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### REVENUE STAGE HEALTHCARE COMPANY LISTED ON THE ASX

### **Genetic Signatures Limited (ASX: GSS)**

A specialist molecular diagnostics company

- Focused on becoming a global leader in the supply of molecular diagnostic solutions
- Developing and commercialisation its proprietary platform technology, **3base™**
- Implementing its commercial strategy through a team of 30+ across Australia, Europe and North America

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Financial information		Тор
Share price (14-Aug-18)	A\$0.580	Asia
Shares on issue	103.9m <sup>1</sup>	Deut
Market capitalisation	A\$60.3m	Direc
Cash (30-Jun-18)	A\$9.0m	
Debt (30-Jun-18)	Nil	
Enterprise value	A\$51.3m	



Top shareholders	%
Asia Union and Christopher Abbott	39.6
Deutsche Bank AG	14.2
Directors, management & advisors	>6.0

Notes:

1: Excludes 1.05m unquoted options (various expiration dates and prices)



### GENETIC SIGNATURES DEVELOPS AND MANUFACTURES MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTICS KITS BASED ON ITS PROPRIETARY 3BASE™ TECHNOLOGY

## Established revenues

Track record of revenues de-risks development and sales expansion

# Focus on profitability

High margin, high volume sales, with focus on production efficiencies

Strong sector tail-winds Surging global MDx market growing from US\$6bn to US\$12bn in 2022 Strong portfolio growth Substantial product growth with 5 products expected by end of 2018

Geographic expansion

Expansion underway into key US and EU markets, with multiple patents issued (expire 2031+)



### 3BASE<sup>™</sup> TECHNOLOGY REDUCES COMPLEXITY IN GENETIC TESTING ALLOWS TESTING FOR MORE DISEASES WITH HIGHER ACCURACY MORE RESULTS, MORE ACCURACY, LOWER COST

#### 3base<sup>™</sup>technology

- 3base<sup>™</sup> platform technology converts original 4base microbial genome to 3-base
  - Reducing complexity in molecular testing
- Conversion occurs during standard procedures with no additional steps for the technician

## *3base™* MDx testing is focused solely on the detection of infectious diseases

- ✓ 3base<sup>™</sup> MDx can identify a wider array of patient infections than current diagnostics
- ✓ Reduces time to results (5 vs 24+ hours for conventional methods)
- Provides greater testing accuracy by reducing complexity in a single test sample

#### 3base<sup>™</sup> technology in the detection process

## Regular cell Lysis and preparation steps

Original genome

1,048,576 combinations for a 10 digit number with 4-base

GCCTCACTTC

GTTTTATTT

**3base™** conversion

Converted 3base<sup>™</sup> genome

59,049 combinations for a 10 digit number with 3-base

Standard Real-Time PCR instrument



## Powerful evidence of efficacy from clinical trials

### **Clinical trials demonstrate efficacy**

Evaluation study conducted at St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney

221 patient samples tested and compared to traditional culture, microscopy, and antibody based tests

Results highlight the efficacy of 3base<sup>™</sup> technology and GSS products

- Faster screening: Generated results in 4 hours, compared to up to 120 hours for traditional testing methods
- Greater accuracy: Identified 44 infections that existing testing missed

### St Vincent's Hospital Evaluation Study results

Pathogen	Conventional Methods*	EasyScreen™
Campylobacter	7	9
Salmonella	8	9
Shigella	5	6
C. Difficile	3	7
Yersinia	-	1
Cryptosporidium	-	1
Giardia	9	12
Dientamoeba fragalis	4	20
Blastocystis hominis	16	21
Entamoeba histolytica	1	1
Norovirus group 2	-	7
Adenovirus	-	1
Adenovirus 40/41	-	1
Sapovirus	-	1
Total	53	97

### Significantly greater efficacy

## EasyScreen<sup>™</sup> products built on **3base<sup>™</sup>** technology



GSS is commercialising a range of **MDx tests** based on **3base<sup>TM</sup>** and branded as **EasyScreen<sup>TM</sup>** 

*EasyScreen*<sup>™</sup> kits offer faster and more effective detection of infectious disease

- Four product families available covering enteric microorganisms, respiratory viruses (including influenza), ESBL & CPO "Superbugs" and STIs
- Target customers are high-volume hospitals and pathology laboratories



- Common Workflow all tests work under identical conditions
- Platform agnostic compatible with common existing laboratory equipment
- ✓ **High specificity** superior accuracy of results
- Rapid time to result (4 5 hours) would traditionally take 4 - 5 days

### **EASYSCREEN™ KITS IDENTIFY MORE PATHOGENS IN LESS TIME**

## *The EasyScreen*<sup>TM</sup> competitive advantage



### **EASYSCREEN™ KITS OFFER FASTER AND MORE EFFECTIVE DETECTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE; OPTIMISED FOR HIGH THROUGHPUT LABS**



### High throughput

Ability to test multiple samples simultaneously maximises pathogen testing capacity

-200+ samples every 4-5 hours



### High specificity

Superior accuracy relative to traditional testing methods, ability to detect more specimen types simultaneously

+83% more infections detected than traditional methods<sup>1</sup>



### **Rapid time to result**

Provides optimised solution for high-volume hospitals and pathology laboratories

4-5 hours to 4-5 days with

until result, compared traditional methods



### Common workflow -

Four product families currently available covering enteric microorganisms, respiratory viruses (including influenza), ESBL & CPO "Superbugs" and STIs



Notes:

### **Platform agnostic**

Compatible with common existing laboratory equipment, specialised hardware not required

└All tests use identical workflow

### Low setup with EasvScreen<sup>™</sup> detection kits cost

1: St Vincent's Hospital Evaluation Study results, see page 6 for further details on the study



### INTERNATIONAL EXPANSION GAINING MOMENTUM

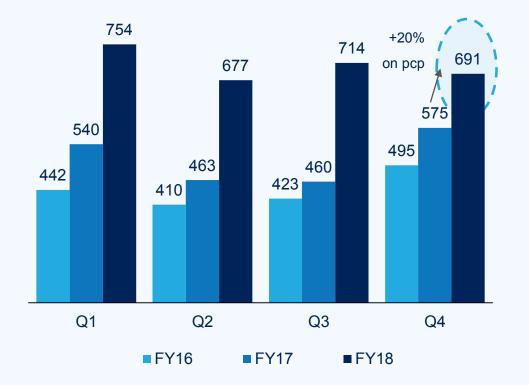
### Q4 FY18 Revenue Update

- Strong quarterly revenue growth to A\$691k in Q4 FY18, a +20% increase on pcp
- ✓ First sales in the US

Q4 performance continues consistent quarter-on-quarter revenue growth since listing in 2015

Strong full year revenue of A\$2.8m for FY18 representing a **+39% increase** from FY17





## Key corporate and operational milestones achieved



### GSS HAS MADE STRONG PROGRESS OVER THE LAST 18 MONTHS

Successful clinical trial results for Flavivirus Detection Kits at prestigious European conference in April 2017 TGA and CE-IVD Mark approvals received for the entire Enteric product suite by June 2017 Approval received for **3base™** patent in the USA until 2033 First sale and delivery of **Flavivirus and Alphavirus Detection Kits** to an offshore customer in June guarter 2017 Relocation to larger facilities in Sydney to accelerate next phase of operational growth Successful beta-release of second-generation Respiratory Detection Kits in September guarter 2017 Record quarterly revenues of A\$754k in September quarter 2017 driven by strong domestic flu season Maiden sales for ESBL & CPO ("superbug") Detection Kits for use in a trial in December guarter 2017 Expansion of European team with appointment of field scientist and sales staff, with further recruiting continuing CE-IVD Mark approvals received for ESBL & CPO Detection Kits ('antibiotic resistance') in April 2018 Successful trial results for ESBL & CPO Detection Kits presented at major European conference in April 2018 Maiden sales in the USA with sales order for ASR kits in May 2018 TGA registration received for ESBL & CPO Detection Kits in May 2018 Major customer contract signed with large Australian pathology service provider in August 2018

## Strategy for FY19



### GENETIC SIGNATURES HAS A CLEAR FOCUS ON REVENUE GROWTH IN FY19 DRIVEN BY ITS INTERNATIONAL EXPANSION AND NEW PRODUCT RELEASES

Roll-out of expanded product su	approved in the near term across target regions
Targeted internation sales expa	
Capitalise growing M opportunity	Dx

## Executing a global strategy for commercialisation





North America: Accelerate direct sales approach Trials underway

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- ✓ First ASR sales achieved in the US
- ✓ Sales permitted through US FDA listing and ASRs
- ✓ Certified for Health Canada

Immediate focus on securing trials with larger pathology labs

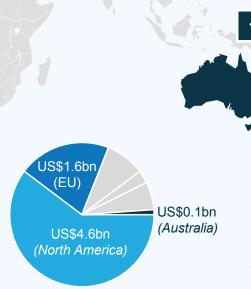
ASR product trials underway

#### Europe: Rapidly increasing footprint to be ready for product approvals *Trials underway*

- ✓ Distributors appointed (Italy, Israel, Ireland and Poland)
- ✓ CE-IVD approvals granted for enteric and ESBL & CPO
- ✓ 3 products approaching CE-IVD approval in 2018
- ✓ Appointment of a European based field scientist and other sales staff and still actively recruiting

Plan to appoint additional distributors in short term

Product trials underway



#### Estimated MDx market size (2017)

## Australia: Continued rapid growth

Small base of customers with a number of trials underway

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- Major new contract signed for respiratory kit
- ✓ 2 products approaching TGA approval in 2018

Further customer acquisitions planned in FY19

Source: World Market for Molecular Diagnostics, 5th. Edition (Infectious Disease, Oncology, Blood Screening, Pre-Natal and Other Areas) Kalorama Information, Published: 1/9/2013, page 94.

## Board of Directors have a track record of success



#### Michael Aicher Executive Director

- · Currently based in the US
- Has significant experience in driving US sales
- Founder of National Genetics
   Institute
- Led Lab-Corp' s esoteric business generated US\$1bn revenue p.a.



#### Tony Radford

#### Non executive Director

- Significant sales experience
- Co-Founder and CEO of Cellestis until acquired by Qiagen for c.A\$400m
- Proven track record of executing a sales strategy into Europe

#### Nick Samaras Non executive Chairman

- Significant experience leading international sales teams
- Former Managing Director of Applied Biosystems (Thermo Fisher)
- Senior executive roles at Perkin Elmer and AMRAD Corporation (CSL)



### Phillip Isaacs

- Non executive director
- Former Managing Director of Australian subsidiary of Technicon Equipment
- Former Managing Director of Beckman Instruments in Australia



#### John Melki Managing Director and CEO

- Led global commercialisation efforts of GSS since 2011 and the product development team since 2003
- Led the commercialisation of two research products worldwide and seven diagnostic products in Australia and Europe

## Australia: continue rapid growth



### AUSTRALIA IS THE PLATFORM FOR INTERNATIONAL SALES

#### **Commercialisation progress**

#### Established foothold

- Secured relationships with top tier customers in NSW and Victoria
- Major customer contract signed with large Australian pathology service provider in August 2018
- Established customer relationships increase ease of new product sales
- Platform in NSW and Victoria has driven strong revenue growth over last 4 years



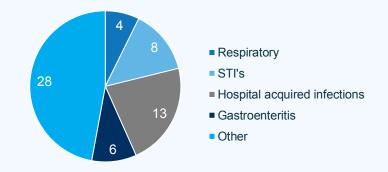
#### **Rapid customer acquisitions**

 Targeting trials with large hospitals and clinical labs in Australia to provide significant domestic revenue growth

**Next steps** 

- 2 products approaching TGA approval in 2018 expected drive new customer acquisitions
- Target customers include pathology labs, \_ hospitals and large research laboratories

#### Australia MDx market potential (US\$m)



Sources:

1: World Market for Molecular Diagnostics, 5th. Edition (Infectious Disease, Oncology, Blood Screening, Pre-Natal and Other Areas) Kalorama Information, Published: 1/9/2013, page 94.

## 2 Europe: strong progress on multiple fronts

### **ACTIVELY INCREASING PROFILE IN PREPARATION FOR PRODUCT APPROVALS**

#### **Commercialisation progress**

Distributors hired and evaluations underway

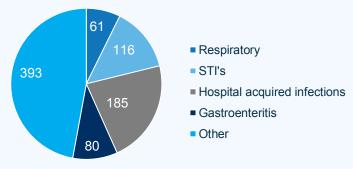
- Currently adding to European team
- Field scientist appointed based in Europe
- Recent CE-IVD registration for ESBL & CPO "superbug" Detection Kits
- Sales logistics being finalised with EUbased warehouse in final legal review
- Building traction with customers with sales order received across a number of products
- Established VAT deferment program

Genetic Signatures is developing a mix of direct sales and partnerships with distributors across Europe to optimise the sales network **Next steps** 

#### Strategic market with large opportunity

- Europe has an addressable MDx market of c.US\$435m - c.20% of the global market<sup>1</sup>
- Continue to drive revenue growth and pursue regulatory registration for STI and respiratory products in Europe
- Actively recruiting sales and support staff in multiple countries
- Advanced discussions with new distributors in other European countries

#### European MDx market potential (US\$m)



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## 3 North America: accelerate direct sales approach



### FIRST ASR SALES AND PROGRESS TOWARD FDA CLEARANCE

#### **Commercialisation progress**

#### Increasing traction with ASR approach

- First ASR sales contract received with US pathology laboratory
- Several labs assessing the potential for ASR products available for sale in the USA
- Initial trials established with local clinical labs using GSS supplied products in FY17
  - Trials reaching conclusion
- Also progressing towards securing FDA clearance for Enteric Protozoan Detection Kit
- 3base<sup>™</sup> technology has patents issued in the US
- Quality Management System certified for Health Canada

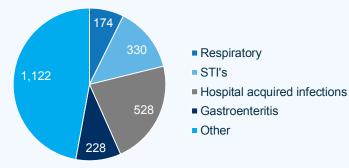
#### Largest market for MDx globally

- Addressable market of approximately US\$1,265m, c.55% of the global market
- Over 5,600 registered hospitals in the USA and 11,000 CLA certified laboratories

**Next steps** 

 FDA listings of Clinical Concentrators in place to allow initial sales

#### North American MDx potential<sup>1</sup> (US\$m)

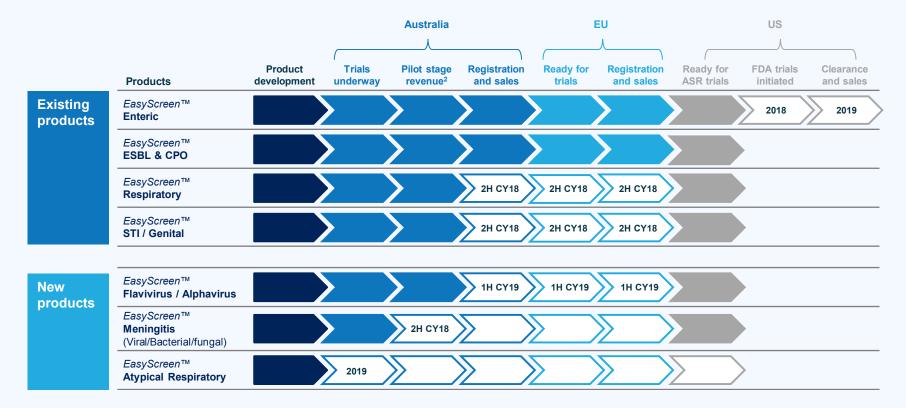


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## Clear path to global commercialisation for all products





Notes:

1: Each of the product suites may contain multiple different individual products, requiring multiple regulatory submissions and registrations for a suite of products

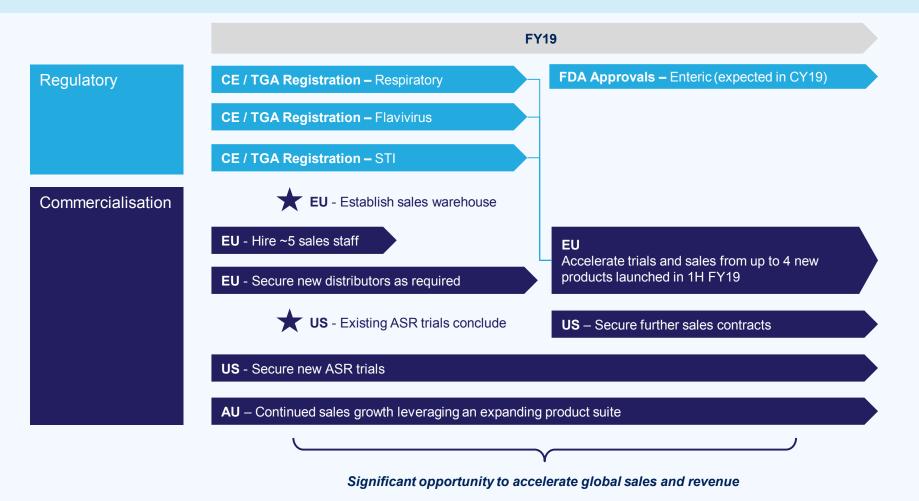
2. Pilot stage revenue generated from sales for research use only (medical professionals may use products for diagnosis only where they validate results with independent testing)

3. Sold as individual Analyte Specific Reagents (ASR) for a number of pathogens in the USA

### **GSS HAS MADE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS ON ALL PRODUCTS SINCE IPO**

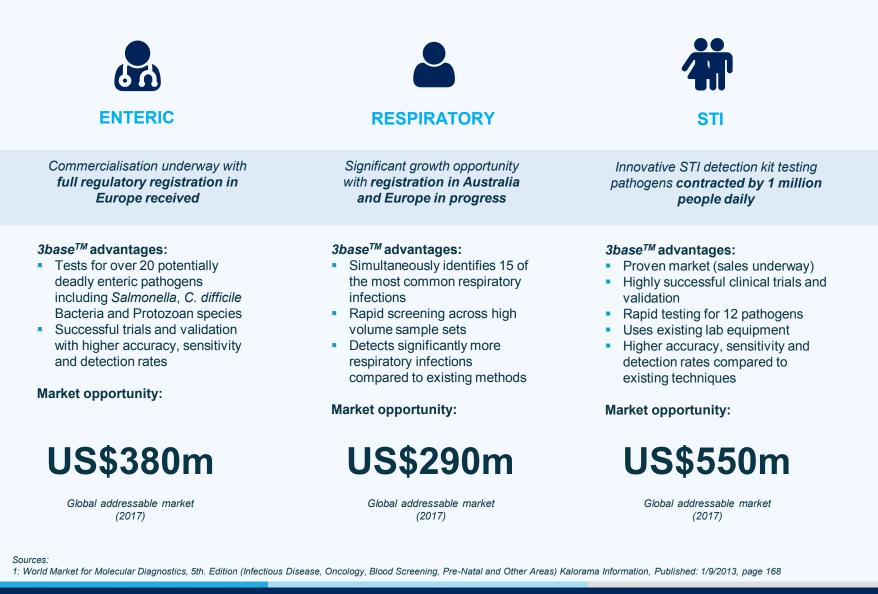


### GSS IS WELL POSITIONED TO DELIVER ON ITS GLOBAL COMMERCIALISATION STRATEGY IN FY19



## US\$1.2bn market opportunity for 3 existing products





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## Significant strategic interest in MDx technologies

- Major MDx players are pursuing aggressive acquisition strategies to secure emerging technologies
  - ...and they are prepared to pay high multiples to secure opportunities ---

Target	Acquirer	Deal value (US\$m)	EV/Revenue multiple (x)	Target Description
<b>STAT</b> Dx Closer to Care	QIAGEN	191	27	<ul> <li>Targets enteric and respiratory infections and is focused on lower throughput</li> </ul>
RHS	PerkinElmer	20	N/A	<ul> <li>Provides platform for MDx processes based on single cell genomic technologies</li> </ul>
ıgnyta	Roche	1,700	N/A	<ul> <li>Focuses on MDx for cancer, and treatment through precision medicines</li> </ul>
Multiplicom	Agilent Technologies	72	6.5	<ul> <li>Provides MDx kits for cancer, genetic disorders, pre-natal screening</li> </ul>
Cepheid.	<i>D</i> <i>danaher</i>	3,860	5.5	<ul> <li>Specializes in MDx for infectious diseases and cancer</li> </ul>
GeneWEAVE	Roche	425	N/A	<ul> <li>Owns Smarticles, a type of MDx identifying multidrug-resistant organisms</li> </ul>
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Source: Company filings

## APPENDIX

FURTHER INFORMATION ON 3BASE™ TECHNOLOGY

## 7 product groups underpinned by **3base**<sup>TM</sup> technology

	Product group	Target pathogens	Key highlights
Four existing products groups	EasyScreen™ Enteric	<b>20+ enteric pathogens</b> Includes Salmonella, <i>C. difficile</i> Bacteria, Protozoan and Viral Detection Kits and <i>C. difficile</i> reflex kits	All tests have full regulatory registration in Europe (10-20x the size of Aus market)
	EasyScreen™ ESBL & CPO	Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamase and Carbapenemase Producing Organisms	Full regulatory registration in Europe (CE- IVD) and Australia (TGA)
Commercial	EasyScreen™ <b>Respiratory</b>	<b>15 respiratory pathogens</b> (including influenza A & B, Rhinovirus and M. pneumonia)	Registrations in Australian and European markets currently in progress
	EasyScreen™ STI / Genital	<b>12 most commonly encountered STIs</b> (including chlamydia, gonorrhoea and syphilis)	Offers superior test efficacy for pathogens contracted by 1m people daily <sup>1</sup> (market worth ~US\$550M <sup>2</sup> )
Three new product groups	EasyScreen™ Flavivirus / Alphavirus	<b>Multiple Flavivirus/Alphavirus viral families</b> (including Zika and West Nile virus)	Offers testing for complex viruses causing widespread morbidity and mortality but historically labour-intensive to detect
	EasyScreen™ Meningitis (Viral and Bacterial)	Multiple strains of Meningitis (viral and bacterial infections)	In final development stages – offers rapid diagnosis for life-threatening bacterial meningitis
Trials underway	EasyScreen™ Respiratory Atypical Pathogen	Simultaneous detection of <b>leading causes of</b> bacterial respiratory infection	In development

Sources:

1: http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs110/en/

2: World Market for Molecular Diagnostics, 5th. Edition (Infectious Disease, Oncology, Blood Screening, Pre-Natal and Other Areas) Kalorama Information, Published: 1/9/2013, page 168

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### **Detection of infectious diseases**



### THERE IS POTENTIAL TO TRANSFORM THE MODERN MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY AND THE CARE OF PATIENTS WITH SUSPECTED INFECTIONS

**Current process** 

## Traditional methods for diagnosing infection have relied largely on identifying pathogens via culture

#### **Conventional culture-based microbiology**

- 1. Sample collected from patient
- 2. Preparation of medium (i.e. agar plate)
- 3. Incubation
- 4. Analysis (i.e. microscopy)

#### **Industry problems**

**Inefficient:** window between specimen collection and organism identification is large and can:

- × Enhance spread of infection to other patients
- × Delay onset of appropriate course of treatment



**Limited scalability:** targets often require separate tests

× Analysis can be time consuming and require significant technician time

#### **Reduced patient outcomes**

 Broad empirical antimicrobials are given to excessive numbers of patients to avoid the potential grave consequences

Genetic Signatures' **3base™** technology can alleviate many of the pressures evident in the detection of infectious diseases and deliver improvements in time, quality and cost to meet surging demand

## **3base<sup>™</sup>** reduces complexity by 94%



### SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN COMPLEXITY WHILE MAINTAINING OR INCREASING ACCURACY

20%	improvement in homology
94%	reduction in complexity

- Sufficient information retained for genotyping equivalent to native (4 base) genomic assays
- No loss of clinical specificity is observed by this base conversion<sup>1</sup>
- ✓ 3base<sup>™</sup> delivers greater Sensitivity and Specificity, in a rapid assay

# *3base*<sup>™</sup> showed superior performance in HPV clinical trial

	4 base sequences	<i>3base™</i> base sequences
Seq 1	G A T G G C G A T A T G G T G A C A C	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>I</mark> G A T A T
Seq 2	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>C</u> A T G G T <u>A</u> G A <u>T</u> A <u>C</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>A</mark> G A T A T
Seq 3	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>T</u> A T G G T <u>G</u> G A <u>C</u> A <u>C</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <u>G</u> G A T A T
Seq 4	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>T</u> A T G G T <u>A</u> G A <u>T</u> A <u>T</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>A</mark> G A T A T
Seq 5	G A T G G <mark>I</mark> G A <u>I</u> A T G G T <u>G</u> G A <u>C</u> A <u>C</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <u>G</u> G A T A T
Seq 6	G A T G G <u>C</u> G A <u>C</u> A T G G T <u>T</u> G A <u>T</u> A <u>T</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>T</mark> G A T A T
Seq 7	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>T</u> A T G G T <u>G</u> G A <u>C</u> A <u>C</u>	G        A        T        G        G
Seq 8	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>C</u> A T G G T <u>A</u> G A <u>T</u> A <u>C</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>A</mark> G A T A T
Seq 9	G A T G G <u>T</u> G A <u>T</u> A T G G T <u>A</u> G A <u>T</u> A <u>C</u>	G A T G G T G A T A T G G T <mark>A</mark> G A T A T
Seq 10	G A T G G I G A I A T G G T G G A I A C	G
Consensus	GATGG <u>Y</u> GA <u>Y</u> ATGGT <u>Y</u> GA <u>Y</u> A <u>Y</u>	GATGGTGATATGGTDGATAT



Sources: 1: HPV clinical trial for example showed superior performance vs. Digene assay in reducing false positives (J. Clin. Virol. 42:22-6. 2008)

## *EasyScreen<sup>TM</sup>* customers are strong advocates



*"We use EasyScreen™ at ACL for its robust user friendly automation, higher levels of specificity for clinical samples and our confidence in delivering clinically significant results to our clinicians.* 

"Same day results and triage options for urgent requests help potentially **save lives**. And we get a high level of service and support from the GSS team!" **Tony Field** Operations Manager *Australian Clinical Labs* 

"I find that the **fast turnaround time** and the number of targets tested in the EasyScreen<sup>™</sup> assays allow me to **more rapidly identify highly infectious agents**, potentially stopping the spread to other healthy individuals and thereby **saving the health system money**."

#### **Dr Damien Stark**

KOL and Senior Microbiologist St Vincent's Hospital Sydney