

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS  
Form 8-K  
September 03, 2003

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange  
Act of 1934

September 3, 2003  
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(Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE -----	1-11353 -----	13-3757370 -----
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)

358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 27215  
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(Address of principal executive offices)

336-229-1127  
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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Laboratory Corporation of America-Registered Trademark- Holdings  
(LabCorp-Registered Trademark-) (NYSE:LH) today announced the settlement  
of a lawsuit brought by its subsidiary DIANON Systems, Inc. against five  
former employees and Diapath LLC. The case, filed last June in Federal Court  
in New York, contended that the former employees had, among other things,  
engaged in unfair trade practices in attempt to get DIANON customers to send  
their samples to their new lab venture, Diapath.

The press release announcing the legal settlement is attached  
hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibit  
99.1 Press release of the Company dated September 3, 2003

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SIGNATURES

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

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

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(Registrant)

By:/s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

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Bradford T. Smith  
Executive Vice President  
and Secretary

Date: September 3, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
----- 99.1	----- Press Release dated September 3, 2003