

INVERNESS MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC
Form 8-K
October 04, 2005

**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**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 29, 2005**

INVERNESS MEDICAL INNOVATIONS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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| Delaware | 1-16789 | 04-3565120 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

51 Sawyer Road, Suite 200, Waltham, Massachusetts 02453
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(781) 647-3900
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 29, 2005, we and certain of our subsidiaries entered into an amendment (the Amendment) to our third amended and restated credit agreement with General Electric Capital Corporation, as administrative agent, Merrill Lynch Capital, a division of Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services Inc., as documentation agent, a co-syndication agent and a co-lead arranger, UBS Securities LLC, as a co-syndication agent, and GECC Capital Markets Group, Inc., as a co-lead arranger (the Credit Facility). The Amendment increases the total amount of credit available to us under the Credit Facility, which consists of two revolving lines of credit, from \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000, subject to continued covenant compliance.

The Amendment also included the consent of our lenders under the Credit Facility to completion of our acquisitions of Thermo BioStar Inc. (BioStar) and Innogenetics Diagnostica Y Terapeutica, S.A.U. (IDT), both of which closed on September 30, 2005. We acquired BioStar, a leading developer and manufacturer of high-performance, rapid diagnostic tests, including tests for the detection of infectious diseases, from Thermo Electron Corporation for \$52.5 million in cash. IDT, a Spanish distributor of diagnostic products, was acquired from Innogenetics NV for approximately \$11.8 million (or 9.76 million) plus a working capital adjustment payment to be determined and paid during the 4th quarter of 2005 estimated to be approximately \$7.2 million in cash. Our press release describing the acquisitions, which were financed with funds available to us under the Credit Facility, as amended, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) EXHIBITS

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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| 10.1 | First Amendment And Consent To Third Amended And Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2005, to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 30, 2005, by and among General Electric Capital Corporation, as Agent, Inverness Medical Innovations, Inc., Wampole Laboratories, LLC and Inverness Medical (UK) Holdings Limited, as Borrowers, the other Credit Parties signatory thereto, Merrill Lynch Capital, a division of Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services Inc., as documentation agent, co-syndication agent and lender, UBS Securities LLC, as co-syndication agent, and the Lenders signatory thereto from time to time |
| 99.1 | Press release dated October 3, 2005 entitled Inverness Medical Innovations Acquires Thermo BioStar, Inc. / Also Acquires Innogenetics Diagnostica Y Terapeutica, S.A.U. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

INVERNESS MEDICAL INNOVATIONS,
INC.

Date: October 4, 2005

By: /s/ Christopher J. Lindop
Name: Christopher J. Lindop
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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