

Laboratory information systems

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Name of laboratory information system	LabDaq	CyberLab (version 7.2)
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1991/September 2009	1982/August 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	March 2008	September 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	2,331	156
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	233/300	67/36
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	1,786/7	43/2
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/5 (clinics)	5 (donor, genomic testing, veterinary labs)/3 (reference labs)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	123	4
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	15 (1/2/12 clinics, POLs)	1 (0/1/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	138	1
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	2,637 (6–Dubai, Malawi, Uganda, Virgin Islands)	425+ (25–Jamaica, Malaysia, Singapore)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	not tracked	30%/70%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	25/67/60	20/30/27
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	13/35/27	12/19/27
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	not tracked	15,000–4,000,000 (mean, 650,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	1–150+ (mean, 9–10)	3–250 (mean, 40)
Central hardware or service type	Intel/AMD	Dell, HP
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Delphi, C++, ASP .Net	C, C++, HTML, Java, Cobol
Operating system(s)	Windows 2003, 2008, XP, Vista	Windows, Linux
Databases and tools	Oracle	SQL, Oracle
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	user can define screen labels and error messages in any language
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	65%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	5%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	15%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	15%/2%	100%/2%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	via interface to Medware and Wyndgate blood bank systems
• Surgical pathology/cytology	not available/not available	10%/90%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	2%	60%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	55%	75%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	28%/55%	60%/70%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	40%	5%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	available but not installed/available but not installed
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	25%	100%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	95%/not available	100%/25% via interface to third-party billing system
• Materials management and inventory	not available	not available (but planned)
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	20%/55%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	20%/15%	60%/50%
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	available in 2010
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	100%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	5%
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/installed	2%/15%
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	2%
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	no
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	—
Client software required	browser based	—
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	218	—
How data center is operated	by vendor	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	available but not in use	1 site
• Other reportable diseases	14 sites	2 sites
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	available but not in use	2 sites
Information systems interfaced	Cerner, CPSI, Healthland, McKesson, Meditech, Siemens, Misys, GE Healthcare, Allscripts, eClinicalWorks, Greenway, IKnowMed, NextGen, others	Allscripts, McKesson, Siemens, Cerner, Sunquest, Meditech, CPSI, Healthland, Eclipsys, NextGen, VitalWorks, Atlas, Telcor, Misys, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Siemens, Roche	planned to Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, others
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (proprietary)	yes (test environment, testing scripts)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (Quest, LabCorp, CodeMap)/yes	yes (ICD-9 table from CMS)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	yes (65%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	450+	500+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via Internet; in person four times per year)	escrow/yes (meets via Webinars biannually; in person; monthly calls; forums)
User can modify screens?	no (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL	SQL (ODBC compliant)
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$1.7k/\$6k/\$0.1k	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$75k/\$500k/\$5k	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rules can be created for ordering, processing results, results delivery, billing, and more complete system integration with EMR, billing, HIS, and reference laboratories experienced and responsive support staff; 98 percent of calls are answered by support personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 30 years of experience working with clinical reference, hospital, and clinic laboratories and offering cost-effective hybrid LISs user-defined, rules-based system offering robust functionality based on user policies and procedures integrated with Aspyra's RIS and PACS for enterprise-wide data and image sharing
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
***other=sales, marketing, administration, and other company functions		
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Name of laboratory information system	Cerner Millennium PathNet	Clin1 Laboratory†
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1982/August 2009	1988/August 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	August 2009	August 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	301	200+
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	263/1	50+/140+
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	1/1	10+/-
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/35 (hospitals)	3/-
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	29	4
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	35 (35/0/0)	1 (1/0/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	—	—
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	301 (35–Canada, Saudi Arabia, Germany, U.K., Singapore, others)	—
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	80%/20%	10%/90%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	1,609/3,277/2,618	3/5/3
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	133/141/146	3/5/3
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	<500,000–21,000,000	—
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	not tracked	1–50
Central hardware or service type	HP, Compaq, IBM RS/6000	Dell, IBM compatible
How central server failure is handled	system continues uninterrupted	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Java, Visual Basic, C++, Visual C	4GL
Operating system(s)	HP-UX, AIX, VMS	Windows
Databases and tools	Oracle	4GL
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	French, German, Spanish	—
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	95%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	55%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	10%	30%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	installed	5%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	100%/installed	25%/-
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	75%	—
• Surgical pathology/cytology	75%/75%	5%/5%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	10%/10%	—
• Flow cytometry	50%	—
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	100%	75%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	100%/100%	75%/100%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	45%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/in development	75%/-
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	90%/90%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	90%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	50%	40%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	installed/10%	75%/10%
• Materials management and inventory	installed	15%
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	installed/installed	100%/75%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	less than 10%/less than 10%	30%/30%
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	90%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	100%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	10%	—
• Environmental health/newborn screening	installed/installed	—
• Stem cell laboratory	installed	—
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	yes
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	transaction based	fixed fee
Client software required	browser based or requires that software be installed on a client PC	browser based
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	279	—
How data center is operated	by vendor	by vendor
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	48 sites	3 sites
• Other reportable diseases	48 sites	available but not in use
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	1 site	available but not in use
Information systems interfaced	McKesson, Siemens, Epic, Eclipsys, Meditech, others	Siemens, Healthland, Medical Manager, Allscripts, MedicaLogic, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott, others	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott, others
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (certification guidelines, documentation, consulting services)	—
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/yes	—/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	yes	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (50%)	yes (25%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	811	300+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via Internet quarterly; in person annually)	—/yes (meets via Internet; in person)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	no (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	Cerner Discern Explorer	any ODBC-compliant reporting tool, including SQL, MS Access, Crystal Reports
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—/\$10k/percent of total
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—/\$250k/percent of total
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 years of continuous innovation in the LIS market • support for increased efficiencies through key capabilities such as online secondary review (pre- and post-verification), autoverification throughout multiple departments, expert rules, integrated document imaging for requisitions, advanced quality control, more • support for the entire clinical lab within a single LIS and EMR architecture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • versatile and flexible for any size facility • Web access and customization available • fully integrated with other hospital departments and systems
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
***other=sales, marketing, administration, and other company functions		
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Name of laboratory information system	ClinLab	Polytech
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1987/July 2009	1981/July 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	July 2009	July 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	50	99
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	5/15	26/6
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	19/1	36/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	9/1 (hospital)	1 (veterinary)/30 (national and regional hospital labs)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	15
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	1 (0/1/0)	1 (1/0/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	16
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	50 (1–Saudi Arabia)	133 (40–Eritrea, Ethiopia, Phillipines, Bhutan)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	10%/90%	13%/87%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	2/3/2	6/4/5
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	2/3/2	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	25,000–500,000 (mean, 100,000)	30,000–110,000 (mean, 50,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	2–100 (mean, 15)	1–38 (mean, 8)
Central hardware or service type	PC based	any (client supplied)
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	system continues uninterrupted
Programming language(s)	Microsoft .Net, Delphi	C++
Operating system(s)	all Windows	Windows Vista, XP, NT, 2000, 98
Databases and tools	Sybase Advantage, SQL	Pervasive
System includes full transaction logging?	depends on database, server customer chooses	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	available but not installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	available but not installed
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	90%/10%	13%/available but not installed
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	available but not installed/available but not installed	not available/2%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	available but not installed/available but not installed	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	installed	2%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	80%	71%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	80%/80%	38%/47%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	90%	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/available but not installed	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	60%	22%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/not available	100%/67%
• Materials management and inventory	not available	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	installed/60%	100%/95%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	not available
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	60%/60%	installed/27%
• Specimen management and tracking	10%	not available
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	30%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	installed/not available	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	—	fixed fee
Client software required	—	requires that software be installed on a client PC
ASP information conduit	—	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	0
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	1 site	not available
• Other reportable diseases	1 site	not available
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	1 site	not available
Information systems interfaced	Meditech, Cerner, Atlas, CSS, Misys, CareEvolve, Allscripts, eClinicalWorks, GE Healthcare, Pyramed, Medical Manager, others	GE Healthcare, Siemens, Intermed, Healthland, eClinicalWorks, Healthmatics, Misys, Medical Manager, Cerner, VitalWorks, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Siemens, Olympus America, Roche	no
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	no
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/no	yes/no
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	yes
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	no
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	300+	230+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/no	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL	SQL, Pervasive, ODBC, built-in query capability
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—/\$10k/\$0.125k	0/\$15k/\$0.15k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—/\$300k/—	0/\$145k/\$1.29k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • custom software • external system interface flexibility • specialized support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extensive rules-based capabilities allow customization of system functionality • standard HL-7-based interfacing capabilities to other systems • requires little to no IT department support; low network bandwidth requirements
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	CPSI System	CLS 2000
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1986/September 2009	1980/August 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	February 2009	September 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	414	99
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	413/1	0/79
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/0	16/2
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	1 (contract research)/1 (reference lab)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	35	7
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	11 (11/0/0)	2 (0/2/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	35	9
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	414 (0)	99 (1–Canada)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	1%/99%	42%/58%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	152/503/340	6/9/5
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	49/220/0	6/9/5
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	148,000–665,000 (mean, 310,000)	22,587–3,387,261 (mean, 757,231)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	6–500 (mean, 100)	2–58 (mean, 15)
Central hardware or service type	IBM x3850	IBM
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Visual C++, AcuCobol	C++
Operating system(s)	Red Hat Linux	AIX 6.1
Databases and tools	Acucorp	MS SQL, MySQL, Lab Base
System includes full transaction logging?	no	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	16%	not available
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	1%	not available
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	100%/0	86%/not available
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	0	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	1%/1%	12%/31%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	0/0	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	0	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	100%	0
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	100%/100%	67%/81%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	100%	81%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	100%/100%	40%/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	74%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	100%	42%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/100%	100%/82%
• Materials management and inventory	100%	0
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	25%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	40%/10%	52%/41%
• Specimen management and tracking	not available	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	100%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	0	0
• Environmental health/newborn screening	0/0	0/0
• Stem cell laboratory	0	0
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	fixed fee
Client software required	browser based or requires that software be installed on a client PC	browser based
ASP information conduit	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	26	39
How data center is operated	by vendor	by vendor
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	not available	not available
• Other reportable diseases	not available	not available
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	not available	not available
Information systems interfaced	—	Aspyra, McKesson, Misys, SCC Soft Computer, eClinicalWorks, Medisoft, GE Healthcare, NextGen, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	planned to Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, A&T Corp., Roche	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Olympus America, Roche, Abbott
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	yes (Ingenix)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (Micromedex, 3M NEBO, Caremedics)/yes	yes (Ingenix, CSS)/no
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	no
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (2%)	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	357 (Dawning Technologies for interface)	~350
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (online forum; eight regional and one national meeting per year)	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	CPSI ad hoc reports, optional ODBC database	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$95.586k/\$250k/\$4.583k	\$7.5k/\$15k/\$0.25k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$496.986k/\$643.353k/\$7.934k	\$50k/\$200k/\$2.7k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fully integrated EMR HIS/LIS build libraries and data dictionaries as a standard part of installation and conversion on-site training and support for all end users (not train the trainer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> end-to-end reference lab automation, including comprehensive Web-based outreach, production-oriented LIS, and full lab billing software patient payment portal allows patients to see their statements online and pay electronically using a credit card or electronic check StatisticsViewGenerator data warehouse with ad hoc reporting across all LIS and billing data
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Laboratory information systems

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Name of laboratory information system	StarLab	EpicLab Laboratory Information System
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1984/April 2005	1980/September 2008
Last major product release for featured LIS	—	August 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	19	3
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	17/1	2/0
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	1/0	1/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	0/0
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	—	0
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	1 (1/0/0)	61 (60/0/1–Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	—	16
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	19	34 (0)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	5%/95%	3%/97%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	8/9/12	1,450/1,700/150
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	4/6/3	25/14/1
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	—	0
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	2–80	1–21
Central hardware or service type	IBM xSeries	HP 9000, HP Integrity, Sun Sparc, IBM p5 Series
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	system continues uninterrupted
Programming language(s)	Cobol	Visual Basic, Caché, .Net
Operating system(s)	Linux	Unix, Windows
Databases and tools	T-ISAM	Chronicles Extended Relational Database Management System
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	80%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	5%	available but not installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	available but not installed
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	10%/—	100%/available but not installed
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	installed/installed	available but not installed/available but not installed
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	—	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	—	available in 2011
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	80%	100%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	80%/80%	100%/100%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	available but not installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	35%/—	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	45%/available but not installed	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	10%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	50%	available but not installed
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/10%	not available/100%
• Materials management and inventory	available but not installed	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	available but not installed/75%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	10%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	available but not installed/available but not installed	available but not installed/available but not installed
• Specimen management and tracking	installed	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	—	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	—	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	—	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	—	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	no
Method of charging for ASP service	—	—
Client software required	—	—
ASP information conduit	—	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	—
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	—	not available
• Other reportable diseases	—	not available
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	—	not available
Information systems interfaced	—	integrated with EpicCare inpatient clinical system, EpicCare ambulatory EMR
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	planned	available through middleware such as Data Innovations
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	yes (Data Integrity, testing toolkits)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/no	yes (LOINC)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	no	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (20%)	yes (0)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	42 (Dawning Technologies for interface)	15 (Data Innovations or customer's choice for interface)
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/no	yes/yes (meets in person annually)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	Microsoft Access, other PC-based tools	Reporting Workbench, SQL Report Writer, ODBC Open Access
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$25k/\$35k/\$0.6k	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$250k/\$350k/\$6k	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> standardized screens and functions make system easy to use total system integration eliminates duplication of work effort developed from the clinical perspective with an emphasis on results reporting to improve efficiency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> part of integrated suite of applications, providing seamless data transfer from LIS to the patient's chart without the need for interfaces includes an integrated anatomic pathology module that communicates with the clinical module, allowing seamless workflows between core lab, microbiology, surgical pathology, and cytology labs customer base has the opportunity to contribute to the design and direction of the application
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	eTeleNext LIS	FFlex eSuite LIS [†]
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	2004/June 2009	1972/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	February 2009	May 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	14	126
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	0/14	18/23
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/0	79/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	2 (prison laboratories, equipment vendors)/4
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	60
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	2 (0/2/0)	16 (1/4/11—group practices, clinics, county health)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	16	76
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	14 (0)	250+ (5—Bahamas, Virgin Islands)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	30%/70%	30%/70%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	9/3/3	9/14.5/12.5
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	9/3/3	9/14.5/12.5
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	12,845–104,341	10,000–5,000,000
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	40–175 (mean, 108)	1–75
Central hardware or service type	IBM, Dell, others	Dell
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation
Programming language(s)	C++ .Net	Java
Operating system(s)	Windows server 2003	Linux, Windows
Databases and tools	SQL	Oracle, Microsoft SQL server, Microsoft SQL Express, MySQL, Unify
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	not available
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	not available
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	30%/10%	10%/not available
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	10%	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	95%/85%	not available/not available
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	95%/95%	not available/available but not installed
• Flow cytometry	95%	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	available but not installed	70%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	65%/80%	40%/60%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	80%	100%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	10%/5%	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	10%/100%	30%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	55%	75%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/25%	40%/10%
• Materials management and inventory	not available	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	—/100%	75%/95%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	100%/40%	85%/100%
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	60%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	40%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	yes
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	fixed fee
Client software required	browser based	browser based or requires that software be installed on a client PC
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	2	4
How data center is operated	by a third party	by a third party
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	available but not in use	not available
• Other reportable diseases	available but not in use	not available
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	available but not in use	not available
Information systems interfaced	Cortex, GE Healthcare, Misys, Meditech, Cerner	McKesson, Cerner, Misys, GE Healthcare, Epic, iMedica, NextGen, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	available but not yet operational to Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Olympus America, Roche, Abbott, Bayer	Roche
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (proprietary)	yes (internally developed)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/yes	yes (Yost Engineering, CodeMap)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	24 (Data Innovations and Dawning Technologies for interface)	500+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via Internet every six months)	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL, ODBC, XML, HL7	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—/\$50k/\$0.5k	\$0.7k/\$3.5k/\$0.103k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—/\$299k/\$2k	—/\$200k/\$1.533k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> advanced Web-based technology customized, user-defined reporting solution proven outreach solution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> many Web-based modules; provide outreach and integrate multiple sites, systems, and devices seamlessly, securely, and in real time 30 years in LIS industry with more than 1,500 LIS customers proven Web-based technology that can be scaled from small POLs to the largest independent labs
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	LabPak LIS	Centricity Laboratory†
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1972/May 2008	1990/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	spring 2008	2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	1,460	43
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	230/36	14/3
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	1,124/0	1/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	40/30 (hospitals, POLs)	0/25
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	3	1
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	0	0
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	0	1
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	1,500+ (30–Canada, Bahamas)	220+ (sites in Australia, New Zealand, U.K., Canada, India, Hong Kong, others)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	0/100%	75%/25%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	9/14.5/12.5	45,000 total
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	9/14.5/12.5	31/41/6
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	2,000–3,000,000	not tracked
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	5–40	20–500+ (mean, 200)
Central hardware or service type	Dell	IBM RS/6000, Sun Solaris, HP-UX
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	C++, Java	C, C++, 4GL, Java
Operating system(s)	Windows	Unix
Databases and tools	Pervasive	Unify Dataserver
System includes full transaction logging?	no	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	95%
• Bar-coded collection labels	60%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	8%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	installed
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	30%/not available	80%/installed
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	12%
• Surgical pathology/cytology	not available/installed	40%/40%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	not available/available but not installed	installed/installed
• Flow cytometry	not available	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	50%	100%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	30%/75%	80%/90%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	100%	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	10%	installed
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/50%	installed/90%
• Materials management and inventory	0	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	20%/100%	100%/installed
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	—	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	20%/20%	installed/not available
• Specimen management and tracking	0	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	100%	installed
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	no
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	—
Client software required	browser based or requires that software be installed on a client PC	—
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	0	—
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	—	installed (HL7 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 supported)††
• Other reportable diseases	—	installed (HL7 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 supported)††
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	—	installed (HL7 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 supported)††
Information systems interfaced	TechTime, CPSI, Healthland, QSI, Experior, iMedica, eClinicalWorks, Medical Manager, NextGen, GE Healthcare, Emdeon, Pyramed, others	Affinity, Epic, McKesson, GE Healthcare, Meditech, Siemens, MediSolution, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	no	Beckman Coulter, Siemens, Ortho, Roche, Abbott, Bayer, Labtronics
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	no
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/no	yes (from any vendor that can provide data in GE-specified format)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	no
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	yes (80%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	500+	300+ (Data Innovations and GE for interface)
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	no/no	escrow/yes (meets in person every 12 to 18 months)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	—	SQL, ODBC-compliant query tools and languages
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	\$100k/\$100k/\$1.5k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	\$250k/\$1.5m/\$22.5k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> comprehensive, feature-rich system at a reasonable cost 30 years in LIS industry with more than 1,500 LIS customers and more than 60 host system vendor partners intuitive, easy-to-use screens simplify training and facilitate daily operation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> proven high-volume processing for multi-site and single-lab operations all laboratory modules available on one integrated relational database flexible and scalable
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
***other=sales, marketing, administration, and other company functions		
Note: a dash in lieu of an answer means company did not answer question or question is not applicable		
		†formerly Triple G Ultra ††don't track No. of sites installed

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Name of laboratory information system	TDSynergy [†]	Lab/Hex
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1972/September 2009	1981/June 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	February 2009	June 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	765+	139
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	8/1	9/68
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	—	42/1
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	1/760	9 (veterinary, research)/10 (independent)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	3	3
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	2 (2/0/0)	1 (0/1/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	4
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	765+ (sites in Canada, France, Italy, Zambia, U.K., Germany, Phillipines, others)	152 (10–Mideast)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	60%/40%	50%/50%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	425 total	4/7/3
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	79/25/7	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	140,000–5,200,000 (mean, 675,000)	250,000–18,000,000+ (mean, 3,500,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	1–700 (mean, 40)	3–64 (mean, 24)
Central hardware or service type	Sun, Unix, Linux, Windows, IBM, HP	Dell PowerEdge
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	C++, Java	Thoroughbred
Operating system(s)	Sun, Windows XP, 2003, 2000, Unix, Linux	Linux
Databases and tools	SQL server, Oracle	—
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	French, Spanish, Dutch, Flemish, Chinese, Italian, German, Korean	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	95%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	6%	2%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	5%	2%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	85%/available but not installed	100%/1%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	35%	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	40%/35%	50%/100%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	5%/5%	1%/1%
• Flow cytometry	5%	1%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	85%	50%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	25%/45%	75%/75%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	5%	50%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	—	50%/50%
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	55%	75%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	6%/55%	100%/75%
• Materials management and inventory	3%	1%
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	40%/35%	75%/75%
• Specimen management and tracking	25%	10%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	100%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	available but not installed	available but not installed
• Environmental health/newborn screening	available but not installed/65%	available but not installed/available but not installed
• Stem cell laboratory	5%	available but not installed
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	—	fixed fee
Client software required	—	browser based
ASP information conduit	—	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	50
How data center is operated	—	by vendor
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	not available	available but not in use
• Other reportable diseases	not available	available but not in use
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	3 sites	available but not in use
Information systems interfaced	Meditech, Misys, Healthvision, SCC Soft Computer, McKesson, self developed, others	McKesson, Cerner, Sunquest, PSI, Siemens, Experior, Hearts, WebMD, Practice Partners, Allscripts, GE Healthcare, proprietary, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Roche, Bayer	Roche
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (self developed)	yes (Hex)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (SNOMED, Info-X, NCCLS)/yes	yes (Medicare, CodeMap, others)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (80%)	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	475	250+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets in person annually)	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	no (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL, Access, Excel, Crystal Reports	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$6k/\$30k/\$6k	\$5k/\$10k/\$0.25k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$300k/\$2m/\$33k	\$50k/\$180k/\$2.5k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> proactive turnaround time and management-alerting system multilingual easy to use and sophisticated rules-based logic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> flexible; user definable; easy to use billing fully integrated or standalone with electronic HIPAA-compliant billing, remittance, financial and management reports; plans for 5010 and ICD-10 in place stable, reliable system with personalized customer support 24/7, on-site hardware support, and annual software upgrades at no charge
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
***other=sales, marketing, administration, and other company functions		
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Name of laboratory information system	IntelliLab	LabNet
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	2003/September 2008	1992/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	September 2008	2008
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	65	300+
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	1/2	61/47
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	60/1	180/3
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/1 (educational)	3 (research)/0
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	6
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	1 (0/0/1—clinic/group practice)	1 (0/1/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	1	1
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	177 (5–Canada)	317 (1–Trinidad)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	30%/70%	30%/70%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	150/150/200	3/2/2
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	5/6/6	3/2/2
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	20,000–500,000	1,000–1,000,000 (mean, 10,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	3–50 (mean, 15)	1–77 (mean, 3)
Central hardware or service type	Dell, HP	Dell
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Visual Basic, C++	Delphi
Operating system(s)	Windows 2000, 2003, XP, Vista	Windows
Databases and tools	mvBase	Microsoft SQL
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	—
Languages (other than English) offered on system	—	—
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	not available
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	—	30%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	20%/not available	20%/2%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	not available/not available	2%/not available
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	not available	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	installed	90%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	85%/85%	70%/70%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	20%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	30%/50%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	installed	25%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/10%	70%/100%
• Materials management and inventory	not available	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	100%/50%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	not available
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	installed/installed	30%/30%
• Specimen management and tracking	not available	60%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	not available	not available
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	—	fixed fee
Client software required	—	browser based
ASP information conduit	—	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	13
How data center is operated	—	by a third party
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	available but not in use	—
• Other reportable diseases	available but not in use	—
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	not available	—
Information systems interfaced	Siemens, Healthland, Impac, NextGen, GE Healthcare, Allscripts, QSI, MedicaLogic, HealthWorks, Varian	GE Healthcare, Epic, Misys, Cerner, Meditech, Siemens, SCC Soft Computer, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	no	Beckman Coulter, Olympus America
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	no
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	no/yes	yes (CodeMap)/no
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	no
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	no	—
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (50%)	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	400 (Dawning Technologies and Data Innovations for interface)	200+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets in person annually)	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	no (offer user-defined report writer)	no (offer custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	AQL, SQL with ODBC	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$10k/\$25k/—	\$3.5k/\$6k/\$1k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$30k/\$200k/—	\$30k/\$150k/\$18k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fully integrated with Impac's medical oncology information system • reflex rules engine • quality control module 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • intuitive: easy to learn and use • flexible and user definable • high value and reliable
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	Horizon Lab	Meditech Laboratory Information System-6.0
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1972/August 2009	1970/April 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	March 2009	April 2008
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	115	not tracked
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	110/2	—
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/0	—
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/3 (hospitals)	—
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	15	1 (site)
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	10 (10/0/0)	2 (sites)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	5	—
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	197 (3–Canada, Saudi Arabia)	2 (0)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	85%/15%	—
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	32,000 total–McKesson; 9,000 total–McKesson Provider Technologies	643/1,577/499
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	80 total	22/80/5
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	not tracked	not tracked
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	10–400 (mean, 35)	not tracked
Central hardware or service type	HP, IBM, Dell	JJWild, Dell, IBM, EMC, HP, others
How central server failure is handled	system continues uninterrupted	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Delphi, C, Java, .Net	Meditech Magic
Operating system(s)	Windows, Red Hat Enterprise Linux	client: Windows 2000, XP, Vista; server: Windows 2000, 2003
Databases and tools	Oracle, HP-UX, AIX, Linux	Meditech hierarchical database
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	Spanish in development
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	installed	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	installed	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	installed	installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	installed	installed
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	installed/installed	100%/installed
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	installed (transfusion only; donor through Horizon blood bank product)	installed
• Surgical pathology/cytology	through Horizon AP product/through Horizon AP product	installed/installed
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	through Horizon AP product	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	installed	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	installed/installed	installed/installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	through Horizon AP product	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	installed/installed	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	installed	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	through Horizon OutReach for Lab	installed
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	installed/through Horizon Lab Financials	installed/installed
• Materials management and inventory	not available	installed
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	installed/installed	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	installed	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	through Horizon OutReach for Lab/through Horizon OutReach for Lab	installed/installed
• Specimen management and tracking	installed	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	installed	installed
• HLA (tissue typing)	installed	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	installed/installed	installed/installed
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	no
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	—
Client software required	physician order entry browser based; LIS deployed on client or via Citrix	—
ASP information conduit	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	1	—
How data center is operated	by vendor	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	9 sites (HL7 2.3 in operation)	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)
• Other reportable diseases	9 sites (HL7 2.3 in operation)	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	not available	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)
Information systems interfaced	McKesson, Siemens, GE Healthcare, Meditech, Cerner, Epic, Atlas, SCC Soft Computer, Sunquest, homegrown, others	Cerner, Siemens, McKesson, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	interfaces to lab automation systems available through Data Innovations	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Roche, Bayer
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (internal McKesson tools)	yes (proprietary)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (CMS, ICD-9, CPT, others)/no	yes (Info-X, SNOMED)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (50%)	yes
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	350+ (Data Innovations for interface)	1,000+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets in person annually)	yes/yes (meets via Internet; in person)
User can modify screens?	no (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	any ODBC software package	Meditech Magic
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advanced bi-directional pharmacy integration with McKesson's pharmacy information solution • Support Center Practices (SCP) certified for eight consecutive years • substantially decreased total cost of ownership with availability of Linux platform 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • integrated with clinical, administrative, and financial applications • provides the flexibility to serve a range of organizations—from small community labs to multi-site university labs and large IDNs • automates time-consuming tasks such as paperwork, phone calls, and results verification
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	Meditech Laboratory Information System—Client/Server	Meditech Laboratory Information System—Magic
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1970/August 2009	1970/June 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	April 2008	July 2008
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	not tracked	not tracked
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	—	—
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	—	—
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	—	—
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	43 (sites)	12 (sites)
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	39 (sites)	9 (sites)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	24 (sites)	18 (sites)
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	360 (30–Canada, Singapore, Bahamas, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom)	805 (68–Ireland, United Kingdom)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	—	—
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	643/1,577/499	643/1,577/499
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	22/80/5	22/80/5
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	not tracked	not tracked
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	not tracked	not tracked
Central hardware or service type	JJWild, Dell, IBM, EMC, HP, others	JJWild, Dell, IBM, EMC, HP, others
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Meditech Magic	Meditech Magic
Operating system(s)	client: Windows 2000, XP, Vista; server: Windows 2000, 2003	Windows 2000 Professional, XP, Vista
Databases and tools	Meditech hierarchical database	Meditech hierarchical database
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	no
Languages (other than English) offered on system	Spanish in development	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	installed	installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	installed	installed
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	100%/installed	100%/installed
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	installed	installed
• Surgical pathology/cytology	installed/installed	installed/installed
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Flow cytometry	not available	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	installed	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	installed/installed	installed/installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	installed	installed
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	installed/installed	installed/installed
• Materials management and inventory	installed	installed
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	installed/installed	installed/installed
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	installed	installed
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	installed/installed	installed/installed
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	no
Method of charging for ASP service	—	—
Client software required	—	—
ASP information conduit	—	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	—
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)	HL7 in operation as an A/D/T interface (No. of sites unknown)
• Other reportable diseases	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)	HL7 in operation as an A/D/T interface (No. of sites unknown)
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	HL7 in operation (Meditech does not track No. of sites using HL7)	HL7 in operation as an A/D/T interface (No. of sites unknown)
Information systems interfaced	Cerner, Siemens, McKesson, others	Cerner, Siemens, McKesson, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Roche, Bayer	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Roche, Bayer
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (proprietary)	yes (proprietary)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (Info-X, SNOMED)/yes	yes (Info-X, SNOMED)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes	yes
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	1,000+	1,000+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	yes/yes (meets via Internet; in person)	yes/yes (meets via Internet; in person)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer)	yes (offer user-defined report writer)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	Meditech Magic	Meditech Magic
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	—	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • integrated with clinical, administrative, and financial applications • provides flexibility to serve a range of organizations—from small community labs to multi-site university labs and large IDNs • automates time-consuming tasks such as paperwork, phone calls, and results verification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • integrated with clinical, administrative, and financial applications • provides flexibility to serve a range of organizations—from small community labs to multi-site university labs and large IDNs • automates time-consuming tasks such as paperwork, phone calls, and results verification
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	MultiTech LIS	AutoLims
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1983/2005	1996/August 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	2009	July 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	41	14
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	7/33	2/7
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	1/0	0/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	0/5 (hospitals, central laboratories)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	0	1
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	0	0
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	0	1
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	41 (0)	43 (35–Israel, India)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	45%/55%	90%/10%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	4/5/2	58/38/15
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	—	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	50,000–5,500,000	400,000–10,000,000 (mean, 1,500,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	4–120+ (mean, 30)	19–550 (mean, 60)
Central hardware or service type	Intel x86 compatible, most Unix RISC, HP Alpha	IBM, Dell, HP, others
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	system continues uninterrupted
Programming language(s)	Caché (M), Visual Basic, HTML, Java, Javascript	C++, Visual Basic, Java, .Net, Flex
Operating system(s)	Windows, Linux	Windows 2000, 2003, XP, Linux, Unix
Databases and tools	Caché (M)	Oracle, Microsoft SQL 2000, 2005, Caché
System includes full transaction logging?	optional	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	Hebrew
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	90%	95%
• Bar-coded collection labels	90%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	—	available but not installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	—	not available
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	80%/—	85%/25%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	—	40%
• Surgical pathology/cytology	15%/40%	30%/55%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	20%/—	15%/10%
• Flow cytometry	25%	10%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	30%	75%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	30%/30%	55%/40%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	15%	available but not installed
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	—	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	40%/90%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	90%	100%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	80%/90%	50%/40%
• Materials management and inventory	20%	available but not installed
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/80%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	90%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	35%/25%	60%/50%
• Specimen management and tracking	10%	60%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	50%	70%
• HLA (tissue typing)	—	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	—	10%/40%
• Stem cell laboratory	—	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	no
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	—
Client software required	browser based	—
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	5	—
How data center is operated	by vendor	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	1 site	15% of sites
• Other reportable diseases	20 sites	20% of sites
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	—	25% of sites
Information systems interfaced	Epic, GE, NextGen, eClinicalWorks, Cerner, Siemens, Netsmart, Reliable Health, Smart Management, Compliance Information Systems	Eclipsys, GE Healthcare, Siemens, Misys, Cerner
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Sysmex, Siemens, Bayer	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott, Bayer
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	no	yes (complete test environment)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (PMIC, CMS)/optional	yes (Info-X, AMA, Quest, Specialty, SNOMED, CodeMap)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	no	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	125+	150+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/no	escrow/yes (meets in person biannually)
User can modify screens?	no (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	any ODBC compliant, including Crystal Reports, SQL, Access	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$20k/\$50k/\$0.75k	\$30k/\$80k/\$1k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$250k/\$400k/\$5k	\$700k/\$2.8m/\$55k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extensive capabilities for integrating commercial labs with large-scale and networked primary care organizations • complete billing, A/R, and management reporting for commercial labs and hospital outreach, including electronic eligibility, authorization, and more • integrated document-management system for imaging/retrieval of requisitions and related documents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • technology variety and flexibility—Windows system with Web, HTML, choice of database, others • customizable—tailored for any environment and work procedure • integrated—all lab disciplines and billing in one database
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Laboratory information systems

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Name of laboratory information system	Omnilab [†]	Orchard Harvest LIS
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1994/2009	1993/September 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	2007	September 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	98	946
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	4/1	209/111
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/0	549/18
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/93	59 (universities, student health centers, research, veterinarian labs)/0
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	6	84
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	7 (4/3/0)	20 (4/3/13—clinics, POLs, student health labs)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	6	104
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	150 (145–Canada, Belgium)	1,117
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	35%/65%	40%/60%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	30/16/10	27/73/40
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	28/14/10	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	20,000–10,000,000 (mean, 150,000)	5,000–4,000,000 (mean, 500,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	4–300 (mean, 50)	1–500 (mean, 30)
Central hardware or service type	Dell, IBM, HP	HP Business Class
How central server failure is handled	system continues uninterrupted	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	Visual Basic 6, Visual Basic .Net	4D, C++, Java, HTML
Operating system(s)	Windows 2003, 2008	Windows 2000, XP Professional, Vista, Windows Server 2003 standard edition
Databases and tools	SQL 2008	4D, SQL
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	French, Spanish, Portuguese	—
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	94%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	available but not installed	available but not installed
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	available but not installed	1%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	75%/available but not installed	15%/1%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	available but not installed	not available
• Surgical pathology/cytology	20%/14%	4%/5%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	available but not installed/available but not installed	1%/1%
• Flow cytometry	not available	2%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	not available	90%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	not available/75%	60%/65%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	50%	15%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	13%	20%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	20%/8%	100%/not available
• Materials management and inventory	not available	20%
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/80%	25%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	installed	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	20%/20%	65%/60%
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	10%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	10%	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	1%/2%
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	available but not installed
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	transaction based	fixed fee
Client software required	browser based	browser based
ASP information conduit	operates over the Internet	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	40	1
How data center is operated	by a third party	by vendor
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	available but not in use	5 sites
• Other reportable diseases	available but not in use	5 sites
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	available but not in use	available but not in use
Information systems interfaced	McKesson, Healthvision, Momentum Healthcare, Per-Sé, Sphere Health, Mardon Healthcare, Siemens	Allscripts, NextGen, CPSI, Healthland, HealthQuest, Misys, GE Healthcare, NetSolutions, Meditech, QuadraMed, Impac, Medisoft, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Roche	Beckman Coulter, Ortho, Roche
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes	yes (proprietary)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes/yes	no/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (97%)	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	300+ (Data Innovations for interface)	400+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets in person annually)	escrow/yes (meets via Internet unlimited; in person 14 times per year)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL, ODBC	ODBC-compliant query languages
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$10k/\$75k/\$1.125k	\$12k/\$20k/\$0.25k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$200k/\$1m/\$15k	\$100k/\$800k/\$6k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hybrid design to support hospital, commercial, and esoteric labs • functional leader in the industry • industry standard-setter for implementation and support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rules-based advanced decision support logic • interfacing and integration with other host systems, departments, and reference labs • industry leader in product development, service, and support
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	LabWeb	LabHealth
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1976/2009	1984/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	2006	2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	20	43
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	15/3	3/23
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/2	17/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	0/0
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	3
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	2 (1/1/0)	—
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	2	—
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	18 (0)	13
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	22%/78%	—
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	16/20/9	4/4/1
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	5/5/2	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	—	—
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	1–120 (mean, 20)	5–150
Central hardware or service type	HP, Pentium compatible	Dell
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	system continues uninterrupted
Programming language(s)	Visual Basic, .Net, C, Fortran	Basic, ASP .Net
Operating system(s)	Windows Vista, XP, NT, 2000, Open VMS	Windows, Linux
Databases and tools	Microsoft SQL, Oracle, Crystal Reports	multi-value DBMS
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	—	—
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	95%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	95%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	available but not installed	50%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	available but not installed	25%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	33%/not available	80%/75%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	40%	—
• Surgical pathology/cytology	33%/33%	35%/40%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	10%/10%	—
• Flow cytometry	10%	—
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	90%	60%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	75%/75%	100%/100%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	30%	80%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	25%/not available	90%/—
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/25%	100%/80%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	90%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	100%	90%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	20%/not available	90%/100%
• Materials management and inventory	available but not installed	80%
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	100%/100%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	35%/40%	80%/90%
• Specimen management and tracking	installed	80%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	not available	75%
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	—
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	—
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	—
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	yes
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	yes
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee	fixed fee
Client software required	browser based or requires that software be installed on a client PC	browser based
ASP information conduit	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection	operates over the Internet
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	1	35
How data center is operated	by vendor	by vendor
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	available but not in use	—
• Other reportable diseases	available but not in use	—
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	2 sites	—
Information systems interfaced	Meditech, McKesson, CPSI, Siemens, QuadraMed, Cerner, Misys, Keane, SysCore, Seacoast Laboratory Data Systems, others	—
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Ortho, Olympus America, Roche	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (proprietary and blood bank guidelines)	—
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (CodeMap)/yes	—/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	yes	yes
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes (43%)	no
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	350+ (Dawning Technologies for interface)	—
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via Internet quarterly; in person biannually)	yes/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	Microsoft SQL, ODBC compliant	—
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$4k/\$20k/—	\$5k/\$10k/\$0.5k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$100k/\$400k/\$6k	\$25k/\$150k/\$4k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ability to extend the life, functionality, and IT investment of LIS through such add-on modules as outreach, EMR, interfacing, and customized reporting • leader in laboratory solutions for cost-conscious laboratories • full anatomic pathology and clinical lab systems that are fully integrated with other systems, including other LISs, HISs, billing, and more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customizations • flexibility • customer support
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	SoftLab	SchuyLab
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	1985/June 2009	1994/August 2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	April 2009	July 2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	337	734
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	269/26	115/241
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	9/3	321/0
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/30 (hospitals)	37 (veterinary, vendor, school)/20 (hospitals, POs)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	8	27
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	12 (10/2/0)	1 (0/0/1—clinic/group practice)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	12	27
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	676 (51–Canada, Brazil)	729 (20–Caribbean, Guam)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	60%/40%	5%/95%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	785/456/281	4/11/8
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	779/450/281	4/11/8
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	150,000–20,000,000+	5,000–7,000,000 (mean, 5,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	10–4,000 (mean, 75)	1–64 (mean, 3)
Central hardware or service type	IBM pSeries	any PC (Dell recommended)
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation
Programming language(s)	C, C++, Java, .Net	C Language
Operating system(s)	server: IBM AIX; workstation: Microsoft Windows	Windows XP, Vista
Databases and tools	Oracle, RDM++	Pervasive, Btrieve
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	no
Languages (other than English) offered on system	French, ABN forms available in Spanish	ABN forms available in Spanish
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	40%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	13%	—
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	15%–20%	—
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	84%/5%	70%/—
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	3% donor; 54% transfusion	—
• Surgical pathology/cytology	47%/47%	10%/10%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	3%/2%	—
• Flow cytometry	15%	1%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	99%	20%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	85%/88%	20%/20%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	—
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	available but not installed/available but not installed	—
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/installed
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	100%	30%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	30%/22%	40%/30%
• Materials management and inventory	—	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	not available/40%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	available	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	13%/13%	5%/5%
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	not available
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	25%	not available
• HLA (tissue typing)	2%	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/81%	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	in development	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	yes	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	yes	no
Method of charging for ASP service	fixed fee or transaction based	—
Client software required	Web portal	—
ASP information conduit	operates over Internet or requires use of a VPN or other dedicated connection	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	2	—
How data center is operated	by vendor	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	4 states live	1 site
• Other reportable diseases	4 states live	1 site
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	8 sites	not available
Information systems interfaced	4Medica, McKesson, Meditech, Alliance-Plus, Allscripts, Healthland, CPSI, Keane, Cerner, NextGen, Atlas, Eclipsys, Emdeon, GE Healthcare, others	QuadraMed, Logician, Siemens, McKesson, A4, Atlas, MedGenix, GE Healthcare, eClinicalWorks, Varian, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott, others	Roche, Bayer
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (Model Soft, Camtasia)	no
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (Quadax, 3M/Info-X, ICD-9/10 codes, LOINC, Vitek, others)/yes	yes/no
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	no
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	yes	yes (100%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	400+	250+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via Internet; in person annually)	escrow/no
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	ODBC, SQL, XML	—
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$30k/\$75k/\$1.5k	\$1k/\$1.5k/\$0.08k
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$1m/\$8m/\$150k	\$40k/\$30k/\$3.5k
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> innovative, comprehensive, integrated suite of genetics modules for molecular, cytogenetics, HLA/immunogenetics, biochemistry, and flow cytometry powerful set of integrated laboratory-specific outreach tools core lab multi-site and specimen-tracking module to track across multiple testing locations and perform workstation redirection when necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> comprehensive system at a reasonable price ease of use—training in minutes integrates lab results with other systems; secure Internet access
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
**generate <500,000 billed tests annually, or <200 bed hospitals, or <500 requisitions per day		
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Name of laboratory information system	SurroundLab Plus	Novius Lab
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	—/September 2009	1983/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	June 2009	2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	24	42
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	0/24	39/1
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/0	0/1
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	0/0	0/1
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	4	4
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	4 (0/4/0)	14 (14/0/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	—	4
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	24	56 (1–Canada)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	95%/5%	45%/55%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	15/15/15	—
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	7/11/3	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	300,000–4,000,000 (mean, 1,500,000)	80,000–3,000,000 (mean, 650,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	3–100+ (mean, 30)	6–75 (mean, 20)
Central hardware or service type	HP, Dell	IBM pSeries, IBM xSeries
How central server failure is handled	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)	manual intervention necessary to restore operation
Programming language(s)	Caché, M-21	C++
Operating system(s)	Windows, Linux	Linux, AIX, Unix
Databases and tools	Caché, SST	Sybase
System includes full transaction logging?	—	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	none	none
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	100%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	100%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	not available	5%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	not available	50%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	75%/not available	98%/5%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	not available	installed
• Surgical pathology/cytology	not available/0	installed/installed
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	10%/not available	installed/installed
• Flow cytometry	not available	installed
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	100%	95%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	100%/100%	95%/95%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	30%	not available
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	100%/100%	100%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	100%	installed
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	100%/100%	installed/installed
• Materials management and inventory	not available	not available
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/100%	100%/98%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	100%	installed
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	45%/15%	installed/not available
• Specimen management and tracking	100%	installed
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	70%	installed
• HLA (tissue typing)	not available	not available
• Environmental health/newborn screening	not available/not available	not available/not available
• Stem cell laboratory	not available	not available
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	no
Method of charging for ASP service	—	—
Client software required	—	—
ASP information conduit	—	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	—
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	3 sites	available but not in use
• Other reportable diseases	2 sites	available but not in use
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	—	not available
Information systems interfaced	Misys, Meditech, SCC Soft Computer, McKesson	McKesson
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Olympus, Roche, Bayer	Beckman Coulter, Siemens, Tecan
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (developed in-house)	yes (proprietary)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (CodeMap)/yes	no/no
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	no
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	no	no
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	yes (5%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	200	300 (Siemens OpenLink and Data Innovations for interface)
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/no	no/yes (meets in person annually)
User can modify screens?	no (offer custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL	SQL, ODBC
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$1k/\$50k/\$1.1k	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$50k/\$60k/\$7.5k	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • commercial laboratory specific • infinitely scalable • completely multi-site capable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • workflow efficiency: turnaround time alerts, paperless operations with robust online searches, rules-based automation and knowledge, critical call management, document links • excellent services with six-month implementation cycle times • proven performance and reliability: ranked No. 1 in KLAS LIS ranking for 2008
*generate >500,000 billed tests annually, or >200 bed hospitals, or >500 requisitions per day		
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Laboratory information systems

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Name of laboratory information system	Starlims	Sunquest Laboratory
First ever/most recent LIS installation (based on September survey deadline)	2001/July 2009	1979/2009
Last major product release for featured LIS	2009	2009
Total No. of contracts for sites operating LIS	44	400+
• Hospital/independent lab contracts in U.S.	1/5	350+/40+
• Clinic or group practice contracts in U.S./public health lab contracts in U.S.	0/20	—
• Other contracted U.S. sites/contracts for foreign sites	2 (plasma testing, biotechnology immunology lab)/16 (hospitals, reference labs, biobanks, public health)	—/20+ (hospitals)
• No. of these contracts that went live between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	16	14
Contracts signed but LIS not yet operational (hospitals/independent labs/other sites)	30 (10/5/15—research labs, public health labs, biobanks)	21 (21/0/0)
• Total No. of contracts (live and not live) signed between Sept. 2008–Sept. 2009	15	16
Total No. of sites operating LIS (No. of these sites outside the U.S.)	68 (18—Russia, U.K., Jamaica, Germany, Belgium, Malaysia, Singapore, others)	990+ (60+—Canada, U.K., Western Europe, Middle East)
Percentage of high-volume* sites installed/low-volume** sites installed	56%/44%	65%/35%
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in entire firm	38/96/34	253/235/126
Staff to develop/install & support/other*** in LIS division	9/36/11	—
No. of billed tests generated annually by LIS	10,000–20,000,000	<500,000–17,000,000 (mean, 8,500,000)
Range in No. of interactive workstations in sites operating LIS	5–1,000	4–500
Central hardware or service type	—	HP, IBM
How central server failure is handled	system continues uninterrupted	manual intervention necessary to restore operation or system continues uninterrupted (lab's choice)
Programming language(s)	C++	ANSI Standard M, Caché Script, Standard C/C++, Visual Basic, others
Operating system(s)	Windows	AIX, HP-UX, OpenVMS, Linux, Windows XP
Databases and tools	SQL server, Oracle	InterSystems Caché
System includes full transaction logging?	yes	yes
Languages (other than English) offered on system	French, Spanish, Chinese, Czech, Polish, Russian, Dutch, Korean, others	—
Features/modules (listed as percent of live installs or based on availability)		
• Chemistry and hematology	32%	100%
• Bar-coded collection labels	95%	100%
• Handheld devices for bedside-positive patient ID	available but not installed	20%
• NCCLS POCT-1A standard interface for POCT devices	installed	20%
• Microbiology/public health microbiology	10%/59%	100%/1%
• Blood bank donor and transfusion	3%	80%
• Surgical pathology/cytology	2%/7%	60%/50%
• Molecular pathology/cytogenetics	55%/available but not installed	5%/3%
• Flow cytometry	9%	10%
• HIS or EMR interface for A/D/T	8%	99%
• HIS or EMR interface for order entry/results reporting	16%/16%	99%/99%
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into PDF format	installed	—
• HIS or EMR interface for packaging results into CDA1 format/CDA2 format	installed/available but not installed	—
• Ad hoc reporting/rules-based system	95%/95%	90%/100%
• Management and statistical reporting	100%	100%
• Outreach and commercial laboratory	installed	75%
• Compliance checking/billing and accounts receivable	installed/50%	30%/10%
• Materials management and inventory	95%	—
• Test partition/remote faxing and printing	100%/21%	100%/90%
• HIPAA-standard transaction formats	installed	100%
• Web-based remote inquiry of reports/Web access for order entry	38%/38%	15%/15%
• Specimen management and tracking	95%	100%
• Compliance and quality assurance tools	75%	100%
• HLA (tissue typing)	available but not installed	—
• Environmental health/newborn screening	20%/7%	—
• Stem cell laboratory	available but not installed	—
Complete LIS application service provider solution?	no	no
ASP for physician order entry and results reporting?	no	no
Method of charging for ASP service	—	—
Client software required	—	—
ASP information conduit	—	—
Client contracts supported from data center not operated by client	—	—
How data center is operated	—	—
LIS provides surveillance data to public health agencies via computer-to-computer interface using CDC, HL7, LOINC, SNOMED standards for:		
• Microbiology data	24 sites	5% of sites
• Other reportable diseases	31 sites	5% of sites
• Tumor diagnosis or registry data (using NAACCR Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting, vol. V, version 2.2, February 2009 edition)	available but not in use	10% of sites
Information systems interfaced	NetSuite, Heron Systems, Haemonetics, Mak-System, others	McKesson, Cerner, Siemens, GE Healthcare, Epic, Eclipsys, others
Laboratory automation systems interfaced	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Ortho, Olympus America, Roche, Abbott	Beckman Coulter, Sysmex, Siemens, Ortho, Olympus, Roche, Abbott, others
LIS provides validation or testing tools?	yes (I/O/Q templates, functional requirements specifications, others)	yes (validation scripts)
LIS allows third-party updates of tables and rules/image capture, display, and reporting?	yes (any that use Web services, provide updates in structured file format)/yes	yes (3M, ICD-9)/yes
Software provides indexed field in each test definition for LOINC code?	yes	yes
Provide LOINC dictionary for each new installation?	no	no
LIS supports use of SNOMED CT?	yes	yes
Market modules for other hospital departments? (percent of installs lab only)	no	yes (95%)
No. of different lab instruments interfaced with LIS	200+ (native tools or Data Innovations for interface)	800+
Source code?/User group that meets regularly?	escrow/yes (meets via e-mail forums; in person every 12–18 months, others)	escrow/yes (meets via Internet; in person)
User can modify screens?	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)	yes (offer user-defined report writer, custom programming)
Query languages to retrieve information from LIS database	SQL	SQL
Smallest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$2k/\$50k/\$0.67k	—
Largest cost for LIS hardware/software/monthly maintenance	\$100k/\$1m/\$13k	—
Distinguishing features (supplied by vendor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • user-intuitive dashboard provides personalized “at-a-glance” view to key performance metrics and pending tasks • integrated LIS capabilities with LIMS, clinical study management, biorepository, electronic laboratory notebook, and scientific data-management system functionality • customer-configurable workflow tools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eliminates misplaced specimens with cradle-to-grave specimen tracking starting wherever specimen acquisition occurs • customers report clinical and anatomic workflow that is virtually error free, which decreases cost and increases lab's testing capacity • allows client to deliver the Five Rights of Laboratory Testing
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