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Richard S. Creager received his PhD in Microbiology from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. After a two-year post-doctoral experience at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York studying the molecular epidemiology of influenza viruses, Dr. Creager started his career in in vitro diagnostics.

He spent his initial years in R&D developing diagnostic products for infectious disease and autoimmunity at Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc., Carpinteria, California and then Kallestad Diagnostics, Inc., in Chaska, Minnesota. Dr. Creager also held senior executive positions with Kallestad Diagnostics and Sanofi Diagnostics Pasteur, the latter at which he led the development of that company's first automated immunoassay analyzer.

After Beckman Coulter purchased Sanofi Diagnostics Pasteur, Dr. Creager first as VP R&D and subsequently as GM/Group VP the Immunoassay Business, grew the business from \$40M to more than \$700M in annual revenue. During his tenure, he was instrumental in identifying acquiring several key technologies and companies. He also successfully launched several innovative biomarkers that helped drive the growth of the company.

Recently, Dr. Creager served as senior vice president of Beckman Coulter, Inc. with responsibility for Molecular Diagnostics. He led the introduction of Veris, one of the first sample-to-answer Molecular Diagnostic systems. Richard also was the company's Chief Scientific Officer with key responsibilities to develop the technology and menu strategies for the company's immunoassay and molecular diagnostic businesses.

His specialties include strategic planning, pre-market assessments, R&D, development partnerships, mergers, integrating acquisitions, licensing, and go-to-market strategies. He has strong scientific analytical skills in a wide variety of disciplines including molecular biology, protein chemistry, immunochemistry, endocrinology, infectious disease, cardiovascular disease, and oncology.

Dr. Creager was the chairman of the board of directors for Medical Alley, a 501(c)3 non-profit trade association that enables health technology and care organizations to innovate, succeed, and influence the evolution of healthcare in Minnesota and the surrounding region. Formerly he served as an editorial board member for In Vitro Diagnostics Technology/Dx. He also served on the board of directors of Proteogenix and Atonomics.

Dr. Creager currently serves on the board of two non-profits: [1] Science@OC, which serves to strengthen STEM education in Orange County middle schools and [2] 1for2 education foundation, whose mission is to build a community of scholars, dedicated to being life-long learners and are committed to "pay-it-forward." He and his wife, Diane, reside in Newport Beach, California.