

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS  
Form 8-K  
December 06, 2001

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  
December 6, 2001

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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
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(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 5. OTHER EVENTS

Laboratory Corporation of America -Registered Trademark-  
Holdings (LabCorp -Registered Trademark-) (NYSE:LH) announced  
that PreGen-26-Trademark- (a DNA-based colorectal cancer test)  
is now available through its nationwide network to physicians  
and their patients. The test is based on EXACT Sciences  
Corporation's (NASDAQ:EXAS) proprietary genomics-based  
technology.

PreGen-26 targets Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer  
(HNPCC) - an inherited predisposition to develop colorectal  
cancer. People with this syndrome have an 80 percent lifetime  
risk of developing the disease.

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

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20) Press release of the Company dated December 6, 2001.

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: December 6, 2001