Croda International Plc 2016 Half Year Results

26 July 2016



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Our Performance



Steve Foots – Group Chief Executive

Strategy continuing to deliver

Headline performance:

- More protected innovation: NPP sales up to 27.5% of total sales[†] (2015: 26.1%)
- Key technology platforms growing: Constant currency sales up 2.1% including Incotec acquisition
- Improved operating margin: up 0.8 percentage points to 25.7% (2015: 24.9%)
- Strong bottom line: adjusted pre-tax profit up 6.3%; adjusted EPS up 10.0% in reported currency
- Robust cash flow: funding over £56m of capital investment for future growth
- Continued dividend growth: interim dividend increased by 5.6%



Driving profitable growth

Sales expanding



- Key technologies growing
- Incotec acquisition

Robust & improving margin



- Increased innovation
- Clever product mix

Profit before tax increasing



- Value over volume
- Bottom line growth

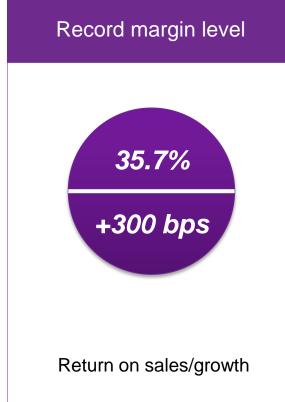
Record NPP sales driving strong bottom line performance

Constant currency



Innovation driving margin in Personal Care





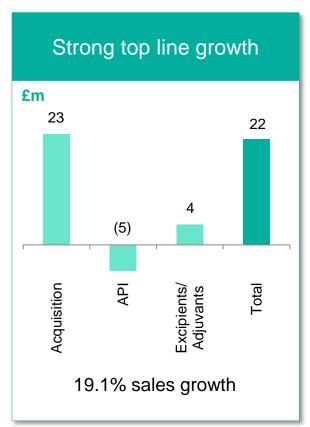
Delivering profitable growth

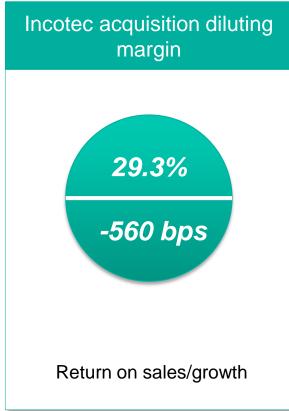
- Increased innovation & IP
 - Record sales in skin actives
 - New capacity in sun care
 - Investing in technologies
- Focus on fast growth regions
 - Asia > 10%
- Fulfilling trends sustainability and digitalisation

Constant currency



Growth in Life Sciences boosted by Crop Care and Incotec acquisition

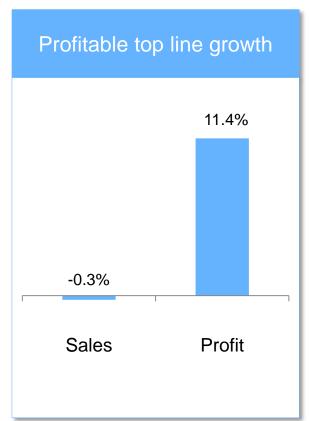


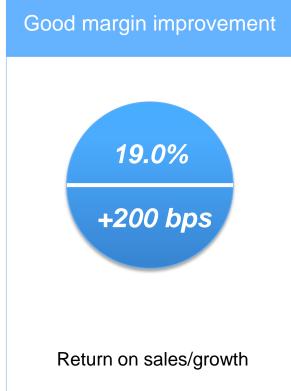


Focus on technology

- Growing high value-add technologies
 - High purity Health excipients
 - Crop Care outperforming
- Progress in innovation & collaboration
- Incotec integration underway
- Lower sales of APIs

Improving mix in Performance Technologies



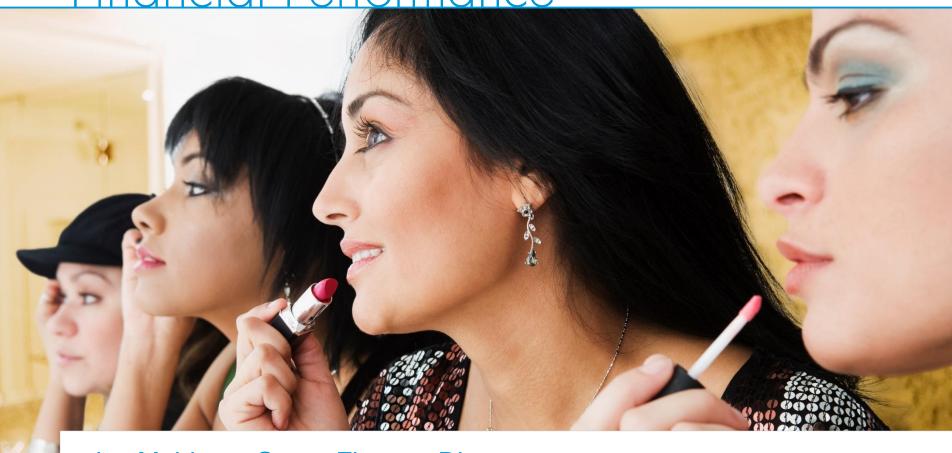


Enhancing the product mix

- Exited low value-add products
- NPP growth increased
- Growing in Asia strong SIPO performance
- Geo Technologies stabilising



Financial Performance



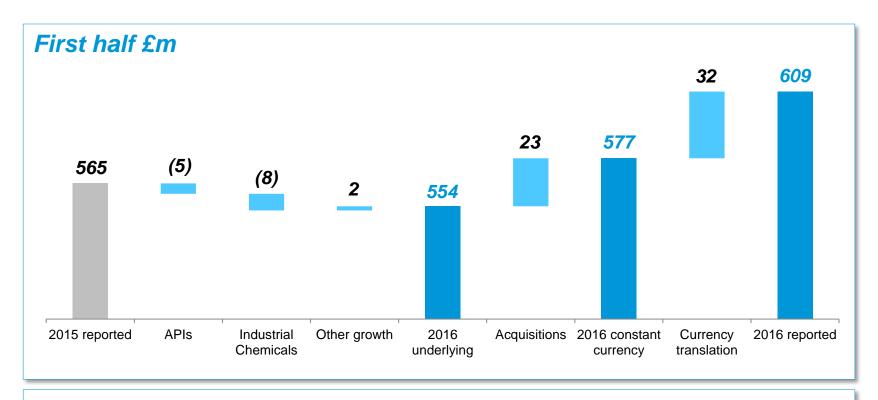
Jez Maiden – Group Finance Director



Strong margin driving profit growth

£m	H1 2016 reported	H1 2016 constant currency	H1 2015 reported	Reported currency change %	Constant currency change %
Sales	608.7	576.5	564.6	7.8%	2.1%
Operating profit	152.6	148.2	140.8	8.4%	5.3%
Net interest	(4.1)	(4.0)	(5.1)	19.6%	21.6%
Profit before tax	148.5	144.2	135.7	9.4%	6.3%
IFRS profit before tax	145.1		135.6	7.0%	
Tax rate (adjusted profit)	28.2%		28.2%		
Adjusted EPS	79.0p		71.8p	+10.0%	
Declared dividend	32.75p		31.0p	+5.6%	

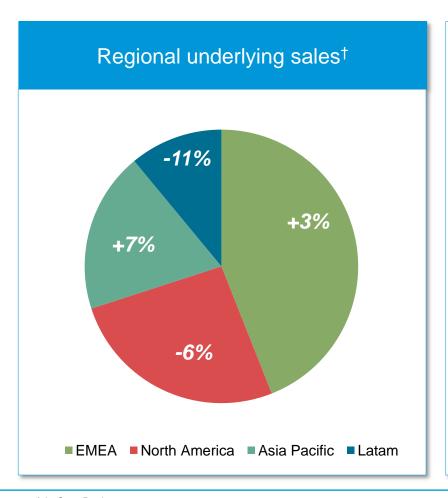
Sales growth driven by acquisition and currency



- Reduced sales of low value-add co-products & tolling
- Lower API sales
- Growth in remainder of Core Business & from currency translation



Continued top line growth in Asia & Europe

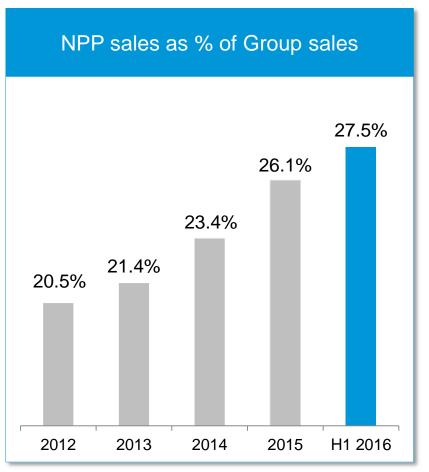


- Asia growth
 - Driven by proximity to local & regional customers
 - China & India excellent
- Europe robust
 - Personal Care strong
- North America
 - Business migrating to other regions
 - Lower API sales
- Latin America
 - Weak macroeconomic conditions
 - Growth in local currency terms



[†] In Core Business

Protected innovation driving profit growth



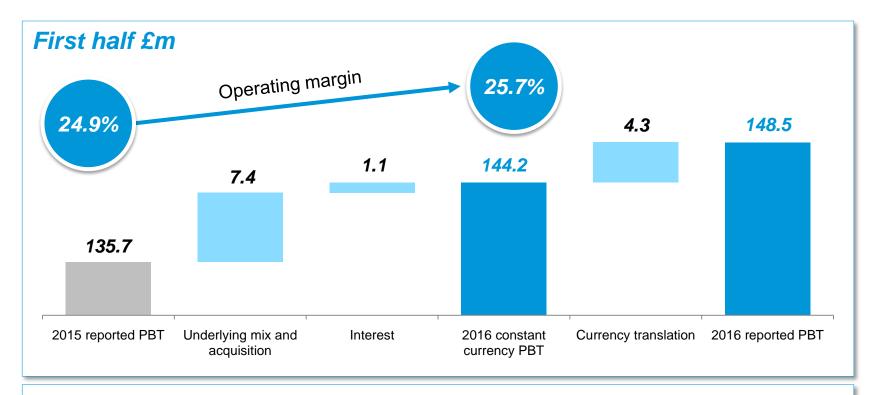
- Bigger and better innovation
- Record NPP sales in Personal Care
- Progress in Crop adjuvants and Health excipients
- Performance Technologies progress in Polymer Additives and clever Coatings
- Driving margin increase



In constant currency excluding Incotec acquisition



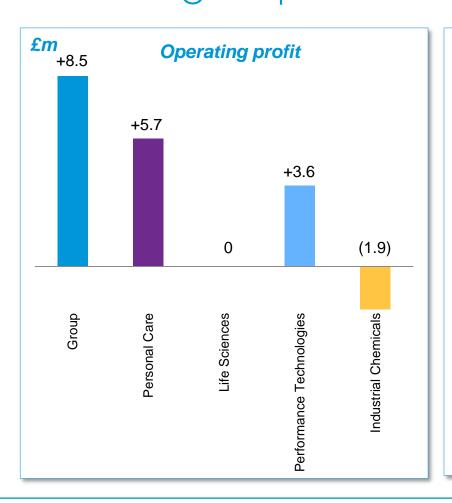
Innovation, mix and acquisition driving profit



- Profit growth driven by innovation, product mix improvement and acquisition
- Growth in operating margin despite Incotec dilution
- Interest cost saving



Robust Personal Care and Performance Technologies performance



- Profit growth in Personal Care
 - Richer product mix
- Unchanged profit in Life Sciences
 - Growth from acquisition and strong technologies
 - Offsetting decline in APIs
- Good progress in Performance Technologies
 - Low margin exits
 - Currency tailwind
- Refining mix in Industrial Chemicals



Robust cash generation, funding capital investment programme

£m	H1 2016	H1 2015
EBITDA	174.1	159.7
Working capital	(33.6)	(23.2)
Net capital investment	(56.8)	(38.2)
Additional pension contributions	(1.3)	(19.4)
Interest and tax	(32.5)	(32.2)
Free cash flow	49.9	46.7
Dividends	(187.3)	(48.9)
M&A	(1.4)	-
Other cash movements	1.1	0.6
Net cash flow	(137.7)	(1.6)
Net debt	(419.4)	(179.2)
Leverage	1.3x	0.6x

Additional long term funding secured at attractive rates to renew headroom

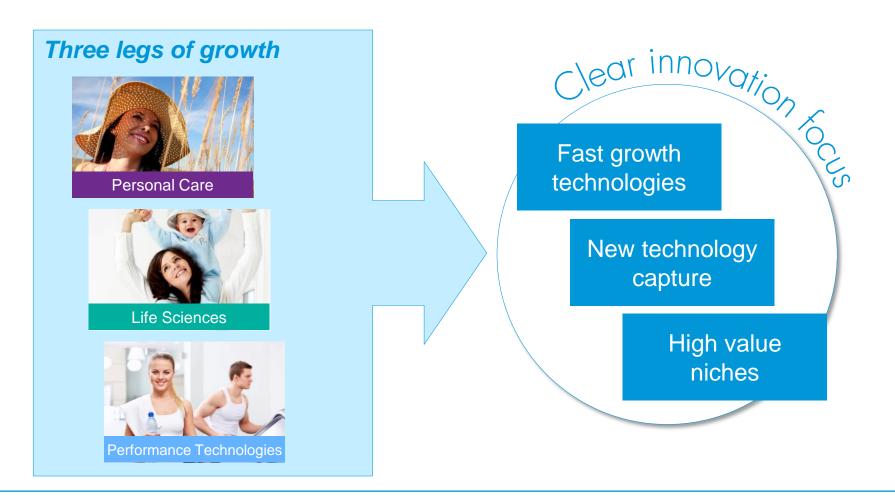


Impact of the EU Referendum

- Exit terms as yet unclear
- Limited initial impact:
 - >95% of sales ex-UK
 - 80% of production ex-UK
- Currency translation profit impact:
 - \$1 cent = +/- £0.5m (2015: \$1.52; H1 2016: \$1.43)
 - €1 cent = +/- £0.3m (2015: €1.37; H1 2016: €1.28)

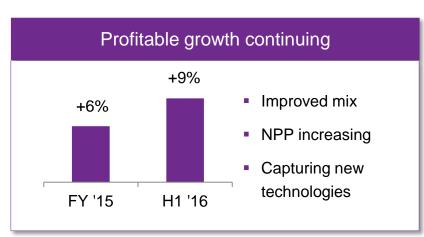


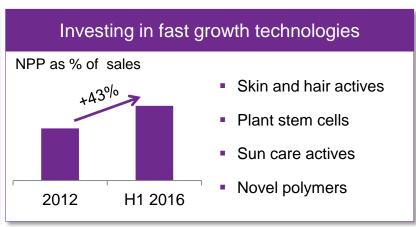
Delivery driven by increasing Intellectual Property





Personal Care: investing in fast growing, premium segments





Investing in high value niches MATRIXYL SYNTHE'6® OPTIM HYAL™ BEAUTIFEYE™ Anti-wrinkle Skin smoothing Eye micro-lines

Investing in new technologies



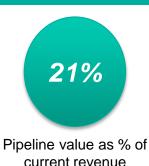
- Novel encapsulation
- Proven technologies
- Scale globally

Constant currency



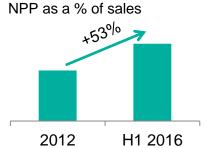
Life Sciences: investing in high value niches

Investing in innovation





Investing in fast growth technologies



- High purity excipients
- Advanced rheology modifiers
- Oral care actives

Investing in high value niches



Cancer drugs



Auto immune diseases



Ophthalmology

Investing in novel seed treatment technology



Seed biology know-how

- Undervalued IP
- Integration underway
- Leverage global sales
- Invest to grow the core



Performance Technologies: investing to improve margin and specialise

Investing in new geographies



- Double digit sales and profit growth in last 3 years
- Site expansion underway
- Benefitting most markets

Investing in fast growth technologies



- Friction modifiers
 - Water based coating systems
- High performance fibre additives
- Advanced materials

Investing in high value niches

Hypermer™



Advanced Materials

FlowSolve™



Flow Assurance





Phase Change Materials

Investing in new technologies

Novel non-leaching antimicrobial technology



Anti-scratch technology





<u>Key take aways</u>

2016 so far

- Subdued markets
- Richer product mix
 - Increased innovation more IP
 - Proactive exit of low value-add sales
- Impressive margin development
- All sectors contributing
- Strong cash generation

Outlook

- Continued economic uncertainty
- Innovation pipeline strong
- Confident of delivering continued progress in 2016
- Currency tailwinds



Questions



Underlying sales growth

	Q2 2016	Q1 2016	Q4 2015	Q3 2015
Personal Care	0.2%	(1.1)%	(0.4)%	2.0%
Life Sciences	(7.1)%	4.6%	5.5%	7.3%
Performance Technologies	(0.1)%	(0.6)%	0.7%	(1.1)%
Core sectors	(1.5)%	0.4%	1.5%	1.9%
Industrial Chemicals	(14.1)%	(10.7)%	3.5%	5.3%
Group	(3.0)%	(0.9)%	1.7%	2.3%

Profit before tax history

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Net interest	(4.1)	(4.4)	(5.1)
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Return on sales	25.1%	23.9%	24.9%

IAS 19 pension deficit

£m	30 June 2016	31 December 2015
Market value of assets	1,115.5	969.6
Value of liabilities	(1,264.7)	(1,048.4)
Deficit pre-tax	(149.2)	(78.8)
Deferred tax	38.3	22.9
Deficit post-tax	(110.9)	(55.9)

- Pre-tax deficit increased by £70.4m low discount rates
- Post-tax deficit now £110.9m
- UK scheme fully funded for scheme actuarial purposes next valuation due 30 Sept 2017



Capital allocation policy

Capital Policy

Reinvest to grow

Currently above average

Regular dividend

40-50% EPS pay-out over cycle

Disciplined approach to acquisitions

Excess capital returned

1-1.5x leverage target*



Half year leverage of 1.3x
Return of capital to mid-point of range £136m returned by special dividend in
June 2016



^{*}Leverage target excludes retirement benefit deficit