

Illumina Set to Join the S&P 500

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NEW YORK, Nov. 12, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Illumina Inc. (NASDAQ:ILMN) will replace Sigma-Aldrich Corp. (NASDAQ:SIAL) in the S&P 500 after the close of trading on Wednesday, November 18. Merck KGaA is acquiring Sigma-Aldrich in a deal expected to be completed on or about that date pending final conditions.

Illumina provides sequencing and array-based solutions for genetic analysis. Headquartered in San Diego, CA, the company will be added to the S&P 500 GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) Life Science Tools & Services Sub-Industry index.

Following is a summary of the change:

S&P 500 INDEX – November 18, 2015			
	COMPANY	GICS ECONOMIC SECTOR	GICS SUB-INDUSTRY
ADDED	Illumina	Health Care	Life Sciences Tools & Services
DELETED	Sigma-Aldrich	Materials	Specialty Chemicals

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