# Serial Acquirer Case Study: Danaher Corporation



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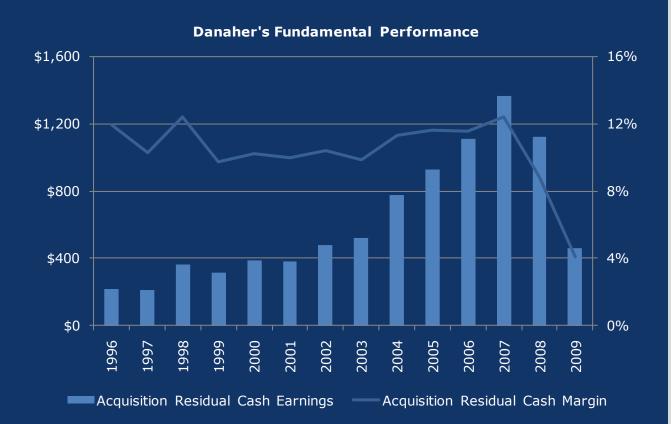
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## Overview

- Despite the claim that acquisitions destroy value certain companies excel as acquirers and deliver outstanding value for shareholders.
- We studied the relationship between long term total shareholder returns (TSR) and different acquisition strategies and a variety of deal characteristics.
  - The only trait that consistently has a strong positive relationship with long term TSR across each industry is acquisition frequency.
- We call them Serial Acquirers and many generate outstanding results by being better at planning, executing and integrating acquisitions than their peers.
- Danaher Corporation is one of the world's best serial acquirers



# Danaher's M&A Strategy Emphasizes Returns



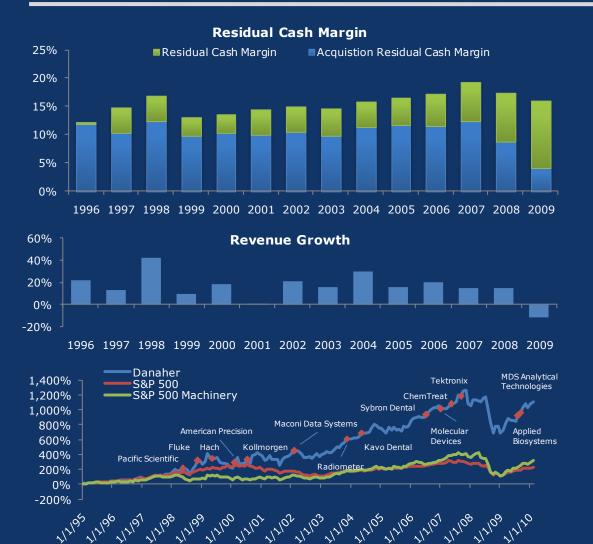
- Even during the downturn in 2008 and 2009 Danaher delivered Cash Flow in excess of the required return on all capital
- This strategy creates value for shareholders and demonstrates the benefits of continuously redeploying capital into positive returns

Source: Fortuna Advisors Analytics, using CapitallQ Data

Note: Acquisition Residual Cash Earnings (ARCE) is EBITDA + Rent + R&D Less Taxes Less Capital Charge Including Goodwill & Intangibles Acquisitions Residual Cash Margin (ARCM) is ARCE as a % of Revenue



### Danaher Creates Value Through Superior Returns <u>and</u> Growth

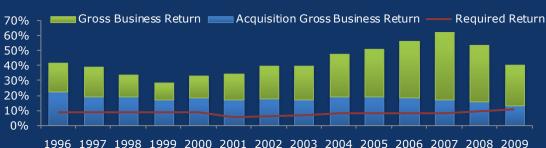


- Danaher's M&A strategy relies on being able to operate the target company in a more efficient way
- The Company's Residual Cash Margin (with and without intangibles) has been consistently positive and relatively stable
- When a business is run this efficiently, growth is tremendously valuable

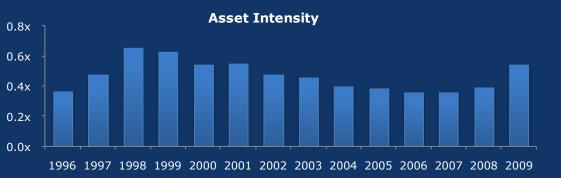




# The Danaher Business System (DBS) Focuses Management on the Relentless Pursuit of Efficiency







**Gross Business Return** 

- DBS is a culture where every employee from CEO to the shop floor is responsible for findings ways to improve the way work gets done
- Danaher has held margins stable despite the recent downturn
- More remarkable is the Company's ability to maintain low levels of Asset Intensity

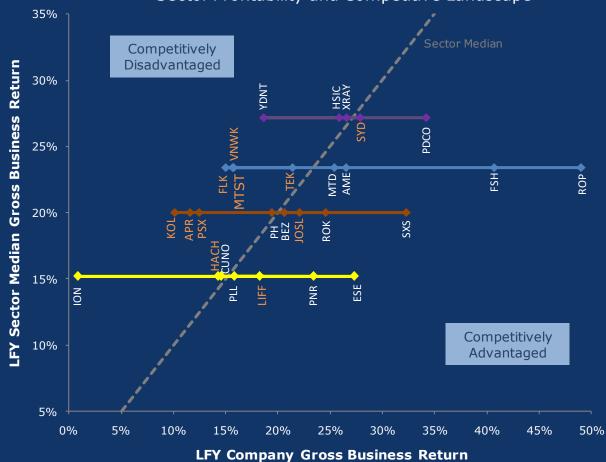
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Note: Gross Business Returns is Gross Cash Earnings (EBITDA + Rent + R&D Less Taxes) Divided by Gross Operating Assets (NWC, Gross PP&E, Capitalized Rent and R&D) Asset Intensity is Gross Operating Assets Divided by Revenue 5



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# Danaher Tends to Acquire Lagging Companies in Attractive Sectors



#### Sector Profitability and Competitive Landscape

Medical Technology: 27% Young Innovations (YDNT), Schein Henry (HSIC), Sybron Dental (SYD), Patterson (PDCO), Dentsply (XRAY).

#### Electronic Test: 23%

Visual Networks (VNWK), Microtest (MTST), Fluke (FLK), Mettler Toledo (MTD), Ametek (AME), Fisher Scientific (FSH), Roper Industries (ROP), Tektronix (TEK).

#### Motion:

20%

Kollmorgen (KOL), Pacific Scientific (PSX), American Precision (APR), Joslyn (JOSL), Baldor Elect. (BEZ), Spectris (SXS), Parker-Hannifin (PH), Rockwell Automation (ROK).

#### Environmental: 15%

Ionics (ION), Pall Corp (PLL), Hach (HACH), Lifschultz (LIFF), Esco Tech (ESE), Cuno (CUNO), Pentair (PNR).

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Note: Danaher acquired Gendex from XRAY not the entire company Source: Fortuna Advisors Analytics, using CapitallQ data

# Danaher's Public Targets Tend to have Higher Gross Margins, SG&A and most Notably Asset Intensity

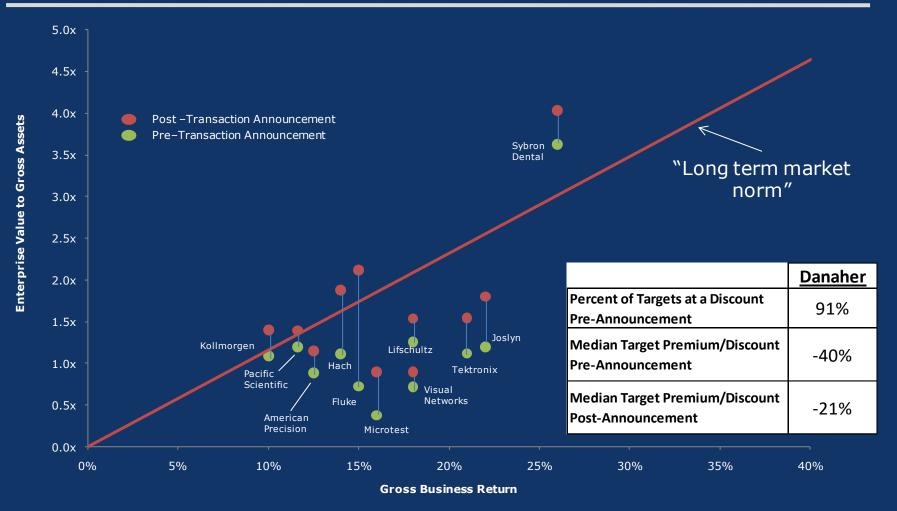
| Danaher Acquired Companies    | Time Period | EBITDARR<br>Margin | Gross<br>Margin | SG&A % of<br>Sales | Asset<br>Intensity | Gross Business<br>Return | Enterprise Value<br>to Gross Asset | Residual Cash<br>Margin |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tektronix                     | 2007        | 36%                | 60%             | 31%                | 1.56x              | 21%                      | 1.12x                              | 18%                     |
| Sybron Dental Specialties     | 2005        | 25%                | 56%             | 37%                | 0.81x              | 26%                      | 3.63x                              | 13%                     |
| Visual Networks               | 2004        | 28%                | 70%             | 48%                | 1.58x              | 18%                      | 0.72x                              | 12%                     |
| Lifschultz Industries         | 2000        | 18%                | 49%             | 34%                | 0.88x              | 22%                      | 1.25x                              | 11%                     |
| Kollmorgen Corporation        | 1999        | 12%                | 29%             | 22%                | 0.89x              | 14%                      | 1.09x                              | 3%                      |
| American Precision Industries | 1998        | 14%                | 31%             | 22%                | 0.96x              | 12%                      | 0.89x                              | 3%                      |
| Hach Company                  | 1998        | 26%                | 49%             | 28%                | 1.43x              | 14%                      | 1.11x                              | 7%                      |
| Fluke Corporation             | 1997        | 25%                | 54%             | 35%                | 1.39x              | 15%                      | 0.72x                              | 7%                      |
| Pacific Scientific Company    | 1996        | 13%                | 31%             | 22%                | 1.07x              | 12%                      | 1.19x                              | 2%                      |
| Acquired Target Median        |             | 25% 🧲              | 49%             | 31%                | 1.07x              | 15%                      | 1.11x                              | 7%                      |
| Danaher Peer Median           | 2009        | 18%                | 27%             | 20%                | 0.95x              | 19%                      | 1.69x                              | 8%                      |
| Danaher                       | 2009        | 25%                | 48%             | 27%                | 0.54x              | 41%                      | 3.68x                              | 16%                     |

Source: Fortuna Advisors Analytics, using CapitallQ data Danaher Peers includes Textron, Tyco, 3M, Ingersoll-Rand, Illinois Tool Works, Honeywell, and United Technologies



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### Like an Astute Value Investor Danaher has Demonstrated the Ability to Buy Companies Trading at a Discount



Source: Fortuna Advisors Analytics, using CapitallQ data.

Note: "Long-Term Market Norm" based on the historical relationship between Gross Business Returns and Market Multiples for the 1,000 largest non-financial US Companies



# Appendix



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# Fortuna Advisors Partners Experts in Strategy, Finance and Value Management



#### Gregory V. Milano

Managing Partner, Founder & CEO

- 25 years of experience including 17 years in value based management as Partner and President of Stern Stewart & Co., and Managing Director and Co-Head of the Strategic Finance Group at Credit Suisse
- Industry thought leader and advisor to senior executives on business and financial strategies designed to increase share prices, financial management processes to support value based strategies and a strong focus on behavioral economics to align the interests of managers with those of shareholders.



### John R. Cryan

Partner & Co-Founder

- 10 years of experience including value management at Credit Suisse and Accenture
- Extensive experience in Enterprise Performance Management, developing and implementing value-based strategies into financial management and decision making processes



### Steven C. Treadwell

#### Partner

- 15 years of experience including 9+ years of value management experience at HOLT and Credit Suisse
- Extensive work with some of the largest companies in the retail, consumer products and industrial sectors incorporating shareholder insights into the client's strategic decision process



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