

Financial and Operational Review For the half year ended 31 December 2016



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Headlines



• On track to achieve full-year FY 2017 guidance

H1 FY 2017 results

- Revenue growth 5%, underlying EBITDA growth 6% (constant currency)
- Margin expansion in laboratory division 30 basis points, driven by international operations
- Australian earnings adversely impacted by Government policies
- Accretive acquisitions and joint ventures
 - Acquisitions: Staber Laboratory Group and Medical Laboratory Bremen (Germany), West Pacific Medical Laboratory (USA)
 - Hospital JVs: Western Connecticut Health Network (USA) and Baptist Memorial Health Care (Tennessee)
 - GLP Systems (total lab automation) increased ownership from 25% to 80%
- Sonic's global footprint delivering financial strength and risk mitigation



Summary

	STATUTORY			CONSTANT CURRENCY		
A\$ M	H1 FY 2017	H1 FY 2016	Growth	H1 FY 2017	H1 FY 2016	Growth
Revenue	2,476	2,453	1%	2,575	2,453	5%
EBITDA (before expensing non-recurring costs)	414	409	1%	431	409	6%
Net profit (after expensing non-recurring costs)	197	188	5%	206	188	10%
Earnings per share (cents)	47.1	45.9	3%	49.2	45.9	7%

- Statutory results impacted by 4-5% translation effect of stronger Australian dollar
- Revenue growth
 - 5% constant currency
 - Organic growth highlights: Australian pathology 4%, Germany 6%, Switzerland 6%, USA 3%
- Earnings growth
 - Laboratory division: margin accretion of 30 basis points
 - Particularly strong earnings growth in Germany and Switzerland
- Non-recurring costs of A\$6.5 million (acquisitions, lab relocations, restructures)
- Strong cash generation
 - Cash generation from operations A\$333 million, up 2.6% on comparative period
 - 102% conversion of EBITDA to gross (pre-interest and pre-tax) operating cash flow

FY 2017 Guidance Maintained

EBITDA

- Guidance issued 17 August 2016: Approximately 5% growth on underlying FY 2016 EBITDA of A\$876 million (constant currency FY 2016 FX rates), excluding acquisitions in the period
- On track after 7 months' trading to achieve full-year guidance
- Acquisitions expected to add less than 1% to FY 2017 EBITDA guidance
- Allows for A\$5 million p.a. new rent from sale and lease-back of properties in June 2016

Interest expense

- Expected to increase by 5–10% (constant currency)
- Current base rates assumed to prevail
- Tax rate
 - Expected at ~25%



Dividends

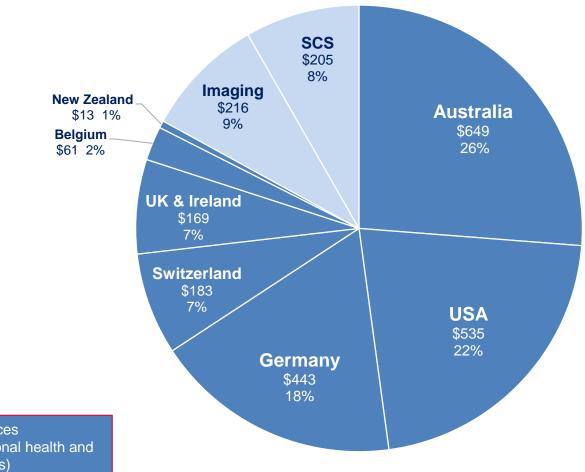
A\$	H1 FY 2017	H1 FY 2016	Growth
Interim Dividend	0.31	0.30	3.3%

Interim dividend franked to 20%

- FY 2017 final dividend franking level expected to be ~20%
- Franking level impacted by growth in international earnings, as well as interest, corporate overhead and other (e.g. R&D) tax deductions in Australia
- Record Date 8 March 2017
- Payment Date 11 April 2017
- Dividend Reinvestment Plan to operate for interim dividend
 - Fine tuning of capital structure in light of announced acquisitions
 - 1.5% discount, 10 day pricing period (13 March to 24 March)
 - DRP applications due by 9 March
 - No underwriting of DRP



H1 FY 2017 Revenue Split



SCS = Sonic Clinical Services (medical centres, occupational health and <u>other clinical service entities</u>) Statutory revenue in A\$ millions

Total H1 FY 2017 revenue A\$2,474 million (excludes A\$2 million interest income)





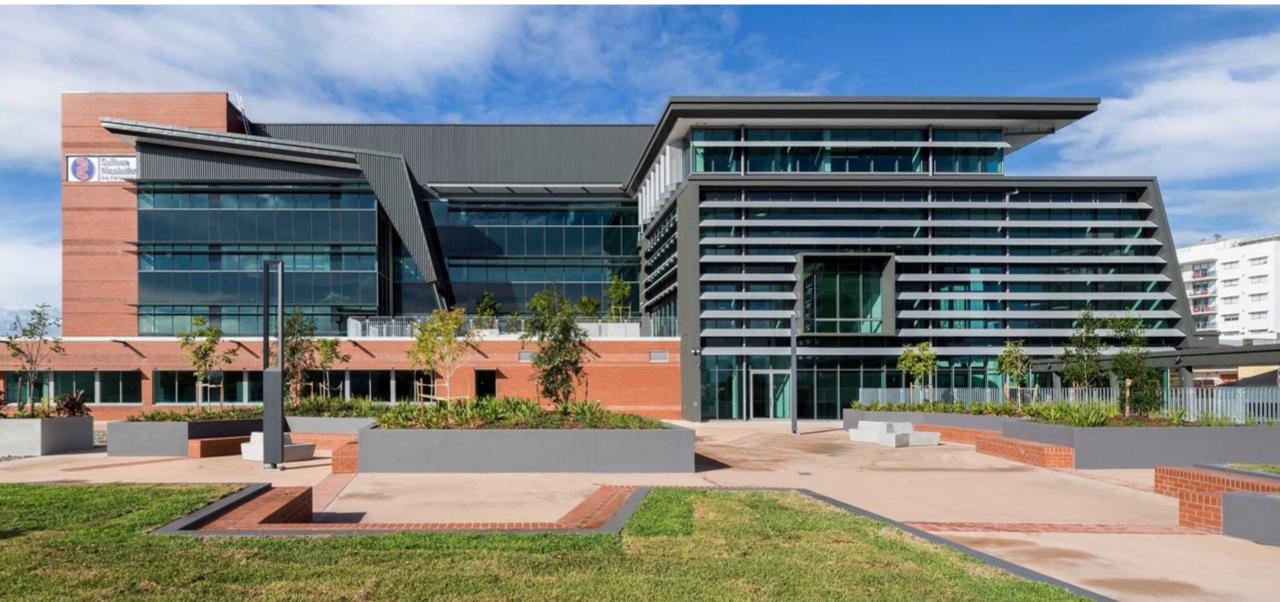


Australian Pathology

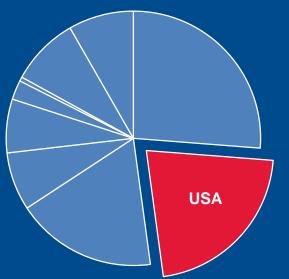
- Revenue
 - 7% growth, 4% organic, ahead of Medicare market data
 - APP (Adelaide) acquisition in December 2015, synergy realisation on track
- Earnings
 - Modest earnings growth excluding APP acquisition
 - Collection centre cost burden remains but cost growth contained in period
- Regulatory Update
 - Previously announced reform to clarify definition of collection centre market rent delayed
 - Previously announced Medicare fee cuts delayed until rent reform implemented
- New state-of-the-art laboratory for Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology, Brisbane
 - Successful relocation to new lab completed in late CY 2016
 - Enhanced operating efficiencies and excess capacity for future growth
 - GLP Systems total lab automation installed and in full operation (following successful installation at Douglass Hanly Moir Pathology in Sydney)
 - A major health infrastructure enhancement for Queensland and Australia



New Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology laboratory Brisbane, Australia







USA

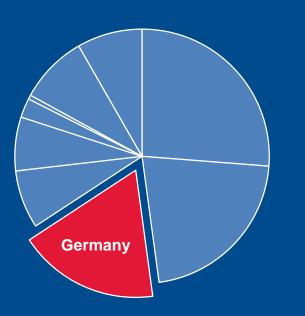
- Revenue
 - ▶ 3.3% organic growth (constant currency), continues growth momentum of recent years
 - Ongoing strong growth at CPL, Sonic's largest US lab, based in Austin, Texas
- Earnings growth with stable margins
- Hospital joint ventures
 - Western Connecticut Health Network: partnership for lab services in Connecticut, managed by Sonic's Sunrise Medical Laboratories, New York
 - Baptist Memorial Health Care: partnership for bacteriology centre of excellence, managed by and located in Sonic's AEL laboratory in Memphis, Tennessee
 - Both JVs to commence in April 2017
 - Further opportunities in pipeline
- Acquisition of West Pacific Medical Laboratory
 - Completed January 2017
 - Comprehensive laboratory, based in Los Angeles
 - ~\$30 million revenue p.a., currently loss-making
 - Significant synergies with Sonic's Californian operations to follow in FY 2018



Danbury Hospital Largest hospital in Western Connecticut Health Network







Germany

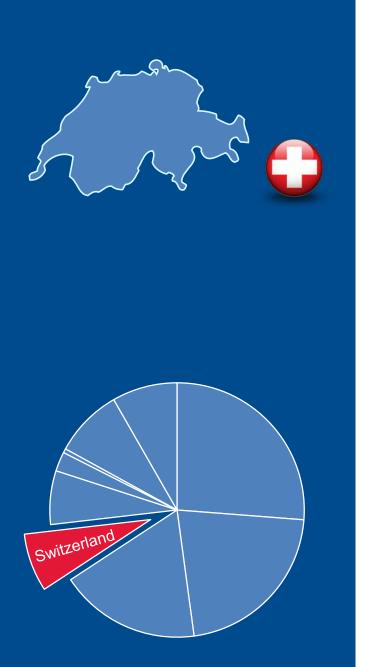
- Financials
 - 6% organic revenue growth (constant currency), well above market growth
 - Strong earnings growth and margin expansion
- Synergistic acquisitions
 - Staber Laboratory Group, completed 17 January 2017, revenue ~€80 million p.a.
 - Medical Laboratory Bremen expected to complete July 2017, revenue ~€30 million p.a., now cleared by antitrust regulator
 - Significant earnings accretion expected from FY 2018
- Operational highlights
 - Integration of Staber Laboratory acquisition underway, with wide range of programs initiated
 - New 8,600 square metre addition to Bioscientia central lab (Ingelheim) commissioned
- Regulatory environment
 - Private fee schedule (GOÄ) changes unlikely in medium term
 - EBM fee quotas to remain unchanged at least to end of financial year
 - Possible change of EBM quota system from federal to regional basis, no net revenue impact expected



New Bioscientia Laboratory

Ingelheim, Germany





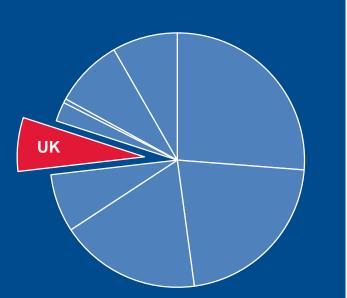
Switzerland

Financials

- 8% revenue growth (constant currency)
- Strong earnings and margin growth
- Operational highlights
 - Medica (Zurich) continuing strong performance
 - Medisupport (acquired July 2015) delivering on expected synergies
- Regulatory environment stable



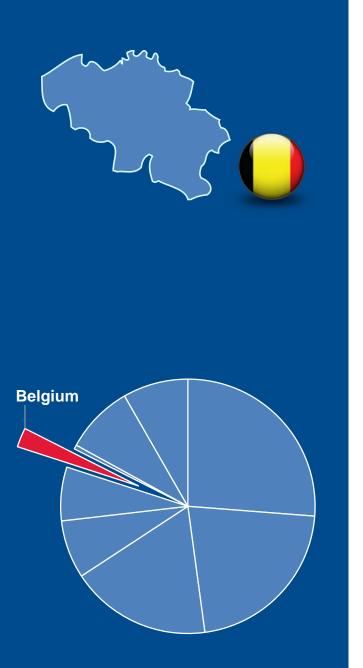




UK

- Financials
 - 3% organic growth (constant currency)
 - Private revenue ("Harley Street" market, non-hospital) growth 9%
 - Revenue and earnings impacted by contractual adjustments and lower growth in hospital volumes
- Operational highlights
 - Health Services Laboratories (HSL) joint venture with UCLH and Royal Free performing well
 - New outsource contracts for HSL worth ~£5 million p.a. since inception, with larger opportunities in pipeline
 - Expansion of Manchester hub lab to accommodate newly awarded Sexual Health contracts for Central and Southern UK
- New state-of-the-art central London core laboratory ("Halo" building)
 - Current focus on commissioning and relocation project planning
 - Staged relocation over coming months
 - Lab incorporates GLP Systems' total lab automation technology



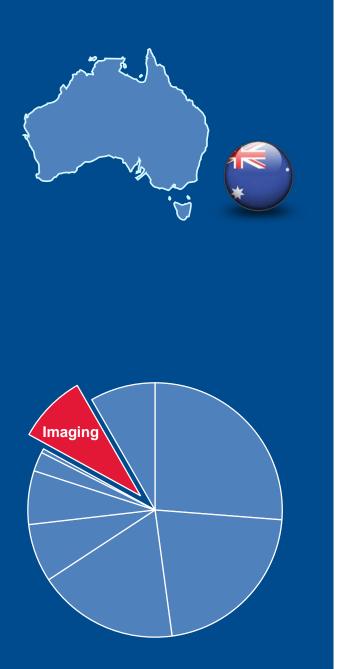


Belgium

Financials

- Flat revenue growth (constant currency)
- Revenue and earnings impacted by fee cut 1 April 2016
- Operations
 - KLD acquisition (July 2015) integration initiatives ongoing
 - Antwerp laboratory awarded national HPV (cervical cancer) screening program
 - Stable operating conditions

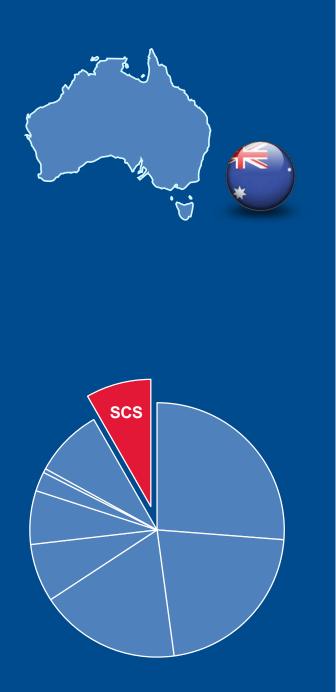




Sonic Imaging

- Financials
 - + 4% revenue growth, in line with Medicare market data
 - Market growth continues to improve, yet still below historical trend rate
 - EBITA growth of 3%
- Operational highlights
 - Ongoing investment in latest technologies (5th PET CT scanner, prostate imaging etc)
 - Establishment of targeted greenfield imaging sites
- Regulatory environment
 - Proposed Medicare fee cut delayed, discussions with Government ongoing
 - Government committed to implementing fee indexation for radiology, in tandem with GP fee indexation resumption





Sonic Clinical Services (SCS)

- SCS includes medical centres and occupational health
 - Australia's largest primary care and occupational health provider
 - > 235 centres and ~2,200 GPs
- Financials
 - 6% revenue growth, including acquisitions
 - Medical centre earnings impacted by GP fee indexation freeze
- Operational highlights
 - Ongoing successful doctor recruitment, with low turnover rates
 - Rationalisation of centres to enhance efficiencies and capture acquisition synergies
 - Rollout of state-of-the-art hardware and software throughout 235 centres almost complete



Debt Metrics

		31 Dec 2016	30 Jun 2016
Net interest-bearing debt	A\$ M	2,395	2,284
Gearing ratio	%	38.8	38.0
Interest cover	Х	11.3	11.5
Debt cover	Х	2.6	2.6

- Increase in debt due to acquisitions, FX changes and investment in new laboratory buildings and equipment
- Available headroom post-interim dividend and announced acquisitions >A\$400 million, assuming refinancing of maturing April 2017 facility

Gearing ratio = Net debt / Net debt + equity (covenant limit <55%) Interest cover = EBITA / Net interest expense (covenant limit >3.25) Debt cover = Net debt / EBITDA (covenant limit <3.5) Formulas as per facility definitions



Outlook



- On track to achieve full-year guidance, usual seasonal earnings weighting to H2
- Ongoing strong organic revenue growth of ~5% expected, underpinned by industry drivers and strong, established brands
- Announced synergistic acquisitions and hospital joint ventures to enhance earnings growth in FY 2018
- Ongoing pipeline of acquisition and joint venture opportunities
- Technology and automation, including GLP Systems, boosting efficiencies
- Infrastructure investments in recent years creating capacity for future growth and efficiencies
- Geographical diversification provides growth opportunities and risk mitigation
- Sonic's strong Medical Leadership culture binds our global team of 32,000 staff and provides critical market differentiation





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