre-acquisition deferred tax liability due to finalization of certain income-tax related items.

There were no impairment losses for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020.

(7) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy established are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access as of the reporting date.

 Active markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur in sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.
- Level 2 Pricing inputs other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that reflect the Company's assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs shall be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

The following table presents the Company's fair value measurements as of March 31, 2021 along with the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements, in their entirety, fall.

(In thousands)	Fair Value at March 31, 2021		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash							
Cash and money market	\$	770,267	\$ 770,267	\$	_	\$	
U.S. government agency securities		318,199	_		318,199		_
Certificates of deposit		15,350	_		15,350		
Restricted cash		284	284		_		_
Marketable securities							
Corporate bonds		144,201	_		144,201		_
Certificates of deposit		90,359	_		90,359		_
Commercial paper		27,992	_		27,992		_
U.S. government agency securities		7,141	_		7,141		_
Asset backed securities		4,458	_		4,458		_
Liabilities							
Contingent consideration		(336,540)	_		_		(336,540)
Total	\$	1,041,711	\$ 770,551	\$	607,700	\$	(336,540)

The following table presents the Company's fair value measurements as of December 31, 2020 along with the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements, in their entirety, fall.

(In thousands)	Fair Value at December 31, 2020			Quoted Prices in Active Markets for (dentical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Cash and cash equivalents						
Cash and money market	\$ 90	1,294	\$	901,294	\$	\$ _
U.S. government agency securities	58	9,994		_	589,994	_
Restricted cash		306		306	_	_
Marketable securities						
U.S. government agency securities	20	7,171		_	207,171	_
Corporate bonds	13	2,913		_	132,913	_
Asset backed securities		7,094		_	7,094	_
Equity securities		1,521		1,521	_	_
Liabilities						
Contingent consideration	(2,477)		_	_	(2,477)
Total	\$ 1,83	7,816	\$	903,121	\$ 937,172	\$ (2,477)

There have been no changes in valuation techniques or transfers between fair value measurement levels during the periods ended March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020. The fair value of Level 2 instruments classified as cash equivalents and marketable debt securities are valued using a third-party pricing agency where the valuation is based on observable inputs including pricing for similar assets and other observable market factors. The Company's marketable equity security investment in Biocartis held as of December 31, 2020 was classified as a Level 1 instrument prior to being sold in the first quarter of 2021.

Contingent Consideration

Certain of the Company's business combinations involve potential payment of future consideration that is contingent upon the achievement of certain regulatory and product revenue milestones being achieved. A liability is recorded for the estimated fair value of the contingent consideration on the acquisition date. The fair value of the contingent consideration is remeasured at each reporting period, and the change in fair value is recognized within general and administrative expenses on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The fair value of contingent consideration as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 was \$336.5 million and \$2.5 million, respectively, which was recorded in other long-term liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The following table provides a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of contingent consideration:

	Three months ended			
(In thousands)	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020		
Beginning balance, January 1,	\$ 2,477	\$ 2,879		
Purchase price contingent consideration (1)	331,348	_		
Changes in fair value	2,879	_		
Payments	(164)	(140)		
Ending balance, March 31,	\$ 336,540	\$ 2,739		

⁽¹⁾ The increase in the contingent consideration liability during the three months ended March 31, 2021 is due to the contingent consideration associated with the acquisition of Thrive Earlier Detection Corporation ("Thrive"). Refer to Note 17 for further information.

This fair value measurement of contingent consideration is categorized as a Level 3 liability, as the measurement amount is based primarily on significant inputs not observable in the market.

The fair value of the contingent consideration liability recorded relating to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") approval and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") coverage milestones associated with the Thrive acquisition was \$334.2 million as of March 31, 2021. The Company evaluates the fair value of the Thrive related expected contingent consideration and the corresponding liability using the probability-weighted scenario based discounted cash flow model, which is consistent with the initial measurement of the expected contingent consideration liability. Probabilities of success are applied to each potential scenario and the resulting values are discounted using a rate that considers present-value factor. The passage of time in addition to changes in projected milestone achievement timing, present-value factor, the degree of achievement if applicable, and probabilities of success may result in adjustments to the fair value measurement. The fair value measurements of contingent consideration for which a liability is recorded include significant unobservable inputs. As of March 31, 2021, the fair value of the contingent consideration liability was determined using a probability of success of 90.0% and a present-value factor of 2.3% to 2.5%, which equates to a weighted average present-value factor of 2.4%. The projected fiscal year of payment range is from 2025 to 2027 for a median projected fiscal year of payment of 2026.

The fair value of the contingent consideration earnout liability related to certain revenue milestones associated with the Biomatrica acquisition was \$2.3 million as of March 31, 2021 and is measured using the Monte Carlo Method. As of March 31, 2021, the fair value of the earnout liability was determined using a volume volatility rate of 29.0%, volume discount rate of 13.1%, and a counter party discount rate of 5.2%. The projected fiscal year of payment range is from 2021 to 2023 for a median projected fiscal year of payment of 2022.

Unobservable inputs were weighted by the relative fair value of the contingent consideration liability.

Non-Marketable Equity Investments

The Company has non-marketable equity investments which are initially recorded at the estimated fair value based on observable transactions. The Company has concluded it is not a primary beneficiary with regards to these investments and does not have the ability to exercise significant influence over the investees and thus has not consolidated the investees pursuant to the requirements of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 810, Consolidation. The Company will continue to assess its investments and future commitments to the investees and to the extent its relationship with the investees change and whether such change may require consolidation of the investees in future periods. The Company remeasures the fair value only when an observable transaction occurs during the period that would suggest a change in the carrying value of the investment. As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company had non-marketable equity investments of \$26.7 million and \$29.1 million, respectively, which are classified as a component of other long-term assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2021, the balance primarily consists of the Company's preferred stock investments in 18,258,838 shares of Epic Sciences, Inc. ("Epic Sciences") and 21,520,648 shares of Renovia, Inc. of \$10.8 million and \$10.0 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2020, the balance primarily consisted of the Company's preferred stock investments in Epic Sciences and 5,025,764 shares of Thrive of \$10.8 million and \$12.5 million, respectively. See Note 17 for additional information regarding the Company's investment in Thrive.

Other than the Company's acquisition of Thrive further described in Note 17, there have been no other observable transactions during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 on the Company's non-marketable equity investments.

Derivative Financial Instruments

As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company had open foreign currency forward contracts with notional amounts of \$26.4 million and \$22.4 million, respectively. The Company's foreign exchange derivative instruments are classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy as they are valued using inputs that are observable in the market or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. The fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts was zero at March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, and there were no gains or losses recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020

(8) LONG-TERM DEBT

Construction Loan Agreement

During December 2017, the Company entered into a loan agreement with Fifth Third Bank (formerly MB Financial Bank, N.A.) (the "Construction Loan Agreement"), which provides the Company with a non-revolving construction loan (the "Construction Loan") of \$25.6 million. The Company is using the Construction Loan proceeds to finance the construction of an additional clinical laboratory and related facilities in Madison, Wisconsin. The Construction Loan is collateralized by the additional clinical laboratory and related facilities.

Pursuant to the Construction Loan Agreement, funds drawn will bear interest at a rate equal to the sum of the 1-month LIBOR rate plus 2.25 percent. Regular monthly payments are interest-only for the first 24 months, with further payments based on a 20-year amortization schedule. Amounts borrowed pursuant to the Construction Loan Agreement may be prepaid at any time without penalty. The maturity date of the Construction Loan Agreement is December 10, 2022.

In November 2017, Fifth Third Bank, on behalf of the Company, issued an Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit in the amount of \$0.6 million in favor of the City of Madison, Wisconsin (the "City Letter of Credit"). The City Letter of Credit is deemed to have been issued pursuant to the Construction Loan Agreement. The amount of the City Letter of Credit will reduce, dollar for dollar, the amount available for borrowing under the Construction Loan Agreement.

As a condition to Fifth Third Bank's initial advance of loan proceeds under the Construction Loan Agreement, the Company was required to first invest at least \$16.4 million of its own cash into the construction project. The Company fulfilled its required initial investment and made its first draw on the Construction Loan in June 2018. In December 2019, the Company began making monthly payments towards the outstanding principal balance plus accrued interest. As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the outstanding balance was \$23.4 million and \$23.8 million, respectively, from the Construction Loan, including \$0.7 million of interest incurred, which is accrued for as an interest reserve and represents a portion of the loan balance. The Company capitalized the \$0.7 million of interest to the construction project. The Company incurred approximately \$0.2 million of debt issuance costs related to the Construction Loan, which are recorded as a direct deduction from the liability. The debt issuance costs are being amortized over the life of the Construction Loan.

The carrying amount of the Construction Loan approximates fair value due to the short maturity of this instrument. The Construction Loan is privately held with no public market for this debt and therefore is classified as a Level 3 fair value measurement. The change in the fair value during the three months ended March 31, 2021 was due to payments made on the loan resulting in a decrease in the liability.

The Construction Loan Agreement was amended effective June 30, 2020 to include a financial covenant to maintain a minimum liquidity of \$250 million and remove the minimum tangible net worth covenant. As of March 31, 2021, the Company is in compliance with the covenant included in the amended agreement.

Tax Increment Financing Loan Agreements

The Company entered into two separate Tax Increment Financing Loan Agreements ("TIFs") in February 2019 and June 2019 with the City of Madison, Wisconsin. The TIFs provide for \$4.6 million of financing in the aggregate. In return for the loans, the Company is obligated to create and maintain 500 full-time jobs over a five-year period, starting on the date of occupancy of the buildings constructed. In the event that the job creation goals are not met, the Company would be required to pay a penalty.

The Company records the earned financial incentives as the full-time equivalent positions are filled. The amount earned is recorded as a liability and amortized as a reduction of operating expenses over a two-year period, which is the timeframe when the TIFs will be repaid through property taxes.

As of December 31, 2019, the Company had earned and received payment of the full \$4.6 million from the City of Madison. As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the corresponding liability, which reflected when the expected benefit of the tax credit amortization would reduce future operating expenses, has been fully amortized.

(9) CONVERTIBLE NOTES

Convertible note obligations included in the condensed consolidated balance sheet consisted of the following as of March 31, 2021:

						Fair Value (2)		
(In thousands)	Pri	incipal Amount	ı	Unamortized Debt Discount and Issuance Costs	Net Carrying Amount	Amount	Leveling	
2028 Convertible notes - 0.375%	\$	1,150,000	\$	(21,125)	\$ 1,128,875	\$ 1,493,563	2	
2027 Convertible notes - 0.375%		747,500		(13,383)	734,117	1,011,255	2	
2025 Convertible notes - 1.000% (1)		315,023		(2,191)	312,832	594,921	2	

Convertible note obligations included in the condensed consolidated balance sheet consisted of the following as of December 31, 2020:

						Fair Value (2)		
(In thousands)	Pri	ncipal Amount	ı	Unamortized Debt Discount and Issuance Costs	Net Carrying Amount	Amount	Leveling	
2028 Convertible notes - 0.375%	\$	1,150,000	\$	(21,878)	\$ 1,128,122	\$ 1,526,625	2	
2027 Convertible notes - 0.375%		747,500		(13,937)	733,563	992,306	2	
2025 Convertible notes - 1.000% (1)		315,049		(2,333)	312,716	601,744	2	

⁽¹⁾ Based on the Company's share price on the days leading up to March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, holders of the 2025 Convertible Notes have the right to convert their debentures. As a result, the 2025 Convertible Notes are included within convertible notes, net, current portion on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

(2) The fair values are based on observable market prices for this debt, which is traded in active markets and therefore is classified as a Level 2 fair value measurement.

Issuances and Settlements

In January 2018, the Company issued and sold \$690.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.0% Convertible Notes (the "January 2025 Notes") with a maturity date of January 15, 2025. The January 2025 Notes accrue interest at a fixed rate of 1.0% per year, payable semi-annually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning on July 15, 2018. The net proceeds from the issuance of the January 2025 Notes were approximately \$671.1 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and the offering expenses payable by the Company.

In June 2018, the Company issued and sold an additional \$218.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.0% Convertible Notes (the "June 2025 Notes"). The June 2025 Notes were issued under the same indenture pursuant to which the Company previously issued the January 2025 Notes (the "Indenture"). The January 2025 Notes and the June 2025 Notes (collectively, the "2025 Notes") have identical terms (including the same January 15, 2025 maturity date) and are treated as a single series of securities. The net proceeds from the issuance of the June 2025 Notes were approximately \$225.3 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and the offering expenses payable by the Company.

In March 2019, the Company issued and sold \$747.5 million in aggregate principal amount of 0.375% Convertible Notes (the "2027 Notes") with a maturity date of March 15, 2027. The 2027 Notes accrue interest at a fixed rate of 0.375% per year, payable semi-annually in arrears on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2019. The net proceeds from the issuance of the 2027 Notes were approximately \$729.5 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and the offering expenses payable by the Company.

The Company utilized a portion of the proceeds from the issuance of the 2027 Notes to settle a portion of the 2025 Notes in privately negotiated transactions. In March 2019, the Company used cash of \$494.1 million and an aggregate of 2.2 million shares of the Company's common stock valued at \$182.4 million for total consideration of \$676.5 million to settle \$493.4 million of the 2025 Notes, of which \$0.7 million was used to pay off interest accrued on the 2025 Notes. The transaction resulted in a loss on settlement of convertible notes of \$187.7 million, which is reflected in accumulated deficit in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The loss represents the difference between (i) the fair value of the consideration transferred and (ii) the carrying value of the debt at the time of repurchase.

In February 2020, the Company issued and sold \$1.15 billion in aggregate principal amount of 0.375% Convertible Notes (the "2028 Notes" and, collectively with the 2025 Notes and the 2027 Notes, the "Notes") with a maturity date of March 1, 2028. The 2028 Notes accrue interest at a fixed rate of 0.375% per year, payable semi-annually in arrears on March 1 and September 1 of each year, beginning on September 1, 2020. The net proceeds from the issuance of the 2028 Notes were approximately \$1.13 billion, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and the offering expenses payable by the Company.

In February 2020, the Company used \$150.1 million of the proceeds from the issuance of the 2028 Notes to settle \$100.0 million of the 2025 Notes, of which \$0.1 million was used to pay off interest accrued on the 2025 Notes. The transaction resulted in a loss on settlement of convertible notes of \$50.8 million, which is recorded in interest expense in the Company's condensed consolidated statement of operations. The loss represents the difference between (i) the fair value of the consideration transferred and (ii) the carrying value of the debt at the time of repurchase.

Summary of Conversion Features

Until the six-months immediately preceding the maturity date of the applicable series of Notes, each series of Notes is convertible only upon the occurrence of certain events and during certain periods, as set forth in the Indentures filed at the time of the original offerings. On or after the date that is six-months immediately preceding the maturity date of the applicable series of Notes until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may convert such Notes at any time. The Notes will be convertible into cash, shares of the Company's common stock (plus, if applicable, cash in lieu of any fractional share), or a combination of cash and shares of the Company's common stock, at the Company's election.

It is the Company's intent and policy to settle all conversions through combination settlement. The initial conversion rate is 13.26, 8.96, and 8.21 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount for the 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes, respectively, which is equivalent to an initial conversion price of approximately \$75.43, \$111.66, and \$121.84 per share of the Company's common stock for the 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes, respectively. The 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes may be convertible in up to 4.2 million, 6.7 million, and 9.4 million shares, respectively. The conversion rate is subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain specified events as set forth in the Indentures filed at the time of the original offerings but will not be adjusted for accrued and unpaid interest. In addition, holders of the Notes who convert their Notes in connection with a "make-whole fundamental change" (as defined in the Indenture), will, under certain circumstances, be entitled to an increase in the conversion rate.

If the Company undergoes a "fundamental change" (as defined in the Indenture), holders of the Notes may require the Company to repurchase for cash all or part of their Notes at a repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Based on the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$131.78 on March 31, 2021, the if-converted values exceed the principal amount by \$235.3 million, \$134.7 million, and \$93.8 million for the 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes, respectively.

Ranking of Convertible Notes

The Notes are the Company's senior unsecured obligations and (i) rank senior in right of payment to all of its future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; (ii) rank equal in right of payment to each outstanding series thereof and to all of the Company's future liabilities that are not so subordinated, unsecured indebtedness; (iii) are effectively junior to all of the Company's existing and future secured indebtedness and other secured obligations, to the extent of the value of the assets securing that indebtedness and other secured obligations; and (iv) are structurally subordinated to all indebtedness and other liabilities of the Company's subsidiaries.

Issuance costs are amortized to interest expense over the term of the Notes. The following table summarizes the original issuance costs at the time of issuance for each set of Notes:

(In thousands)

January 2025 Notes	\$ 10,284
June 2025 Notes	7,363
2027 Notes	14,285
2028 Notes	24,453

The Notes do not contain any financial or operating covenants or any restrictions on the payment of dividends, the issuance of other indebtedness or the issuance or repurchase of securities by the Company.

Interest expense includes the following:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
(In thousands)		2021		2020
Coupon interest expense	\$	2,567	\$	1,932
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		1,449		1,009
Loss on settlement of convertible notes		_		50,819
Total interest expense on convertible notes		4,016		53,760
Other interest expense		600		844
Total interest expense	\$	4,616	\$	54,604

The effective interest rates on the 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 were 1.18%, 0.67%, and 0.64% and 1.26%, 0.67%, and 0.63%, respectively. The remaining period over which the unamortized debt discount will be recognized as non-cash interest expense is 3.80, 5.96, and 6.92 years for the 2025 Notes, 2027 Notes, and 2028 Notes, respectively.

(10) LICENSE AND COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS

The Company licenses certain technologies that are, or may be, incorporated into its technology under several license agreements, as well as the rights to commercialize certain diagnostic tests through collaboration agreements. Generally, the license agreements require the Company to pay royalties based on net revenues received using the technologies and may require minimum royalty amounts or maintenance fees.

Mayo

In June 2009 the Company entered into a license agreement with Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research ("Mayo"). The Company's license agreement with Mayo was most recently amended and restated in September 2020. Under the license agreement, Mayo granted the Company an exclusive, worldwide license to certain Mayo patents and patent applications, as well as a non-exclusive, worldwide license with regard to certain Mayo know-how. The scope of the license covers any screening, surveillance or diagnostic test or tool for use in connection with any type of cancer, pre-cancer, disease or condition.

The licensed Mayo patents and patent applications contain both method and composition claims that relate to sample processing, analytical testing and data analysis associated with nucleic acid screening for cancers and other diseases. The jurisdictions covered by these patents and patent applications include the U.S., Australia, Canada, the European Union, China, Japan and Korea. Under the license agreement, the Company assumed the obligation and expense of prosecuting and maintaining the licensed Mayo patents and is obligated to make commercially reasonable efforts to bring to market products using the licensed Mayo intellectual property.

Pursuant to the Company's agreement with Mayo, the Company is required to pay Mayo a low-single-digit royalty on the Company's net sales of current and future products using the licensed Mayo intellectual property each year during the term of the Mayo agreement.

As part of the most recent amendment, the Company agreed to pay Mayo an additional \$6.3 million, payable in five equal annual installments through 2024. The annual installments are recorded in research and development expenses in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The license agreement will remain in effect, unless earlier terminated by the parties in accordance with the agreement, until the last of the licensed patents expires in 2038 (or later, if certain licensed patent applications are issued). However, if the Company is still using the licensed Mayo know-how or certain Mayo-provided biological specimens or their derivatives on such expiration date, the term shall continue until the earlier of the date the Company stops using such know-how and materials and the date that is five years after the last licensed patent expires. The license agreement contains customary termination provisions and permits Mayo to terminate the license agreement if the Company sues Mayo or its affiliates, other than any such suit claiming an uncured material breach by Mayo of the license agreement.

In addition to granting the Company a license to the covered Mayo intellectual property, Mayo provides the Company with product development and research and development assistance pursuant to the license agreement and other collaborative arrangements. In September 2020, Mayo also agreed to make available certain personnel to provide such assistance through January 2025. In connection with this collaboration, the Company incurred charges of \$1.2 million and \$1.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The charges incurred in connection with this collaboration are recorded in research and development expenses in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

John Hopkins University ("JHU")

Through the acquisition of Thrive, the Company acquired a worldwide exclusive license agreement with JHU for use of several JHU patents and licensed know-how. The license is designed to enable the Company to leverage JHU proprietary data in the development and commercialization of a blood-based, multi-cancer screening test. The agreement terms include single-digit sales-based royalties and sales-based milestone payments of \$10.0 million, \$15.0 million, \$20.0 million and upon achieving calendar year licensed product revenue using JHU proprietary data of \$0.50 billion, \$1.00 billion, and \$1.50 billion, respectively.

(11) PFIZER PROMOTION AGREEMENT

In August 2018, the Company entered into a Promotion Agreement (the "Original Promotion Agreement") with Pfizer Inc. ("Pfizer"), which was amended and restated in October 2020 (the "Restated Promotion Agreement"). The Restated Promotion Agreement extends the relationship between the Company and Pfizer and restructures the manner in which the Company compensates Pfizer for promotion of the Cologuard test through a service fee, and provision of certain other sales and marketing services related to the Cologuard test. The Restated Promotion Agreement includes fixed and performance-related fees, some of which retroactively went into effect on April 1, 2020. All payments to Pfizer are recorded in sales and marketing expenses in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

Under the Original Promotion Agreement, the service fee was calculated based on incremental gross profits over specified baselines during the term. Under the Restated Promotion Agreement, the service fee provides a fee-for-service model that includes certain fixed fees and performance-related bonuses. The performance-related bonuses are contingent upon the achievement of certain annual performance criteria with any applicable expense being recognized ratably upon achievement of the payment becoming probable. The Company incurred charges of \$22.7 million and \$19.4 million for the service fee for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The Company incurred charges of \$26.6 million and \$19.5 million for promotion, sales and marketing services performed by Pfizer on behalf of the Company during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. During 2022, and contingent upon the achievement of certain Cologuard test revenue metrics during 2021, the Company will pay Pfizer a royalty based on a low single-digit royalty rate applied to actual 2022 Cologuard test revenues. The term of the Restated Promotion Agreement runs through December 31, 2022.

(12) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Thrive Acquisition Stock Issuance

In January 2021, the Company completed its acquisition of Thrive. In connection with the acquisition, which is further described in Note 17, the Company issued 9.3 million common shares that had a fair value of \$1.19 billion.

Targeted Digital Sequencing ("TARDIS") License Acquisition Stock Issuance

In January 2021, the Company acquired a worldwide exclusive license to the TARDIS technology from The Translational Genomics Research Institute ("TGen"), which is further described in Note 17. As part of the consideration transferred, the Company issued 0.2 million shares valued at \$27.3 million.

Paradigm and Viomics Acquisition Stock Issuance

In March 2020, the Company completed the acquisitions of Paradigm and Viomics. The purchase price for these acquisitions consisted of cash and stock valued at \$40.4 million. Of the \$40.4 million purchase price, \$32.2 million is expected to be settled through the issuance of 0.4 million shares of common stock. Of the \$32.2 million that will be settled through the issuance of common stock, \$28.8 million was issued as of March 31, 2021, and the remainder was withheld and may become issuable as additional merger consideration on June 3, 2021 subject to the terms and conditions of the acquisition agreements.

Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The amount recognized in AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2021 were as follows:

(In thousands)	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Marketable Securities	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 526	\$ 526
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(292)	(292)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	(40)	(40)
Net current period change in accumulated other comprehensive loss, before tax	(332)	(332)
Income tax expense related to items of other comprehensive income	170	170
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$ 364	\$ 364

The amounts recognized in AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2020 were as follows:

(In thousands)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Marketable Securities (1)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
Balance at December 31, 2019	\$ (25)	\$ (75)	\$ (100)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	_	(1,642)	(1,642)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	25	_	25
Net current period change in accumulated other comprehensive loss	25	(1,642)	(1,617)
Balance at March 31, 2020	<u> </u>	\$ (1,717)	\$ (1,717)

⁽¹⁾ There was no tax impact from the amounts recognized in AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2020.

Amounts reclassified from AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 were as follows:

	Affected Line Item in the	Thr	ee Months En	Ended March 31,	
Details about AOCI Components (In thousands)	Statements of Operations	1	2021	202	0
Change in value of available-for-sale investments					
Sales and maturities of available-for-sale investments	Investment income, net	\$	(40)	\$	_
Foreign currency adjustment	General and administrative		_		25
Total reclassifications		\$	(40)	\$	25

(13) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Stock-Based Compensation Plans

The Company maintains the 2010 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan (As Amended and Restated Effective July 27, 2017), the 2019 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan, the 2010 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, and the 2016 Inducement Award Plan (collectively, the "Stock Plans").

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

The Company records stock-based compensation expense in connection with the amortization of restricted stock and restricted stock unit awards ("RSUs"), stock purchase rights granted under the Company's employee stock purchase plan and stock options granted to employees, non-employee consultants and non-employee directors. The Company recorded \$163.5 million and \$29.6 million in stock-based compensation expense during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

As of March 31, 2021, there was \$492.3 million of expected total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested share-based compensation arrangements granted under all equity compensation plans. The Company expects to recognize that cost over a weighted average period of 3.0 years.

In connection with the acquisition of Thrive, the Company accelerated the vesting of shares of previously unvested stock options and restricted stock units for employees with qualifying termination events. During the three months ended March 31, 2021, the Company accelerated 99,014 shares of previously unvested stock options and 27,479 shares of previously unvested restricted stock awards and restricted stock units. During the three months ended March 31, 2021, the Company recorded \$13.5 million of non-cash stock-based compensation for the accelerated awards. As further discussed in Note 17, the Company also recorded \$86.2 million in stock-based compensation related to accelerated vesting of awards held by Thrive employees in connection with the acquisition.

Stock Options

The Company determines the fair value of each service-based option award on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, which utilizes several key assumptions which are disclosed in the following table:

	Three Mont	ths Ended March 31,
	2021	2020
Option Plan Shares		
Risk-free interest rates	(1)	1.26% - 1.47%
Expected term (in years)	(1)	6.15
Expected volatility	(1)	65.67% - 65.71%
Dividend yield	(1)	<u> </u> %

(1) The Company did not grant stock options under its 2010 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan or 2019 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan during the period.

A summary of stock option activity under the Stock Plans is as follows:

Options	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price (1)	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term(Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value(1)
(Aggregate intrinsic value in thousands)				
Outstanding, January 1, 2021	2,231,059	\$ 39.67	6.0	
Granted	_	_		
Assumed through acquisition	1,393,748	5.51		
Exercised	(967,135)	9.06		
Forfeited	(24,850)	66.87		
Outstanding, March 31, 2021	2,632,822	\$ 32.57	6.5	\$ 261,190
Vested and expected to vest, March 31, 2021	2,632,822	\$ 32.57	6.5	\$ 261,190
Exercisable, March 31, 2021	1,895,614	\$ 25.36	5.8	\$ 201,724

⁽¹⁾ The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2020 was \$58.86.

The Company received approximately \$8.8 million and \$4.3 million from stock option exercises during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units

The fair value of restricted stock and restricted stock units is determined on the date of grant using the closing stock price on that day.

⁽²⁾ The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$126.0 million and \$10.2 million, respectively, determined as of the date of exercise.

A summary of restricted stock and restricted stock unit activity during the three months ended March 31, 2021 is as follows:

Restricted stock and restricted stock units	Shares	Aver	eighted age Grant air Value (2)
Outstanding, January 1, 2021	3,968,214	\$	79.39
Granted	1,540,278		143.66
Assumed through acquisition	242,123		127.79
Released (1)	(1,197,282)		67.58
Forfeited	(86,286)		94.47
Outstanding, March 31, 2021	4,467,047	\$	107.05

⁽¹⁾ The fair value of restricted stock units vested and converted to shares of the Company's common stock was \$80.9 million and \$54.6 million during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Performance Share Units

The Company issued performance-based equity awards to certain employees which vest upon the achievement of certain performance goals, including financial performance targets and operational milestones.

In February 2021, the Company issued additional performance-based equity awards to certain employees which vest upon the achievement of certain performance goals, including financial performance targets and operational milestones.

A summary of performance share-based compensation arrangements granted under all equity compensation unit activity is as follows:

Performance share units	Shares (1)	Avera	eighted age Grant air Value (2)
Outstanding, January 1, 2021	618,515	\$	93.22
Granted	229,618		147.81
Released	_		
Forfeited	(2,075)		147.81
Outstanding, March 31, 2021	846,058	\$	107.90

⁽¹⁾ The performance share units listed above assumes attainment of maximum payout rates as set forth in the performance criteria. Applying actual or expected payout rates, the number of outstanding performance share units as of March 31, 2021 was 239,533.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP")

There were no shares issued under the 2010 Employee Stock Purchase Plan during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020.

⁽²⁾ The weighted average grant date fair value of the restricted stock units granted during the three months ended March 31, 2020 was \$93.21.

⁽²⁾ The weighted average grant date fair value of the performance share units granted during the three months ended March 31, 2020 was \$98.18.

(14) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Leases

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information related to the Company's cash and non-cash activities with its leases are as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 202				
(In thousands)		2021	2020		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:					
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	5,558 \$	5,619		
Operating cash flows from finance leases		248	5		
Finance cash flows from finance leases		1,203	61		
Non-cash investing and financing activities:					
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities (1)		40,406	1,254		
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new finance lease liabilities		639	663		
Weighted-average remaining lease term - operating leases (in years)		8.69	9.50		
Weighted-average remaining lease term - finance leases (in years)		3.45	2.60		
Weighted-average discount rate - operating leases		6.41 %	6.78 %		
Weighted-average discount rate - finance leases		5.66 %	5.44 %		

⁽¹⁾ For the three months ended March 31, 2021, this includes right-of-use assets acquired as part of the acquisition of Thrive of \$39.0 million.

As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company's right-of-use assets from operating leases are \$161.7 million and \$125.9 million, respectively, which are reported in operating lease right-of-use assets in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2021, the Company has outstanding operating lease obligations of \$172.7 million, of which \$15.3 million is reported in operating lease liabilities, current portion and \$157.4 million is reported in operating lease liabilities, less current portion in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had outstanding operating lease obligations of \$132.6 million, of which \$11.5 million is reported in operating lease liabilities, current portion and \$121.1 million is reported in operating lease liabilities, less current portion in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company calculates its incremental borrowing rates for specific lease terms, used to discount future lease payments, as a function of the U.S. Treasury rate and an indicative Moody's rating for operating leases.

As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company's right-of-use assets from finance leases are \$17.9 million and \$18.6 million, respectively, which are reported in other long-term assets, net in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of March 31, 2021, the Company has outstanding finance lease obligations of \$18.1 million, of which \$4.9 million is reported in other current liabilities and \$13.2 million is reported in other long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had outstanding finance lease obligations of \$18.7 million, of which \$4.7 million is reported in other current liabilities and \$14.0 million is reported in other long-term liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company calculates its incremental borrowing rates for specific lease terms, used to discount future lease payments, as a function of the U.S. Treasury rate and an indicative Moody's rating for finance leases.

The Company executed a lease agreement for a new facility in Redwood City, California that will commence in the second quarter of 2021. The Company anticipates that it will recognize \$8.5 million for the operating lease right-of-use assets and \$8.4 million for the operating lease liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheet, respectively, upon commencement of the lease. The Company executed a lease agreement for a new facility in La Jolla, California that will commence in 2021. The Company anticipates that it will recognize \$22.8 million for the operating lease right-of-use assets and \$22.8 million for the operating lease liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheet, respectively, upon commencement of the lease.

Legal Matters

The Company is currently responding to civil investigative demands initiated by the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ") concerning (1) Genomic Health's compliance with the Medicare Date of Service billing regulations and (2) allegations that the Company offered or gave gift cards to patients in exchange for returning the Cologuard screening test, in violation of the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute and False Claims Act. The Company has been cooperating with these inquires and has produced documents in response thereto. Adverse outcomes from these investigations could include the Company being required to pay treble damages, incur civil and criminal penalties, paying attorneys' fees, entering into a corporate integrity agreement, being excluded from participation in government healthcare programs, including Medicare and Medicaid, and other adverse actions that could materially and adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition and results of operation. Refer to the Company's 2020 Form 10-K for additional information on the Company's fair value determination of the preacquisition loss contingency related to the Genomic Health investigation.

In connection with the Company's combination with Genomic Health, on June 22, 2020, Suzanne Flannery, a purported former stockholder of Genomic Health, filed a Verified Individual and Class Action Complaint in the Delaware Court of Chancery, captioned Flannery v. Genomic Health, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 2020-0492. Flannery amended her complaint on November 23, 2020. The amended complaint asserts individual and class action claims, including: (i) a violation of 8 Del. C. § 203 by Genomic Health, Exact Sciences and a purported controlling group of former Genomic Health stockholders; (ii) conversion by Genomic Health, Exact Sciences and Spring Acquisition Corp.; (iii) breach of fiduciary duty by Genomic Health's former directors; (iv) breach of fiduciary duty by the purported controlling group; and (v) aiding and abetting breach of fiduciary duty against Exact Sciences, Spring Acquisition and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, Genomic Health's financial advisor in the combination. The amended complaint seeks, among other things, declaratory relief, unspecified monetary damages and attorneys' fees and costs. All defendants moved to dismiss the amended complaint. Oral argument on defendants' motions to dismiss the amended complaint has been set for May 2021.

These investigations and litigation matters are still in process and their scope and outcome is not determinable at this time. There can be no assurance that any settlement, resolution, or other outcome of these matters during any subsequent reporting period will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or cash flows for that period or on the Company's financial position.

(15) NEW MARKET TAX CREDIT

During the fourth quarter of 2014, the Company received approximately \$2.4 million in net proceeds from financing agreements related to working capital and capital improvements at one of its Madison, Wisconsin facilities. This financing arrangement was structured with an unrelated third-party financial institution (the "Investor"), an investment fund, and its majority owned community development entity in connection with the Company's participation in transactions qualified under the federal New Markets Tax Credit ("NMTC") program, pursuant to Section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Company is required to be in compliance through December 2021 with various regulations and contractual provisions that apply to the NMTC arrangement. Noncompliance with applicable requirements could result in the Investor's projected tax benefits not being realized and, therefore, require the Company to indemnify the Investor for any loss or recapture of NMTC related to the financing until such time as the recapture provisions have expired under the applicable statute of limitations. The Company does not anticipate any credit recapture will be required in connection with this financing arrangement.

The Investor and its majority owned community development entity are considered Variable Interest Entities ("VIEs") and the Company is the primary beneficiary of the VIEs. This conclusion was reached based on the following:

- the ongoing activities of the VIEs collecting and remitting interest and fees and NMTC compliance were all considered in the initial design and are not expected to significantly affect performance throughout the life of the VIE;
- contractual arrangements obligate the Company to comply with NMTC rules and regulations and provide various other guarantees to the Investor and community development entity;
- · the Investor lacks a material interest in the underlying economics of the project; and
- the Company is obligated to absorb losses of the VIEs.

Because the Company is the primary beneficiary of the VIEs, they have been included in the consolidated financial statements. There are no other assets, liabilities or transactions in these VIEs outside of the financing transactions executed as part of the NMTC arrangement.

(16) WISCONSIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDITS

During the first quarter of 2015, the Company entered into an agreement with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation ("WEDC") to earn \$9.0 million in refundable tax credits on the condition that the Company expends \$26.3 million in capital investments and establishes and maintains 758 full-time positions over a seven-year period. The tax credits earned are first applied against the tax liability otherwise due, and if there is no such liability present, the claim for tax credits will be reimbursed in cash to the Company. The maximum amount of the refundable tax credit to be earned for each year is fixed, and the Company earns the credits by meeting certain capital investment and job creation thresholds over the seven-year period. Should the Company earn and receive the job creation tax credits but not maintain those full-time positions through the end of the agreement, the Company may be required to pay those credits back to the WEDC.

The Company records the earned tax credits as job creation and capital investments occur. The amount of tax credits earned is recorded as a liability and amortized as a reduction of operating expenses over the expected period of benefit. The tax credits earned from capital investment are recognized as an offset to depreciation expense over the expected life of the acquired capital assets. The tax credits earned related to job creation are recognized as an offset to operational expenses over the life of the agreement, as the Company is required to maintain the minimum level of full-time positions through the seven-year period.

As of March 31, 2021, the Company has earned all \$9.0 million of the refundable tax credits and has received payment of \$7.5 million from the WEDC. The unpaid portion is \$1.5 million, which is reported in prepaid expenses and other current assets, reflecting when collection of the refundable tax credits is expected to occur. As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the corresponding liability, which reflected when the expected benefit of tax credit amortization would reduce future operating expenses, has been fully amortized.

During the three months ended March 31, 2020, the Company amortized \$0.6 million of the tax credits earned as a reduction of operating expenses.

(17) BUSINESS COMBINATIONS AND ASSET ACQUISITIONS

Business Combinations

Thrive Earlier Detection Corporation

On January 5, 2021, the Company completed the acquisition ("Thrive Merger") of all of the outstanding capital stock of Thrive. Thrive, headquartered in Cambridge, Massachusetts, is a healthcare company dedicated to incorporating earlier cancer detection into routine medical care. The Company expects that combining Thrive's early-stage screening test, CancerSEEK, with the Company's scientific platform, clinical organization and commercial infrastructure will establish the Company as a leading competitor in blood-based, multi-cancer screening. The Company has included the financial results of Thrive in the consolidated financial statements from the date of the combination.

The combination date fair value of the consideration transferred for Thrive was approximately \$2.19 billion, which consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	
Common stock issued	\$ 1,175,431
Cash	584,996
Contingent consideration	331,348
Fair value of replaced equity awards	52,245
Previously held equity investment fair value	43,034
Total purchase price	\$ 2,187,054

The Company issued 9,323,266 common shares that had a fair value of \$1.19 billion based on the average of the high and low market price of the Company's shares on the acquisition date, which was \$127.79. Of the total consideration for common stock issued, \$1.18 billion was allocated to the purchase consideration and \$16.0 million was recorded as compensation within general and administrative expenses in the condensed consolidated statement of operations on the acquisition date due to accelerated vesting of legacy Thrive restricted stock awards ("RSA") and RSU awards in connection with the acquisition.

The company paid \$590.2 million in cash on the acquisition date. Of the total consideration for cash, \$585.0 million was allocated to the purchase consideration and \$5.2 million was recorded as compensation within general and administrative expenses on the acquisition date due to accelerated vesting of legacy Thrive RSU and RSA awards that were cash-settled in connection with the acquisition.

The contingent consideration arrangement requires the Company to pay up to \$450.0 million of additional cash consideration to Thrive's former shareholders upon the achievement of two discrete events, FDA approval and CMS coverage, for \$150.0 million and up to \$300.0 million, respectively. The fair value of the contingent consideration arrangement at the acquisition date was \$352.0 million. The fair value of the contingent consideration was estimated using a probability-weighted scenario based discounted cash flow model. This fair value measurement is based on significant inputs not observable in the market and thus represents a Level 3 measurement as defined in ASC 820. The key assumptions are described in Note 7. Of the total fair value of the contingent consideration, \$331.3 million was allocated to the consideration transferred, \$6.4 million was allocated to the Company's previous ownership interest in Thrive, and \$14.3 million was deemed compensatory as participation is dependent on replaced unvested equity awards vesting which requires future service. Compensation expense related to the milestones could be up to \$18.2 million undiscounted and will be recognized in the future once probable and payable. As of March 31, 2021, there were no significant changes in the range of outcomes for the contingent consideration recognized as a result of the acquisition of Thrive, although the recognized amount increased by \$2.9 million as a result of the passage of time.

The Company replaced unvested stock options, RSUs, and RSAs and vested stock options with a combination-date fair value of \$197.0 million. Of the total consideration for replaced equity awards, \$52.2 million was allocated to the consideration transferred and \$144.8 million was deemed compensatory as it was attributable to post acquisition vesting. Of the total compensation related to replaced awards, \$65.0 million was expensed on the acquisition date due to accelerated vesting of stock options in connection with the acquisition and \$79.8 million relates to future services and will be expensed over the remaining service periods of the unvested stock options, RSUs, and RSAs on a straight-line basis. Including expense recognized for accelerated vesting of RSUs and RSAs described above, total expected stock-based compensation expense is \$166.0 million, of which \$86.2 million was recognized immediately to general and administrative expenses in the condensed consolidated statement of operations due to accelerated vesting.

The fair value of the stock options assumed by the Company was determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The fair value of the RSA and RSUs assumed by the Company was determined based on the average of the high and low market price of the Company's shares on the acquisition date. The share conversion ratio of 0.06216 was applied to convert Thrive's outstanding equity awards for Thrive's common stock into equity awards for shares of the Company's common stock.

The fair value of options assumed were based on the assumptions in the following table:

Weighted average fair value per share of options assumed

 Option Plan Shares Assumed
 0.11% - 0.12%

 Risk-free interest rates
 0.11% - 0.12%

 Expected term (in years)
 1.26 - 1.57

 Expected volatility
 65.54% - 71.00%

 Dividend yield
 -%

The company previously held a preferred stock investment of \$12.5 million in Thrive and recognized a gain of approximately \$30.5 million on the transaction within investment income, net on the Company's consolidated statement of operations, which represented the adjustment of the Company's historical investment to the acquisition date fair value. The fair value of the Company's previous ownership in Thrive was determined based on the pro-rata share payout applied to the Company's interest combined with the fair value of the Company's share of the contingent consideration arrangement, as discussed above.

\$109.74 - \$124.89

The following table summarizes the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date.

(In thousands)	 244 = 40
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 241,748
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	3,939
Property, plant and equipment	29,977
Operating lease right-of-use assets	39,027
Other long-term assets	67
In-process research and development (IPR&D)	1,250,000
Total identifiable assets acquired	\$ 1,564,758
Accounts payable	(3,222)
Accrued liabilities	(6,218)
Operating lease liabilities, current portion	(2,980)
Operating lease liabilities, less current portion	(38,622)
Deferred tax liability	(272,905)
Total liabilities assumed	\$ (323,947)
Net identifiable assets acquired	\$ 1,240,811
Goodwill	946,243
Net assets acquired	\$ 2,187,054

IPR&D represents the fair value assigned to research and development assets that have not reached technological feasibility. The primary basis for determining technological feasibility of these projects is obtaining regulatory approval to market the underlying product and expected commercial release. The amounts capitalized are accounted for as indefinite-lived intangible assets, subject to impairment testing, until completion or abandonment of the research and development efforts associated with the projects. The company recorded \$1.25 billion of IPR&D related to a project associated with the development of an FDA approved blood-based, multi cancer screening test. The IPR&D asset was valued using the multiple-period excess earnings method approach, which involves significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs). These inputs include projected sales, margin, required rate of return and tax rate, as well as estimates of achievement probability and timing related to the royalty and milestone obligations due to JHU, as described in Note 10.

The calculation of the excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair value of the tangible net assets and intangible assets acquired was recorded to goodwill, which is primarily attributed to the research and development workforce expertise, next generation sequencing capabilities and expected synergies. The total goodwill related to this combination is not deductible for tax purposes.

The total purchase price allocation is preliminary and based upon estimates and assumptions that are subject to change within the measurement period as additional information for the estimates is obtained. The measurement period remains open pending the completion of valuation procedures related to certain acquired assets and liabilities assumed, primarily in connection with the IPR&D asset, as well as finalization of the pre-combination income tax returns.

The net loss before tax of Thrive included in the Company's consolidated statement of operations from the combination date of January 5, 2021 to March 31, 2021 was \$142.8 million.

The following unaudited pro forma financial information summarizes the combined results of operations for the Company and Thrive, as though the companies were combined as of the beginning of January 1, 2020.

		Three Months Ended March 31,			
(In thousands)	2021		2020		
Total revenues	\$ 40	2,077 \$	347,821		
Net loss before tax	(19	2,569)	(230,359)		

The unaudited pro forma financial information for all periods presented above has been calculated after adjusting the results of Thrive to reflect the business combination accounting effects resulting from this combination. The Company incurred \$86.2 million of stock-based compensation expense related to accelerated vesting in connection with the acquisition, \$13.5 million of stock-based compensation expense related to accelerated vesting for employees with qualifying termination events, and \$10.3 million of transaction costs incurred to execute the acquisition. These expenses are included in general and administrative expenses on the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and are reflected in pro forma earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2020 in the table above. The Company recorded a realized gain of \$30.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2021 in investment income, net on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of operations relating to the Company's pre-acquisition investment in Thrive. This gain has been adjusted to \$7.6 million based on the Company's interest in Thrive as of January 1, 2020 and is reflected in pro forma earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2020 in the table above. The historical consolidated financial statements have been adjusted in the unaudited pro forma combined financial information to give effect to pro forma events that are directly attributable to the business combination and factually supportable. The unaudited pro forma financial information is for informational purposes only and is not indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the combination had taken place as of January 1, 2020.

During 2021, the Company incurred \$10.3 million of acquisition-related costs recorded in general and administrative expenses in the condensed consolidated statement of operations. These costs include fees associated with financial, legal, accounting and other advisors incurred to complete the merger.

In connection with acquisition-related severances, the Company recorded \$13.5 million of expense related to vesting of previously unvested equity awards and \$2.0 million of additional benefit charges in the first quarter of 2021.

Paradigm Diagnostics, Inc. and Viomics, Inc.

On March 3, 2020, the Company acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Paradigm and Viomics, two related party companies of one another headquartered in Phoenix, Arizona, in transactions that were deemed to be a single business combination in accordance with ASC 805, Business Combinations, ("the Paradigm Acquisition"). Paradigm provides comprehensive genomic-based profiling tests that assist in the diagnosis and therapy recommendations for late-stage cancer. Viomics provides a platform for identification of biomarkers.

The Company entered into this acquisition to enhance its product portfolio in cancer diagnostics and to enhance its capabilities for biomarker identification.

The acquisition date fair value of the consideration to be transferred for Paradigm and Viomics was \$40.4 million, which consists of \$32.2 million payable in shares of the Company's common stock and \$8.2 million which was settled through a cash payment. Of the \$32.2 million to be settled through the issuance of common stock, \$28.8 million was issued as of March 31, 2021, and the remaining \$3.4 million, which was withheld and may become payable as additional merger consideration, is included in other current liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2021. The purchase price was allocated to the underlying assets acquired and liabilities assumed based upon their estimated fair values as follows:

(In thousands)	Preliminary Allocation March 3, 2020	Mo	easurement Period Adjustments	Final Allocation March 3, 2021
Net operating assets	\$ 6,133	\$	(760)	\$ 5,373
Goodwill	29,695		736	30,431
Developed technology	7,800		_	7,800
Net operating liabilities	(3,123)		(80)	(3,203)
Total purchase price	\$ 40,505	\$	(104)	\$ 40,401

The measurement period adjustments primarily related to accounts receivable valuation and working capital adjustments.

The fair value of identifiable intangible assets has been determined using the income approach, which involves significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs). These inputs include projected sales, margin, weighted average cost of capital and tax rate.

Developed technology represents purchased technology that had reached technological feasibility and for which development had been completed as of the acquisition date. Fair value was determined using future discounted cash flows related to the projected income stream of the developed technology for a discrete projection period. Cash flows were discounted to their present value as of the closing date. Developed technology is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life of 15 years.

The calculation of the excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair value of the tangible net assets and intangible assets acquired was recorded to goodwill, which is primarily attributed to the assembled workforce, and expected synergies. The total goodwill related to this acquisition is not deductible for tax purposes.

The Company agreed to issue to the previous investors in Viomics equity interests with an acquisition-date fair value of up to \$8.4 million in Viomics, vesting over 4 years based on certain retention arrangements. Payment is contingent upon continued employment with the Company over the four year vesting period and is recognized as stock-based compensation expense in general and administrative expense in the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

Pro forma disclosures have not been included due to immateriality.

Asset Acquisitions

TARDIS License Agreement

On January 11 2021, the Company entered into a worldwide exclusive license to the proprietary TARDIS technology from TGen, an affiliate of City of Hope. Under the agreement, the Company acquired a royalty-free, worldwide exclusive license to proprietary TARDIS patents and know-how. The Company intends to develop and commercialize the TARDIS technology as a minimal residual disease ("MRD") test. The Company accounted for this transaction as an asset acquisition. In connection with the asset acquisition, the Company paid upfront fair value consideration of \$52.3 million comprised of \$25.0 million in cash and issuance of 0.2 million shares of common stock valued at \$27.3 million based on the average of the high and low market price of the Company's shares on the acquisition date. In addition, the Company is obligated to make milestone payments to TGen of \$10.0 million and \$35.0 million upon achieving cumulative product revenue related to MRD detection and/or treatment totaling \$100.0 million and \$250.0 million, respectively. These payments are contingent upon achievement of these cumulative revenues on or before December 31, 2030. The upfront consideration was recorded to research and development expense in the condensed consolidated statement of operations immediately after acquisition as the asset was deemed to be incomplete and had no alternative future use at the time of acquisition. The Company will record the sales milestones once achievement is deemed probable. No acquisition related costs were incurred in this asset acquisition.

(18) SEGMENT INFORMATION

Management determined that the Company functions as a single operating segment, and thus reports as a single reportable segment. This operating segment is focused on the development and global commercialization of clinical laboratory services allowing healthcare providers and patients to make individualized treatment decisions. Management assessed the discrete financial information routinely reviewed by the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker, its President and Chief Executive Officer, to monitor the Company's operating performance and support decisions regarding allocation of resources to its operations. Performance is continuously monitored at the consolidated level to timely identify deviations from expected results.

The following table summarizes total revenue from customers by geographic region. Product revenues are attributed to countries based on ship-to location.

	 Three Months Ended March 31,		
(In thousands)	2021		2020
United States	\$ 376,021	\$	326,885
Outside of United States	26,056		20,936
Total revenues	\$ 402,077	\$	347,821

Long-lived assets located in countries outside of the United States are not significant.

(19) INCOME TAXES

The Company recorded an income tax benefit of \$242.8 million and a benefit of \$2.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The Company's income tax benefit recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2021, is primarily related to an income tax benefit of \$239.2 million recorded as a result of the change in the deferred tax asset valuation allowance resulting from the Thrive Merger. In connection with the Thrive Merger, a deferred tax liability was recorded for identified intangible assets. These deferred tax liabilities are considered a source of future taxable income which allowed the Company to reduce its pre-merger deferred tax asset valuation allowance As a result, a deferred tax liability of approximately \$38.9 million was recorded as of March 31, 2021, which is included in other long-term liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. The Company's income tax benefit recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2020 was primarily related to future limitations on and expiration of certain Federal and State deferred tax assets. The Company continues to maintain a full valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets based on management's determination that it is more likely than not the benefit will not be realized.

The Company had \$17.7 million and \$16.6 million of unrecognized tax benefits at March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively. These amounts have been recorded as a reduction to the Company's deferred tax asset, if recognized they would not have an impact on the effective tax rate due to the existing valuation allowance. Certain of the Company's unrecognized tax benefits could change due to activities of various tax authorities, including possible settlement of audits, or through normal expiration of various statutes of limitations. The Company does not expect a material change in unrecognized tax benefits in the next twelve months.

As of March 31, 2021, due to the carryforward of unutilized net operating losses and research and development credits, the Company is subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations for the tax years 2001 through 2021, and to state income tax examinations for the tax years 2001 through 2021. No interest or penalties related to income taxes have been accrued or recognized as of March 31, 2021.

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(20) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On April 14, 2021 the Company completed the acquisition of all of the outstanding equity interests of Ashion Analytics, LLC ("Ashion"; such transaction the "Ashion Acquisition") from PMed Management, LLC ("PMed"), which is a subsidiary of TGen for a fair value of approximately \$89.4 million, comprised of \$73.2 million, net of cash received, and 125,444 shares of the Company's common stock with an acquisition date fair value of \$16.2 million based on the average of the high and low market price of the Company's shares on the acquisition date. An additional \$20.0 million and \$30.0 million would be payable in cash upon the Company's commercial launch, on or before the tenth anniversary of the Ashion Acquisition, of a test for MRD detection and/or treatment (the "Commercial Launch Milestone") and the Company's achievement, on or before the fifth anniversary of the Ashion Acquisition of cumulative revenues from MRD products of \$500.0 million (the "MRD Product Revenue Milestone"), respectively. Ashion is a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments ("CLIA") certified and College of American Pathologists "(CAP") accredited sequencing lab based in Phoenix, Arizona. Ashion developed GEMEXTra®, one of the most comprehensive genomic cancer tests available, and provides access to whole exome, matched germline, and transcriptome sequencing capabilities. Due to the proximity of the completion of the acquisition to the filing of this Form 10-Q, the accounting for the preliminary purchase price allocation is not complete, including the valuation of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

On May 3, 2021, the Company acquired approximately 90% of the outstanding capital stock of PFS Genomics Inc. ("PFS"; such transaction, the "PFS Acquisition"), pursuant to a share purchase agreement. PFS is a healthcare company focused on personalizing treatment for breast cancer patients to improve outcomes and reduce unnecessary treatment. The Company expects this acquisition to expand our ability to help guide early stage breast cancer treatment through individualized radiotherapy treatment decisions. Under the terms of the PFS Acquisition, the Company paid \$30.6 million cash at closing. Due to the proximity of the completion of the acquisition to the filing of this Form 10-Q, the accounting for the preliminary purchase price allocation is not complete.

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

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the audited financial statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, which has been filed with the SEC (the "2020 Form 10-K").

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that are intended to be covered by the "safe harbor" created by those sections. Forward-looking statements, which are based on certain assumptions and describe our future plans, strategies and expectations, can generally be identified by the use of forwardlooking terms such as "believe," "expect," "may," "will," "should," "would," "could," "seek," "intend," "plan," "goal," "project," "estimate," "anticipate" or other comparable terms. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q regarding our strategies, prospects, expectations, financial condition, operations, costs, plans and objectives are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements we make regarding expected future operating results; our strategies, positioning, resources, capabilities and expectations for future events or performance; and the anticipated benefits of our acquisitions, including estimated synergies and other financial impacts. Forward-looking statements are neither historical facts nor assurances of future performance or events. Instead, they are based only on current beliefs, expectations and assumptions regarding the future of our business, future plans and strategies, projections, anticipated events and trends, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict and many of which are outside of our control. Actual results, conditions and events may differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements. Therefore, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results, conditions and events to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements include, among others, the following: uncertainties associated with the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, including its possible effects on our operations, including our supply chain and clinical studies, and the demand for our cancer and COVID-19 testing products and services; our ability to efficiently and flexibly manage our business amid uncertainties related to COVID-19; our ability to successfully and profitably market our products and services; the acceptance of our products and services by patients and healthcare providers; our ability to meet demand for our products and services; the willingness of health insurance companies and other payers to cover our products and services and adequately reimburse us for such products and services; the amount and nature of competition for our products and services; the effects of any judicial, executive or legislative action affecting us or the healthcare system; recommendations, guidelines and quality metrics issued by various organizations regarding cancer screening or our products and services; our ability to successfully develop new products and services and assess potential market opportunities; our ability to effectively enter into and utilize strategic partnerships and acquisitions; our success establishing and maintaining collaborative, licensing and supplier arrangements; our ability to maintain regulatory approvals and comply with applicable regulations; our ability to manage an international business and our expectations regarding our international expansion and opportunities; the potential effects of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and our efforts to hedge such effects; the possibility that the anticipated benefits from our business acquisitions will not be realized in full or at all or may take longer to realize than expected; the possibility that costs or difficulties related to the integration of acquired businesses' operations will be greater than expected and the possibility that integration efforts will disrupt our business and strain management time and resources; the outcome of any litigation, government investigations, enforcement actions or other legal proceedings, including in connection with acquisitions; our ability to retain and hire key personnel, including employees at businesses we acquire. The risks included above are not exhaustive. Other important risks and uncertainties are described in the Risk Factors and in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations sections of the 2020 Form 10-K and subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. You are further cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. Except as otherwise required by the federal securities laws, we undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

Overview

Exact Sciences Corporation (together with its subsidiaries, "Exact," "we," "us," "our" or the "Company") is a leading global cancer diagnostics company. We have developed some of the most impactful brands in cancer diagnostics, and we are currently working on the development of additional tests, with the goal of bringing new innovative cancer tests to patients throughout the world.

Acquisitions

On January 5, 2021, we completed the acquisition ("Thrive Merger") of Thrive Earlier Detection Corporation ("Thrive"). Thrive is a healthcare company dedicated to developing a blood-based, multi-cancer screening test. We intend to combine Thrive's expertise with our scientific capabilities, clinical organization and commercial infrastructure to establish us as a leading competitor in blood-based, multi-cancer screening.

On January 11, 2021, we acquired a worldwide exclusive license to the proprietary Targeted Digital Sequencing ("TARDIS") technology from The Translational Genomics Research Institute ("TGen"), an affiliate of City of Hope. We intend to use the TARDIS technology to develop a test to detect small amounts of tumor DNA that may remain in patients' blood after they have undergone initial treatment, known as minimal residual disease ("MRD").

On April 14, 2021, we completed the acquisition of all of the outstanding equity interests of Ashion Analytics, LLC ("Ashion"; such transaction the "Ashion Acquisition") from PMed Management, LLC ("PMed"), which is a subsidiary of TGen. Ashion is a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments ("CLIA") certified and College of American Pathologists ("CAP") accredited sequencing lab based in Phoenix, Arizona and developed GEMEXTra®, one of the most comprehensive genomic cancer tests available, and provides access to the whole exome, matched germline, and transcriptome sequencing capabilities.

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Our Cologuard Test

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States and the leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among non-smokers. In 2020 in the United States there are projected to be approximately 148,000 new cases of colorectal cancer and 53,000 deaths from colorectal cancer. It is widely accepted that colorectal cancer is among the most preventable, yet least prevented cancers.

Our Cologuard® test is a non-invasive stool-based DNA ("sDNA") screening test that utilizes a multi-target approach to detect DNA and hemoglobin biomarkers associated with colorectal cancer and pre-cancer. Upon approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") in August 2014, our Cologuard test became the first and only FDA-approved sDNA non-invasive colorectal cancer screening test. Our Cologuard test is now indicated for average risk adults 45 years of age and older.

Our Oncotype IQ Tests

With our Oncotype IQ Genomic Intelligence Platform we are applying our world-class scientific and commercial expertise and infrastructure to lead the translation of clinical and genomic data into clinically actionable results for treatment planning throughout the cancer patient's journey, from diagnosis to treatment selection and monitoring. Our Oncotype IQ Genomic Intelligence Platform is currently comprised of our flagship line of Oncotype DX® gene expression tests for breast, prostate and colon cancer, as well as Oncotype DX AR-V7 Nucleus Detect® test, a liquid-based test for advanced stage prostate cancer.

In October 2020, we announced the introduction of the Oncotype MAPTM Pan-Cancer Tissue test, which is a rapid, comprehensive tumor profiling panel that aids therapy selection for patients with advanced, metastatic, refractory, or recurrent cancer.

International Business Background and Products

We commercialize our Oncotype IQ tests internationally through employees in Canada, Japan and six European countries, as well as through exclusive distribution agreements. We have provided our Oncotype IQ tests in more than 90 countries outside of the United States. We do not offer our Cologuard test or COVID-19 testing outside of the United States. Inclusion of our products in guidelines and quality measures will be critical to our international success.

Pipeline Research and Development

Our research and development efforts are focused on developing new products and enhancing existing products to address new cancer areas and expand the clinical utility and addressable patient populations for our existing tests. We expect to advance liquid biopsy through biomarker discovery and validation in tissue, blood, or other fluids and to leverage recent business development activities to accelerate our leadership in earlier cancer detection and treatment guidance. We are pursuing the following opportunities:

- Colon Cancer Screening. We are seeking opportunities to improve upon our Cologuard test's performance characteristics. In October 2019, we and
 Mayo presented at the American College of Gastroenterology's 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting findings from a blinded-case control study showing
 enhanced colorectal cancer and advanced adenoma detection using newly discovered methylation biomarkers. To establish the performance of an
 enhanced multi-target stool DNA test, we expect to enroll more than 10,000 patients 40 years of age and older in our multi-center, prospective
 BLUE-C study. The timing of any such enhancements to our Cologuard test is unknown and would be subject to FDA approval. We are also working
 to develop a blood-based screening test for colorectal cancer.
- Multi-Cancer Screening Test Development. We are currently seeking to develop a blood-based, multi-cancer screening test. In January 2021, we completed the acquisition of Thrive, a healthcare company dedicated to developing a blood-based, multi-cancer screening test. An early version of Thrive's test has achieved promising results in a 10,000-patient, prospective, interventional study detecting 10 different types of cancer, including seven with no current recommended screening guidelines, with very few false positives. We intend to combine Thrive's expertise with our scientific capabilities, clinical organization and commercial infrastructure to establish us as a leading competitor in blood-based, multi-cancer screening.
- Hepatocellular Carcinoma ("HCC") Test Development. We are currently developing a blood-based biomarker test to serve as an alternative to ultrasound and alpha-fetoprotein ("AFP") for use in HCC testing. HCC is the most common type of liver cancer. Our goal is to provide a patient-friendly test that performs better than the current guideline-recommended testing options. In November 2019, we released the results of a 450-patient study which demonstrated 80% overall sensitivity for HCC at 90% specificity with a novel combination of six blood-based biomarkers for HCC. The study also showed 71% sensitivity for early-stage HCC at 90% specificity. The study compared performance to the AFP test, which demonstrated 45% sensitivity at 90% specificity for early stage HCC. We currently expect to offer our test to select offices in the second quarter of 2021.
- Minimal Residual Disease ("MRD") Test Development. In January 2021 we acquired an exclusive license to the TGen proprietary TARDIS technology. We are currently seeking to utilize this compelling and technically distinct approach to develop a test to detect small amounts of tumor DNA that may remain in patients' blood after they have undergone initial treatment. In a study published in Science Translational Medicine, TARDIS demonstrated high accuracy in assessing molecular response and residual disease during neoadjuvant therapy to treat breast cancer. TARDIS achieved up to 100-fold improvement beyond the current limit of circulating tumor DNA detection. We intend to expand our precision oncology business to become a leader in minimal residual disease testing, which will leverage our existing foundation to deliver better solutions to patients navigating cancer.
- Development Studies for Oncotype DX Products. We may also conduct or fund clinical studies that could support additional opportunities for our Oncotype DX products. For example, we are exploring clinical studies to expand the use of genomic testing to address additional populations, including higher-risk patients.

We may also use a number of other technologies across various development programs and product implementations. While early-stage cancer continues to be our main focus, we believe we also have an opportunity to expand our business further along the patient's cancer journey, both through our research and development process and strategic collaborations.

Research and development, which includes our clinical study programs, accounts for a material portion of our operating expenses. As we seek to enhance our current product portfolio and expand our product pipeline by developing additional cancer screening and diagnostic tests, we expect that our research and development expenditures will continue to increase.

COVID-19 Testing Business

In late March 2020, we began providing COVID-19 testing. We have partnered with various customers, including the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services, to administer testing. Customers are responsible for employing trained personnel to collect specimens. Specimens are sent to our laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin, where we run the assay in our laboratories and provide test results to ordering providers. In light of the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, we intend to periodically reassess our COVID-19 testing business. As the pandemic abates and more people receive vaccinations, we expect declining demand for COVID-19 testing.

2021 Priorities

Our top priorities for 2021 are to (1) get more people tested, (2) advance new solutions, and (3) enhance our customer experience.

Get More People Tested

We are committed to delivering critical answers to patients by getting more people tested with our Cologuard and Oncotype IQ tests. We will also continue to provide COVID-19 testing to support our employees and to improve the country's testing capacity.

Advance New Solutions

In 2021, we are focused on advancing new solutions to provide answers to patients throughout their cancer journeys. We plan to continue investing in ongoing and additional clinical trials to support our product development efforts in enhancing existing products. We also plan to bring new products to patients and providers as further discussed in the Pipeline Research and Development section above.

Enhance Our Customer Experience

Another priority for 2021 is to enhance our customer experience. To establish long-term relationships with patients and providers, we plan to improve customer communications and create new ways to personalize their experiences. Our goal is to become the cancer diagnostic provider of choice for providers and patients.

Results of Operations

The spread of COVID-19 has affected many segments of the global economy, including the cancer screening and diagnostics industry. The pandemic and related precautionary measures began to materially disrupt our business in March 2020 and may continue to disrupt our business for an unknown period of time. As a result, the pandemic has continued to have an impact on our 2021 operating results, including our revenues, margins, and cash utilization, among other measures.

Due to social distancing, stay-at-home orders, and other actions taken in response to COVID-19, there was a significant and widespread decline in standard wellness visits and preventive services beginning at the end of the first quarter of 2020. We took steps to limit exposure to COVID-19 based on recommendations from government and health agencies, including limiting field-based, face-to-face interactions by our sales force. The decline in field-based, face-to-face interactions with health care providers negatively impacted Cologuard test orders beginning in March 2020 in our Screening business, notwithstanding the availability of alternative ordering channels such as telehealth. Order volumes recovered over the course of 2020 and by the first quarter of 2021 exceeded prepandemic levels. Our Precision Oncology business started to see weakening underlying conditions in April 2020 because of COVID-19. The widespread decrease in preventive services, including mammograms and prostate cancer screenings, negatively impacted Precision Oncology test volumes beginning in May 2020 and continuing throughout the third quarter of 2020 due to the typical lag between cancer screening and genomic test ordering. We began to see orders recovering in the fourth quarter of 2020 to near pre-pandemic levels, and that recovery continued in the first quarter of 2021. While we have seen recovery in our Screening and Precision Oncology businesses, the impact of the pandemic is uncertain and subject to factors beyond our control. As a result of the pandemic, we have continued to provide COVID-19 testing, the revenue from which has partially offset the pandemic's impact on our Screening and Precision Oncology testing revenue.

We expect to adjust our precautionary measures at our various locations based on local recovery levels and applicable governmental regulations. For example, a portion of the Company's and Pfizer's sales force has recommenced field-based interactions, although access to healthcare providers remains limited and the resumption of normal activities is expected to be gradual. Our business could be negatively affected if we take excessive, ineffective or inadequate precautions.

As our Screening and Precision Oncology businesses have continued to recover throughout the first quarter of 2021, we have continued to plan for future growth through investing in our existing operations and through the acquisitions further discussed above.

We have generated significant losses since inception and, as of March 31, 2021, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$2.08 billion. We expect to continue to incur losses for the near future, and it is possible we may never achieve profitability.

Revenue. Our revenue is primarily generated by our laboratory testing services from our Cologuard, Oncotype IQ, and COVID-19 tests. Our Screening revenue, which primarily includes laboratory service revenue from our Cologuard test, was \$240.3 million and \$219.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The increase was primarily due to an increase in the number of completed Cologuard tests. Our Precision Oncology revenue, which primarily includes laboratory service revenue from our global Oncotype products, was \$129.4 million and \$128.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The increase was primarily due to an increase in the number of completed Oncotype IQ tests. For the three months ended March 31, 2021, we also generated \$32.3 million in revenue from our COVID-19 testing.

Our cost structure. Our selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of non-research personnel salaries, office expenses, professional fees, sales and marketing expenses incurred in support of our commercialization efforts and non-cash stock-based compensation.

Cost of sales includes costs related to inventory production and usage, shipment of collection kits and tissue samples, royalties and the cost of services to process tests and provide results to healthcare providers.

We expect that revenue and cost of sales for our services will continue to fluctuate and be affected by the test volume of our products, our operating efficiencies, patient adherence rates, payer mix, the levels of reimbursement, and payment patterns of payers and patients.

Cost of sales (exclusive of amortization of acquired intangible assets). Cost of sales increased to \$110.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$81.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in cost of sales is primarily due to an increase in production costs from an increase in completed Cologuard and Oncotype IQ tests and costs incurred from our COVID-19 testing including a charge of \$6.0 million for a reserve of excess inventory related to our COVID-19 testing. We also incurred an increase in personnel expenses to support the increase in volume and future growth of our tests.

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
Amounts in millions	2021		2020		Change	
Production costs	\$	60.6	\$	44.1	\$	16.5
Personnel expenses		31.0		22.3		8.7
Facility and support services		14.2		12.4		1.8
Stock-based compensation		4.1		2.5		1.6
Other cost of sales expenses		0.1		0.3		(0.2)
Total cost of sales expense	\$	110.0	\$	81.6	\$	28.4

Research and development expenses. Research and development expenses increased to \$115.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$43.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in research and development expenses was primarily due to our acquisition of the license to the TARDIS technology in January 2021, which resulted in an expense of \$52.3 million upon acquisition. The acquisition is further described in Note 17 of our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. In addition, there was an increase in stock-based compensation and personnel expenses incurred primarily due to our acquisition of Thrive in January 2021.

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
Amounts in millions	2021		2020		Change	
Licensed technology acquisition	\$	52.3	\$	- \$	52.3	
Personnel expenses		21.7	16.4	ļ	5.3	
Direct research and development		19.0	18.3		0.7	
Stock-based compensation		14.8	3.9)	10.9	
Facility and support services		6.0	2.9)	3.1	
Professional fees		1.0	1.1		(0.1)	
Other research and development		0.8	0.9)	(0.1)	
Total research and development expenses	\$	115.6	\$ 43.5	\$	72.1	

General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses increased to \$267.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$114.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in general and administrative expenses was primarily due to \$115.0 million in acquisition and integration related costs as part of our acquisition of Thrive in January 2021, which primarily consists of integration related stock-based compensation and professional and legal fees incurred. Personnel expenses and stock-based compensation also increased due to an increase in headcount to prepare for future growth in our operations and from our recent acquisitions.

Three Months Ended March 31,					
2021 2020		Change			
\$	131.4	\$	14.5	\$	116.9
	72.5		53.2		19.3
	35.3		21.8		13.5
	15.2		15.4		(0.2)
	13.3		9.1		4.2
\$	267.7	\$	114.0	\$	153.7
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Sales and marketing expenses. Sales and marketing expenses increased to \$186.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$167.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in sales and marketing expenses was primarily due to an increase in direct marketing spend to support the future growth of our products and increased personnel expenses and stock-based compensation as a result of an increase in headcount. This increase was partially offset by a decrease in professional fees as a result of holding our national sales meeting virtually in 2021 due to COVID-19 precautions.

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
Amounts in millions	2021 2020		2020	Change		
Personnel expenses	\$	85.0	\$ 81.0	\$	4.0	
Direct marketing costs		41.4	33.4		8.0	
Professional and legal fees		27.6	32.1		(4.5)	
Facility and support services		17.7	12.3		5.4	
Stock-based compensation		13.2	8.7		4.5	
Other sales and marketing expenses		1.2	0.2		1.0	
Total sales and marketing expenses	\$	186.1	\$ 167.7	\$	18.4	

Amortization of acquired intangible assets. Amortization of acquired intangible assets decreased to \$23.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$23.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The decrease in amortization of acquired intangible assets was primarily due to the write-off of certain acquired intangible assets that were deemed to be impaired in the third quarter of 2020.

Investment income, net. Investment income, net increased to \$31.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in investment income, net was primarily due to the realized gain of \$30.5 million that was recorded on our preferred stock investment in Thrive, which represented the adjustment to our historical investment to its fair value prior to our acquisition of Thrive. Our acquisition of Thrive is further described in Note 17 of our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased to \$4.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$54.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The decrease is primarily due to the loss on settlement of convertible notes of \$50.8 million recorded during three months ended March 31, 2020. Interest expense recorded from our outstanding convertible notes totaled \$4.0 million and \$2.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Of the interest expense recorded on outstanding convertible notes for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, \$1.4 million and \$1.0 million of interest expense relates to amortization of debt discount and debt issuance costs, respectively. The remaining interest expense recorded on outstanding convertible notes relates to the stated interest that is paid out in cash. The convertible notes are further described in Note 9 of our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. In addition, we recognized an immaterial amount of interest expense relating to stated interest expense on our construction loan for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2020.

Income tax benefit. Income tax benefit increased to \$242.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$2.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. This increase in income tax benefit is primarily due to an income tax benefit of \$239.2 million recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2021, as a result of the change in the deferred tax asset valuation allowance resulting from the Thrive Merger.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have financed our operations since inception primarily through public offerings of our common stock and convertible debt and through revenue generated by the sale of our Cologuard test, and since the completion of our Genomic Health combination, of Oncotype IQ tests. As of March 31, 2021, we had approximately \$1.10 billion in unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and approximately \$274.2 million in marketable securities.

The majority of our investments in marketable securities consist of fixed income investments, and all are deemed available-for-sale. The objectives of this portfolio are to provide liquidity and safety of principal while striving to achieve the highest rate of return. Our investment policy limits investments to certain types of instruments issued by institutions with investment grade credit ratings and places restrictions on maturities and concentration by type and issuer.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$77.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to cash use of \$49.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The increase in cash used in operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2021 was primarily due to the increase in operating expenses incurred to prepare for future growth in our business and an increase in costs incurred to process our tests due to the increase in volume. This was partially offset by an increase in cash receipts as a result of an increase in revenue. The increase in revenue was driven by an increase in completed Cologuard, Oncotype IQ, and COVID-19 tests. This was partially offset by an increase in cash payments made related to expenses necessary to process our tests.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$317.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to cash use of \$405.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The decrease in cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to the same period in 2020 was primarily the result of the timing of purchases, sales, and maturities of marketable securities. Excluding the impact of purchases, sales, and maturities of marketable securities, net cash used in investing activities was \$391.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$19.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. Cash use consisted primarily of our acquisition of Thrive of \$343.2 million, our TARDIS license asset acquisition of \$25.0 million, purchases of property and equipment of \$12.9 million, and investments in privately held companies of \$10.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021. Cash use primarily consisted of purchase of property and equipment of \$13.0 million and business combinations of \$6.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020.

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Net cash provided by financing activities was \$7.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2021 compared to \$979.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2020. The cash provided by financing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2021 consisted of proceeds of \$8.8 million from the exercise of stock options, which was partially offset with cash outflows of \$1.5 million for other financing activities. The cash provided by financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2020 was primarily the result of proceeds of \$1.13 billion from our issuance of Convertible Notes with a maturity date of March 1, 2028 (the "2028 Notes"), and we used \$150.1 million of cash to settle a portion of the 2025 Notes. In addition, during the three months ended March 31, 2020 we received proceeds of \$4.3 million from the exercise of stock options.

As described above, on April 14, 2021, we completed the Ashion Acquisition, under which we acquired Ashion in a cash and stock transaction valued at approximately \$89.4 million, which included cash consideration of \$75.0 million on the closing date. On May 3, 2021, we completed the PFS Acquisition, under which we acquired 90% of PFS for cash consideration of \$30.6 million, which was paid at closing.

We expect that cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities on hand at March 31, 2021 will be sufficient to fund our current operations for at least the next twelve months including the cash consideration paid as part of the Ashion Acquisition and PFS Acquisition in April 2021 and May 2021, respectively, based on current operating plans. However, we may need to raise additional capital to fully fund our current strategic plan, which includes successfully commercializing our Cologuard test and Oncotype IQ products and developing a pipeline of future products. Additionally, we may enter into transactions to acquire other businesses, products, services, or technologies as part of our strategic plan. If we are unable to obtain sufficient additional funds to enable us to fund our operations through the completion of such plan, our results of operations and financial condition would be materially adversely affected, and we may be required to delay the implementation of our plan and otherwise scale back our operations. Even if we successfully raise sufficient funds to complete our plan, there is no certainty that we will be successful in generating sufficient cash flow from operations or achieving and maintaining profitable operations in the future to enable us to meet our obligations as they come due.

A table reflecting certain of our specified contractual obligations as of December 31, 2020 was provided in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation of our 2020 Form 10-K. There were no material changes outside the ordinary course of our business in our specified contractual obligations during the three months ended March 31, 2021.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based on our condensed consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. ("GAAP"). The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in our condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates and judgments. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be appropriate under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

While our significant accounting policies are more fully described in Note 1 of our financial statements included in our 2020 Form 10-K, as well as our Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations on our 2020 Form 10-K, we believe that the following accounting policies and judgments are most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results. Other than the adoption of Accounting Standards Update 2020-06 fully discussed in Note 9 of our condensed consolidated financial statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, there have not been any significant changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates during the three months ended March 31, 2021.

Revenue Recognition. Revenues are recognized when we release a result to the ordering healthcare provider, in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to collect in exchange for those services. The amount of revenue we recognize is based on the established billing rates less contractual and other adjustments, which yields the constrained amount that we expect to ultimately collect. We determine the amount we expect to ultimately collect, using historical collections, established reimbursement rates and other adjustments. The expected amount is typically lower than, if applicable, the agreed-upon reimbursement amount due to several factors, such as the amount of any patient co-payments, out-of-network payers, the existence of secondary payers and claim denials. The consideration derived from our contracts is fixed when we contract with a direct bill payer. Our ability to collect is not contingent on the customer's ability to collect through their downstream billing efforts.

In the case of some of our laboratory service agreements ("LSAs") with various organizations, the right to bill and collect exists prior to the receipt of a specimen and release of a test result to the ordering healthcare provider, which results in deferred revenue. The deferred revenue balance is generally relieved upon the release of the applicable patient's test result to the ordering healthcare provider or as of the date the customer has surpassed the window of time in which they are able to exercise their rights for testing services. We believe these points in time represent our fulfillment of our obligations to the customer.

The quality of our billing operations, most notably those activities that relate to obtaining the correct information in order to bill effectively for services provided, directly impacts the collectability of our receivables and revenue estimates. As such, we continually assess the state of our order to cash operations in order to identify areas of risk and opportunity that allow us to appropriately estimate receivables and revenue. Upon ultimate collection, the aggregate amount received from payers and patients where reimbursement was estimated is compared to previous collection estimates and, if necessary, the contractual allowance is adjusted. Finally, should we later determine the judgments underlying estimated collections change, our financial results could be negatively impacted in future quarters.

Business Combinations and Asset Acquisitions. Business Combinations are accounted for under the acquisition method in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 805, Business Combinations. The acquisition method requires identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed and any non-controlling interest in the business acquired be recognized and measured at fair value on the acquisition date, which is the date that the acquirer obtains control of the acquired business. The amount by which the fair value of consideration transferred as the purchase price exceeds the net fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill. Acquisitions that do not meet the definition of a business combination under the ASC are accounted for as asset acquisitions. Asset acquisitions are accounted for by allocating the cost of the acquisition to the individual assets acquired and liabilities assumed on a relative fair value basis. Goodwill is not recognized in an asset acquisition with any consideration in excess of net assets acquired allocated to acquired assets on a relative fair value basis. Transaction costs are expensed in a business combination and are considered a component of the cost of the acquisition in an asset acquisition.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. We evaluate the fair value of long-lived assets, which include property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, and investments in privately held companies, for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of the assets may not be fully recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 1 in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the discussion of Recent Accounting Pronouncements.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of March 31, 2021, we had no off-balance sheet arrangements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to market risk is principally confined to our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities. We invest our cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities in securities of the U.S. governments and its agencies and in investment-grade, highly liquid investments consisting of commercial paper, bank certificates of deposit, and corporate bonds, which as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 were classified as available-for-sale. We place our cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, and marketable securities with high-quality financial institutions, limit the amount of credit exposure to any one institution, and have established investment guidelines relative to diversification and maturities designed to maintain safety and liquidity.

Based on a hypothetical ten percent adverse movement in interest rates, the potential losses in future earnings, fair value of risk-sensitive financial instruments, and cash flows are immaterial, although the actual effects may differ materially from the hypothetical analysis. While we believe our cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, and marketable securities do not contain excessive risk, we cannot provide absolute assurance that, in the future, our investments will not be subject to adverse changes in market value. In addition, we maintain significant amounts of cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, and marketable securities at one or more financial institutions that are in excess of federally insured limits. Given the potential instability of financial institutions, we cannot provide assurance that we will not experience losses on these deposits. We do not utilize interest rate hedging agreements or other interest rate derivative instruments.

A hypothetical ten percent change in interest rates would not have a material adverse impact on our future operating results or cash flows. All of our significant interest-bearing liabilities bear interest at fixed rates and therefore are not subject to fluctuations in market interest rates; however, because these interest rates are fixed, we may be paying a higher interest rate, relative to market, in the future if circumstances change.

Foreign Currency Risk

Substantially all of our revenues are recognized in U.S. dollars, although a small portion is denominated in foreign currency as we continue to expand into markets outside of the U.S. Certain expenses related to our international activities are payable in foreign currencies. As a result, factors such as changes in foreign currency exchange rates or weak economic conditions in foreign markets will affect our financial results.

In September 2017, Genomic Health (now a wholly owned subsidiary) started entering into forward contracts to mitigate the impact of adverse movements in foreign exchange rates related to the re-measurement of monetary assets and liabilities and hedge our foreign currency exchange rate exposure. As of March 31, 2021, we had open foreign currency forward contracts with notional amounts of \$26.4 million. Although the impact of currency fluctuations on our financial results has been immaterial in the past, there can be no guarantee that the impact of currency fluctuations related to our international activities will not be material in the future.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based upon that evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that, as of March 31, 2021, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective. Disclosure controls and procedures enable us to record, process, summarize and report information required to be included in our Exchange Act filings within the required time period. Our disclosure controls and procedures include controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the periodic reports filed with the SEC is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive, financial and accounting officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

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In January 2021, we acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Thrive (see Note 17 of the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements for additional information). As of March 31, 2021, management is in the process of evaluating and integrating the internal controls of Thrive into the Company's existing operations. Other than the controls enhanced or implemented to integrate the Thrive business, there have been no significant changes in internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2021 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II - Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time we are a party to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of our business. Legal proceedings, including litigation, government investigations and enforcement actions could result in material costs, occupy significant management resources and entail civil and criminal penalties. The information called for by this item is incorporated by reference to the information in Note 14 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

We operate in a rapidly changing environment that involves a number of risks that could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results, some of which are beyond our control. In addition to the other information set forth in this report, the risks and uncertainties that we believe are most important for you to consider are discussed in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in the 2020 Form 10-K and in Part II, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. There have been no material changes to the risk factors described in the 2020 Form 10-K.

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

In January 2021, we entered into an amendment to a services and license agreement with The Translational Genomics Research Institute, an affiliate of City of Hope ("TGen"), pursuant to which we acquired a worldwide exclusive license to TGen's proprietary Targeted Digital Sequencing ("TARDIS") technology. As part of the agreement, in January 2021 we issued TGen 191,336 shares of restricted stock.

We believe that the offer and sale of the securities referenced were exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and/or Regulation D promulgated thereunder as transactions not involving any public offering. Use of this exemption is based on the following facts:

- · Neither we nor any person acting on our behalf solicited any offer to buy or sell securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising.
- At the time of the purchase, TGen was an accredited investor, as defined in Rule 501(a) of the Securities Act.
- · TGen has had access to information regarding Exact and is knowledgeable about us and our business affairs.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not applicable.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

Not applicable.

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Item 6. Exhibits

The following documents are filed as part of this Form 10-Q.

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Filed with This Report	Incorporated by Reference herein from Form or Schedule	Filing Date	SEC File / Registration Number
<u>3.1</u>	Sixth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant		S-1 (Exhibit 3.3)	12/4/2000	333-48812
<u>3.2</u>	Amendment to Sixth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant		8-K (Exhibit 3.1)	7/24/2020	001-35092
<u>3.3</u>	Fifth Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant		8-K (Exhibit 3.1)	3/3/2021	001-35092
<u>31.1</u>	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13(a)-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of Securities Exchange Act of 1934	X			
<u>31.2</u>	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13(a)-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of Securities Exchange Act of 1934	X			
<u>32.1</u>	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X			
101	The following materials from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Exact Sciences Corporation for the quarter ended March 31, 2021 filed on May 4, 2021, formatted in Inline eXtensible Business Reporting Language ("iXBRL"): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, (iv) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) related notes to these financial statements	X			
104	The cover page from our Quarterly Report for the period ended March 31, 2021, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 4, 2021, is formatted in Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language ("iXBRL")	X			

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.

EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION

Date: May 4, 2021 By: /s/ Kevin T. Conroy

Kevin T. Conroy

President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 4, 2021 /s/ Jeffrey T. Elliott By:

Jeffrey T. Elliott

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating

Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Kevin T. Conroy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Exact Sciences Corporation (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 officer 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 officer 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.

Date: May 4, 2021 By: /s/ Kevin T. Conroy

Kevin T. Conroy President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Jeffrey T. Elliott, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Exact Sciences Corporation (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 officer 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 officer 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.

Date: May 4, 2021 By: /s/ Jeffrey T. Elliott

Jeffrey T. Elliott

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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 of Exact Sciences Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2021 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), we, Kevin T. Conroy, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company and Jeffrey T. Elliott, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to our knowledge, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 4, 2021 /s/ Kevin T. Conroy

Name: Kevin T. Conroy

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: May 4, 2021 /s/ Jeffrey T. Elliott

Name: Jeffrey T. Elliott

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief

Title: Operating Officer

(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)