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Illumina has announced it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire GenoLogics Life Sciences Software, a developer of information management systems (LIMS) for lifesciences organizations.

"The acquisition of GenoLogics demonstrates Illumina's commitment to drive the adoption of sequencing in new markets and improve the genomic information workflow. Adding GenoLogics' products to Illumina's portfolio is another example of our continued commitment to bring innovative sample-to-answer solutions to research and clinical labs," said Mr Francis deSouza, president of Illumina.

Adopted by over 120 genomic labs worldwide, GenoLogics' Clarity LIMS software enables lab efficiencies and improved sample throughput with increased accuracy, fast turnaround, sample traceability, and preconfigured instrument integrations. GenoLogics has a number of current partnerships with Illumina, including the recently launched Clarity LIMS X, an edition of its laboratory informatics platform that is optimized for use with Illumina SeqLab to address population-scale genomics workflows.

"We are excited to join Illumina and carry on the innovative spirit that GenoLogics Life Sciences Software has been known for," said Mr Michael Ball, CEO of GenoLogics. He added, "Illumina and GenoLogics have had a longstanding partnership and this acquisition will enable us to widen our distribution, accelerate our product development, and provide even greater support to the Clarity LIMS community."

The impact of this transaction was contemplated in the updated 2015 financial guidance Illumina provided on July 21, 2015. The acquisition is expected to close by the end of August.