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**Third Coast Capital Advisors Represents
Mérieux NutriSciences Corporation in its Acquisition of
ABC Research Laboratories**



Third Coast Capital Advisors represented Mérieux NutriSciences Corporation, including its North American operating entity, Silliker, Inc. in its acquisition of ABC Research Laboratories ("ABC") Our Strategic Acquisition Search and Advisory Services included identifying the target through our proprietary research and then facilitating a strategic dialog with its owner. We also advised our client on valuation, transaction structure and the negotiation and closing of the transaction. This is the second acquisition we have closed with Merieux in 2015.

Mérieux NutriSciences, headquartered in Lyon, France and Chicago, Illinois, provides a wide range of testing, quality and consulting services to the food & nutrition, agrochemicals, pharma and cosmetics industries. The company employs 5,500 people worldwide and operates 75 laboratories in 18 countries, along with five research and development centers in the United States, Canada, France, Brazil and China.

ABC Research Laboratories: Founded in 1967 and headquartered in Gainesville, Florida, ABC Research is an ISO 17025 accredited laboratory providing a full-spectrum of microbiology and chemistry services. The Company serves the food industry by providing general safety testing, nutritional labeling, plant and process compliance and FDA detention resolution services. Clients range from the large food corporations to individual growers.