Croda International Plc 2014 Full Year Results

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Our performance





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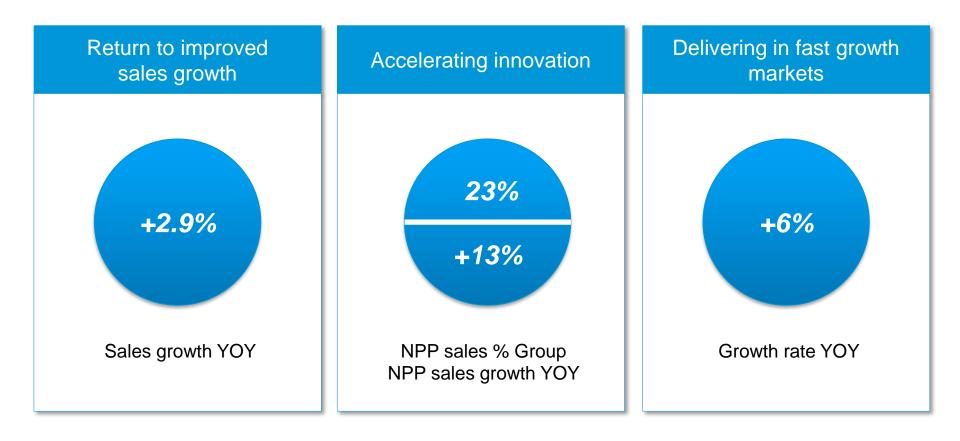
2014 headlines – improving sales growth

- Challenging market conditions, especially Western Europe
- Top line growth sales up 2.9%*
 - All core sectors returned to growth in second half*
 - Consistently outperforming our markets during second half
- Operating profit lower by £16.2m to £235.4m
 - Currency translation -£11.7m
 - Industrial Chemicals -£7.4m*
 - Profit* from 3 core sectors up £2.9m
- New structure achieving sharper commercial focus and improved customer collaboration
- Accelerating innovation sales of New and Protected Products up 13%*
- Strong cash flow supporting investment; net debt reduced to £180.2m
- Full year dividend increased by 1.6% to 65.5p





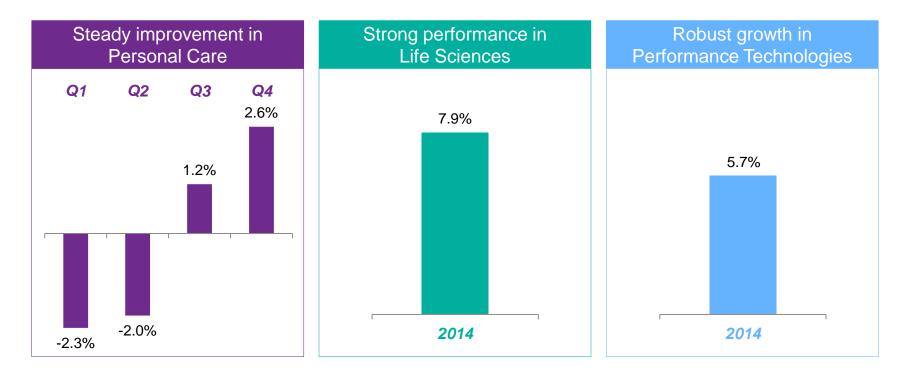
Strategy delivering progress in a tough environment





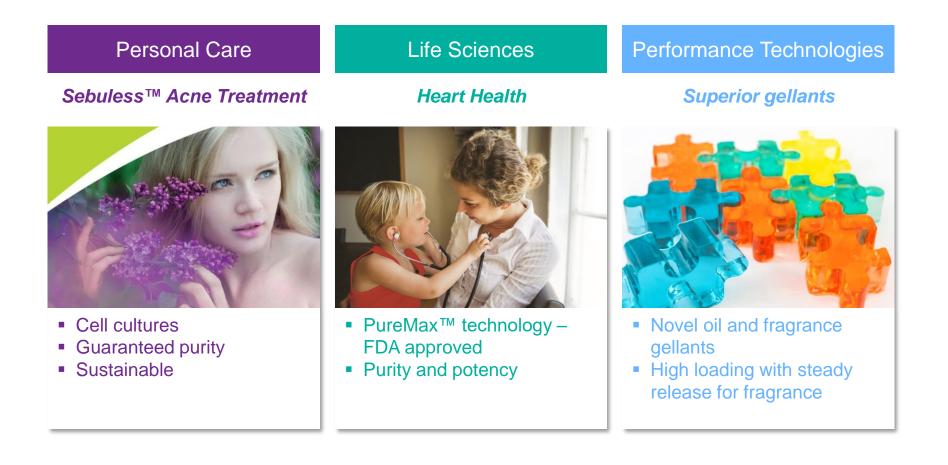
Return to improved sales growth

New market led structure starting to deliver





Accelerating innovation





Delivering in fast growth markets





Regional performance:

- Asia up 11%
- Improvement in North America and Latin America in H2
- Western Europe remained subdued



Constant currency, year-on-year sales growth

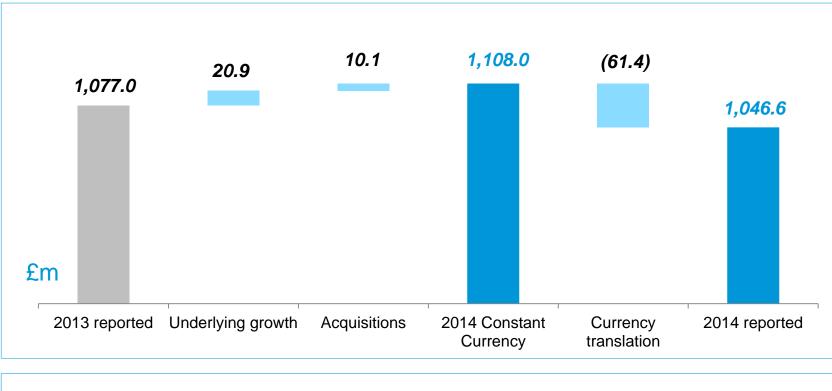
Financial performance





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Revenue up 2.9%*



 Revenue growth through NPP innovation, fast growth markets, Life Sciences and Performance Technologies

* At constant currency



Operating profit slightly lower*

£m	2014 Reported	2014 Constant currency	2013 Reported	Constant currency change %
Revenue	1,046.6	1,108.0	1,077.0	2.9
Operating profit	248.4	260.1	264.6	(1.7)
Net interest	(13.0)	(13.4)	(13.2)	
Pre-tax profit	235.4	246.7	251.4	(1.9)
Tax rate	28.0%	28.0%	28.7%	
EPS	125.2p	131.1p	132.2p	(0.8)
Declared dividend	65.5p	65.5p	64.5p	1.6



* At constant currency

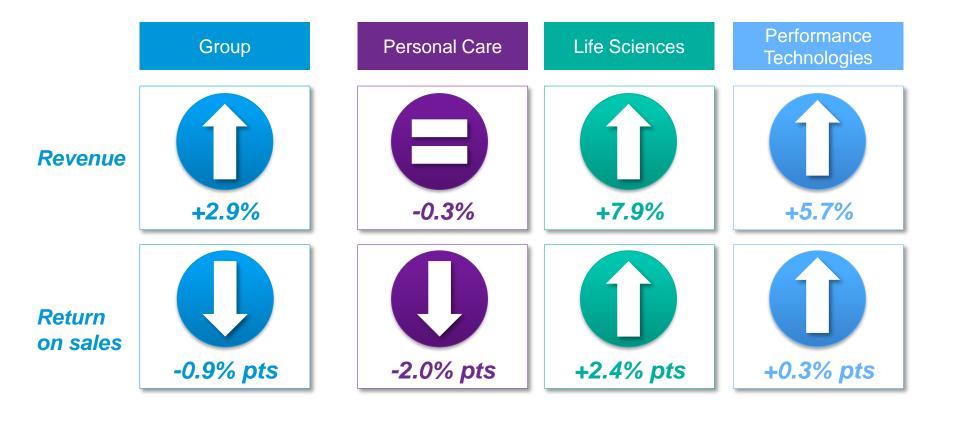
Overall operating profit increased in core sectors*

£m	2014 Reported	2014 Constant currency	2013 Restated	Constant currency change %
Personal Care	117.3	124.0	132.7	(6.6)
Life Sciences	64.7	67.4	58.6	15.0
Performance Technologies	63.8	65.5	62.7	4.5
Core sectors	245.8	256.9	254.0	1.1
Industrial Chemicals	2.6	3.2	10.6	(70)
Group	248.4	260.1	264.6	(1.7)

- Core profit growth as Life Sciences and Performance Technologies more than offset Personal Care reduction
- Lower profit in Industrial Chemicals due to weak commodity prices



Good progress in Life Sciences and Performance Technologies



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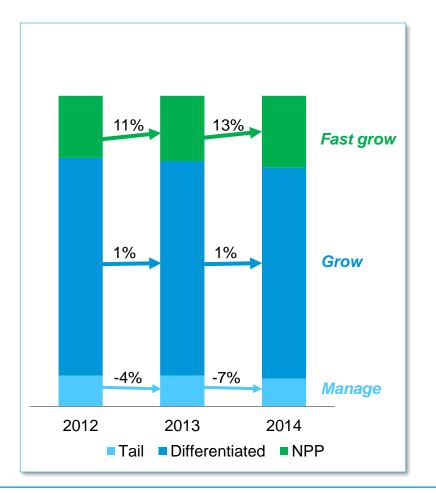
Constant currency revenue

Good progress in Life Sciences and Performance Technologies

	£m	2014 Reported	2014 Constant currency	2013 Restated	
al 1	Revenue	369.1	391.6	392.7	 Tough H1 sales, improving H2
Personal Care	Operating profit	117.3	124.0	132.7	Margin impacted by mixAsia developing well
<u>م</u>	Return on sales	31.8%		33.8%	
SS	Revenue	204.5	216.4	200.5	 Strong sales and margin in Health
Life Sciences	Operating profit	64.7	67.4	58.6	 Improving Crop sales following extreme weather
S	Return on sales	31.6%		29.2%	 Focus on fast growth markets
nce gies	Revenue	355.2	375.3	355.2	
Performance Technologies	Operating profit	63.8	65.5	62.7	Strong sales and improving marginGrowth in key niches
Per Tech	Return on sales	18.0%		17.7%	 Investing outside Europe



World class innovation being delivered



- Strong NPP better value add, broad based growth
- Net growth in differentiated e.g. significant growth in sustainable palm derived products
- Declining tail; lower commodity prices, tolling and exits



Revenue growth in constant currency

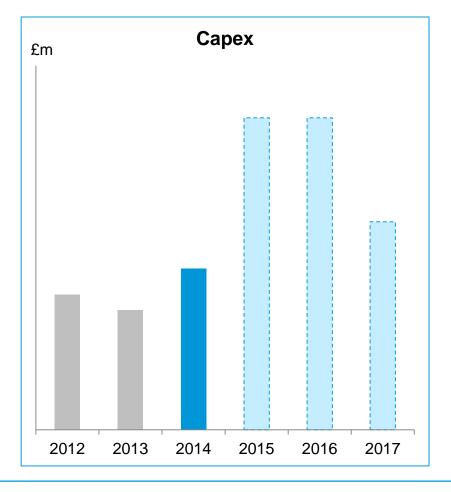
Strong cash generation

£m	2014	2013
EBITDA	279.4	297.2
Working capital	(12.3)	(3.0)
Operating cash	267.1	294.2
Capital investment	(65.0)	(46.6)
Additional pension contributions	(30.2)	(41.2)
Interest and tax	(57.9)	(58.5)
Free cash flow	114.0	147.9
Dividends	(88.1)	(83.6)
M&A	(1.9)	(54.9)
Other	(3.6)	(3.7)
Net cash flow	20.4	5.7
Net debt	(180.2)	(202.2)

Free cash flow definition amended from prior year



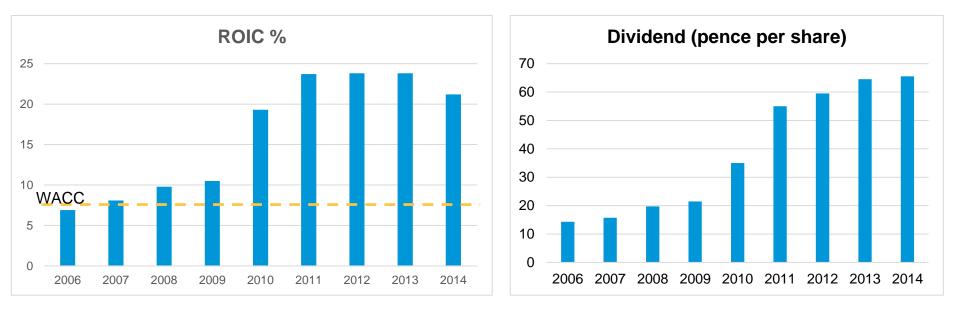
We continue to invest for growth and innovation



- Increase in 2014 investment to 1.8x depreciation
- Expect capex 2015-17 to be ~2x recent average – investment in bio-surfactants and developing markets
- Return to 'normal' spend level beyond 2017



A strong record of returns to shareholders



We have a clear capital allocation policy





*excluding retirement benefit deficit

Closing financial thoughts

- Tax rate stable
- Pensions no deficit contributions currently planned after January 2015
- Refinancing completed to 2019
- FX translation impact
 - \$0.01 change: £0.5m profit impact
 - €0.01 change: £0.4m profit impact
- Trading updates
 - Ongoing 4 market sectors
 - Quarterly reporting narrative & sales growth only



Delivering our Strategy – Being different



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Our priorities

Delivering consistent top and bottom line growth Increasing sales of New and Protected Products

Investing in a sustainable future



Personal Care – Looking ahead

Consistent profitable growth	 Improved trend in H2 2014 Growing with regional dynamos Competition in mass market – offset by growth in prestige and masstige 	
Increasing NPP sales	 R&D expansion in USA, Singapore, India and France Open innovation partnerships More technology acquisitions 	G
Continue sustainability leadership	 Growing demand for renewable ingredients Unique investment in bio-surfactants 	



Growing trend – Pure and natural





Life Sciences – Looking ahead

Consistent profitable growth	 Positive trend in Health Care Crop Care sales in line with market Opportunities to grow in nascent markets
Increasing NPP sales	 Leverage formulation expertise Growing niches in high purity Omega- 3, pharma excipients, dermatology and adjuvants Expand R&D in USA, India and UK
Continue sustainability leadership	 Natural / bio-based product portfolio Trend towards increased performance (potency, purity, quality)



Drug delivery





Performance Technologies – Looking ahead

Consistent profitable growth	 Growth across all regions Opportunities to grow outside Europe Continued focus on niche markets 	
Increasing NPP sales	 Greater specialisation Extensive customer project pipeline More technology acquisitions 	JC
Continue sustainability leadership	 Increasing trend towards renewable ingredients Investment in bio-surfactants 	



JD Horizons – FlowSolve™ acquisition



Friction modifiers



Addressing polarised regional growth

Western Europe	North America	Developing markets
Consolidate	Expand	Specialise and expand
37% of Group sales	26% of Group sales	37% of Group sales
 Simplify and streamline Cost rationalisation Continue to differentiate 	 Fast grow Life Sciences and Performance Technologies Significant capital investment programme Broader sales reach with additional offices 	 Partnering with regional dynamos Manufacturing expansion in China, India, Brazil, Singapore and Indonesia Specialise people and products

% of Group sales 2014 at constant currency Developing markets = Asia, Latam and EEMEA



Capital investment targeting fast growth markets



Singapore surfactants



Europe specialities for export



China expansion



USA high purity pharma



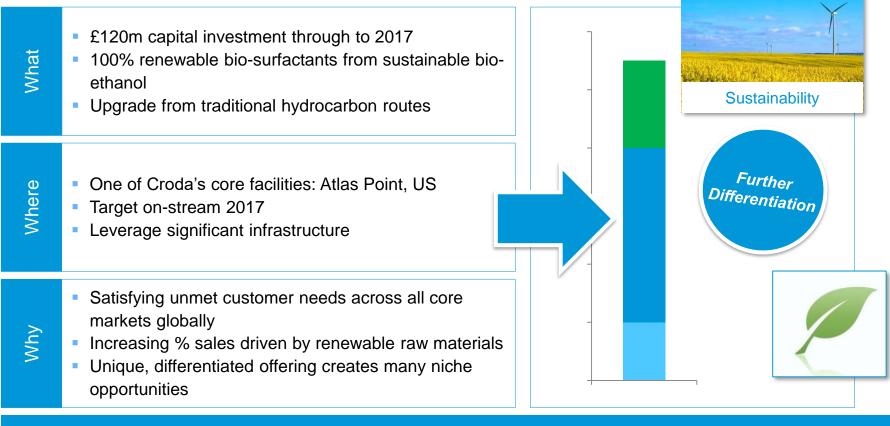
India excipients



Indonesia growth



Unique investment in bio-surfactants



First company in our industry to make 100% plant derived sustainable alkoxylate surfactants



Summary and outlook

Key messages

- Global market sectors in place and delivering
- Return to improved sales growth in H2
- Innovation at record levels
- Investment in fast growth markets starting to deliver

Outlook

- Europe remains subdued
- Targeting profitable sales growth
- Innovation key to driving growth
- Investment in capacity and resource to support growth
- Started 2015 in line with expectations









Full year revenue analysis

£m	FY 2014 Reported	FY 2014 Constant currency	FY 2013 Restated	% Constant versus 2013
Personal Care	369.1	391.6	392.7	(0.3%)
Life Sciences	204.5	216.4	200.5	7.9%
Performance Technologies	355.2	375.3	355.2	5.7%
Core sectors	928.8	983.3	948.4	3.7%
Industrial Chemicals	117.8	124.7	128.6	(3.0%)
Group	1,046.6	1,108.0	1,077.0	2.9%



HI/H2 sales analysis

£m	H1 2014 Restated	H2 2014 Reported	2014 Reported
Personal Care	188.7	180.4	369.1
Life Sciences	103.1	101.4	204.5
Performance Technologies	182.3	172.9	355.2
Core sectors	474.1	454.7	928.8
Industrial Chemicals	63.3	54.5	117.8
Group	537.4	509.2	1,046.6

HI/H2 operating profit analysis

	H1 2014 Restated	H2 2014 Reported	2014 Reported
Operating profit (£m):			
Personal Care	62.6	54.7	117.3
Life Sciences	32.6	32.1	64.7
Performance Technologies	34.4	29.4	63.8
Core sectors	129.6	116.2	245.8
Industrial Chemicals	2.7	(0.1)	2.6
Group	132.3	116.1	248.4
Return on sales (%):			
Personal Care	33.2	30.3	31.8
Life Sciences	31.6	31.7	31.6
Performance Technologies	18.9	17.0	18.0
Core sectors	27.3	25.6	26.5
Industrial Chemicals	4.3	-	2.2
Group	24.6	22.8	23.7

At reported currency



Q4 summary on previous reporting basis

	Sales				Operating profit			
£m	2014	2013	% change reported	% change constant	2014	2013	% change reported	% change constant
Consumer Care	141.1	135.0	4.5%	5.6%	44.6	46.4	(3.9%)	(2.8%)
Performance Technologies	82.8	80.4	3.0%	5.3%	14.0	14.5	(3.4%)	(4.1%)
Core sectors	223.9	215.4	3.9%	5.5%	58.6	60.9	(3.8%)	(3.1%)
Industrial Chemicals	26.3	31.0	(15.2%)	(12.9%)	(0.6)	2.4	-	-
Group	250.2	246.4	1.5%	3.2%	58.0	63.3	(8.4%)	(7.7%)

Retirement benefit deficit

£m at 31 December	2014	2013
Market value of assets	946.5	808.3
Value of liabilities	(1,073.2)	(944.1)
Deficit pre tax	(126.7)	(135.8)
Deferred tax	31.3	31.9
Deficit post tax	(95.4)	(103.9)

