FORM 3

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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6. Nature of

Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr.

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 2. Date of Event 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Requiring Statement CHEMBIO DIAGNOSTICS, INC. [CEMI] PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS (Month/Day/Year) 04/04/2023 LLC 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (Middle) (First) (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing Officer (give Other (specify (Check Applicable Line) title below) below) Form filed by One Reporting (Street) Person **NEW** Form filed by More than One NY 10003 Reporting Person **YORK** (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) 2. Amount of Securities 3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned (Instr. Form: Direct Ownership (Instr. 5) 4) (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock 3,672,662 See footnote(1) **Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Ownership Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Conversion (Month/Day/Year) or Exercise Form: Direct (D) Price of **Amount** Derivative or Indirect Security (I) (Instr. 5) Number Date Expiration of Exercisable Date Title **Shares** 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC (Last) (First) (Middle) 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR (Street) 10003 **NEW YORK** NY (City) (State) (Zip) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Perceptive Credit Advisors, LLC (Last) (First) (Middle) 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR (Street) 10003 **NEW YORK** NY (City) (State) (Zip)

| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) |
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| 51 ASTOR PLACE, 10TH FLOOR | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK | NY | 10003 |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The securities are directly held by Perceptive Credit Holdings II, L.P. (the "Credit Fund"). Perceptive Credit Opportunities GP, LLC is the general partner of the Credit Fund, and Perceptive Credit Advisors LLC (the "Credit Advisor") serves as the investment manager of the Credit Fund and is a relying advisor under Perceptive Advisors LLC (the "Advisor"). Joseph Edelman is the managing member of Credit Advisor and the Advisor. The Credit Advisor, the Advisor and Mr. Edelman disclaim, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of its or his indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Credit Advisor or Mr. Edelman is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

/s/ Perceptive Credit
Advisors LLC, By: Joseph
Edelman, its managing
member
/s/ Perceptive Advisors
LLC, By: Joseph Edelman, 04/06/2023
its managing member
/s/ Joseph Edelman 04/06/2023
** Signature of Reporting
Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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