

Fairfield company acquires DNA testing company

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FAIRFIELD — Fairfield-based DNA Diagnostics Center, one of the largest DNA testing companies in the world, announced Monday the acquisition of Orchic Cellmark, Inc., a leading international provider of DNA testing services for forensic and family relationship applications.

DDC offers DNA testing services for paternity and family relationships, cell line authentication, and ancestry, according to a news release.

“Our acquisition of Orchid’s government paternity business significantly expands the size and scope of DDC’s portfolio, further solidifying our position as one of the largest DNA testing companies in the world,” said Peter Vitulli, DDC President and CEO. “Orchid’s government paternity business has earned an outstanding reputation for excellent quality and reliability, as well as top notch customer service and we are pleased to enter into this agreement.”

Orchid Cellmark has provided testing services to government agencies since 1979, according to a news release. Orchid Cellmark did not return a call for comment Monday.

The financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

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