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August 13, 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

August 13, 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
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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 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

Laboratory Corporation of America -Registered Trademark-  
Holdings (LabCorp -Registered Trademark-) (NYSE:LH) announced  
that the PreGen-Plus-Trademark- colon cancer assay is nationally  
available for LabCorp's clients to order beginning today.  
PreGen-Plus-Trademark- is the proprietary DNA-based stool test  
for the early detection of colorectal cancer developed by EXACT  
Sciences Corporation (NASDAQ:EXAS).

Exhibits:

99.1 Press release of the Company dated August 13, 2003.

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.

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(Registrant)

By: /s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

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Bradford T. Smith  
Executive Vice President  
and Secretary

Date: August 13, 2003