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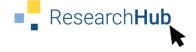
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What's it all about?

Performance One (PO1) has published its preliminary H1 figures, which show a well-on-track-performance, in a generally subdued market for marketing spend. The full set of figures will be released on November 13, together with an analyst and investor call (online) at 14:00 CET. Please find further details and registration information at **research-hub.de**. H1 figures prove the company to be on a solid path, as several cost reduction measures are expected to lead to a sustainable and profitable EBITDA. There is no need to adjust our estimates, which is why we confirm our positive view. We reiterate the price target of EUR 15.50 and our BUY rating.

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Target price EUR 15.50 (15.50)
Current price EUR 5.70
Up/downside 171.9%





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Solid H1 development and... The overall economy and most companies continue to experience a volatile and uncertain market environment. In this environment of only stable or even declining marketing spendings, PO1 showed a stable development with revenues of EUR 5.8m. (H1 22: EUR 5.9m). In addition, EBITDA improved significantly by EUR 0.9m and is now close to break-even at EUR -0.03m. Accordingly, the net loss for the period improved significantly from EUR -1.2m to EUR -0.3m. The bottom-line improvement is the result of management's strict cost discipline which should have a sustainable impact also in the upcoming years.

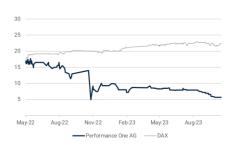
...guidance confirmed. Overall, the prelims are fully in line with expectations and management confirms the FY guidance: Revenues are expected in the range of EUR 11.6m to EUR 12.6m and an EBITDA is guided in the range of EUR 0 and EUR 0.3m.

B2B sales remain the focus of activities. P01's main growth drivers remain couch:now and the newly developed well-being app harmony and thus the activities in the field of e-mental health. P01 has received several grants (P&L effective in H2) from the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research for these health activities, which were awarded in connection with innovative Al. P01 targets the expansion of the e-health platform, which is expected to be the driver of both top- and bottom-line improvement from 2024 onwards. Recently announced collaborations with B2B customers (e.g., health insurance company vivida bkk) underscore the potential and growth opportunities in the area of employer's health care programs.

Conclusion. H1 figures prove the company to be on track to achieve its full year targets with the important aim to reach a lasting break-even on EBITDA levels. There is no need to adjust our estimates, which is why we confirm our positive view. We reiterate the price target of EUR 15.50 and our BUY rating.

Performance One AG	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Sales	10.4	12.4	11.8	12.0	13.2	15.6
Growth yoy	0.7%	19.7%	-5.0%	1.8%	9.9%	18.4%
EBITDA	0.8	-1.5	-0.7	0.2	0.6	1.0
EBIT	0.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Net profit	0.4	-1.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.2	0.6
Net debt (net cash)	-0.7	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.2	-0.7
Net debt/EBITDA	-0.9x	-0.7x	-1.6x	3.8x	0.3x	-0.7x
EPS reported	7.20	-2.16	-0.96	-0.18	0.20	0.51
DPS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Gross profit margin	66.6%	65.0%	63.6%	65.2%	65.7%	66.7%
EBITDA margin	7.6%	-12.3%	-6.3%	1.3%	4.6%	6.4%
EBIT margin	6.2%	-14.6%	-10.3%	-2.0%	2.0%	4.3%
ROCE	25.6%	-94.2%	-44.6%	-8.6%	8.7%	17.6%
EV/EBITDA	7.3x	-4.9x	-10.3x	45.2x	10.9x	5.8x
EV/EBIT	9.0x	-4.2x	-6.3x	-29.3x	24.6x	8.6x
PER	0.8x	-2.6x	-5.9x	-31.6x	28.4x	11.3x
FCF yield	273.6%	-40.6%	-25.6%	8.5%	10.7%	17.8%

Source: Company data, AlsterResearch



Source: Company data. AlsterResearch: IPOed in May 2022

High/low 52 weeks Price/Book Ratio 14.00 / 5.00 10.3x

Ticker / Symbols

ISIN DE000A12UMB1 WKN A12UMB Bloomberg P01:GR

Changes in estimates

		Sales	EBIT	EPS
2023E	old	12.0	-0.2	-0.18
	Δ	0.0%	na%	na%
2024E	old	13.2	0.3	0.20
	Δ	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
2025E	old	15.6	0.7	0.51
	Δ	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Key share data

Number of shares: (in m pcs) 1.13 Book value per share: (in EUR) 0.56 Ø trading volume: (12 months) 500

Major shareholders

Management	35.0%
Supervisory Board	26.5%
MuM Industrieb.	21.0%
Free Float	10.4%

Company description

Performance One AG is a German-based digital solutions provider. Its products and solutions are data and artificial intelligence (AI) driven, that help in digitalizing marketing and strategies. In its new business activities, Performance One offers data analysis services and develops business intelligence software called BIGNITE as online platform for well as an psychological self-therapy named couch:now.





Half-year figures

P&L data	H2 2019	H1 2020	H2 2020	H1 2021	H2 2021	H1 2022	H2 2022	H1 2023
Sales	5.1	5.0	5.4	5.3	7.1	5.9	5.9	5.8
yoy growth in %	na%	-3.1%	4.5%	6.2%	32.3%	11.5%	-17.1%	-1.7%
Gross profit	3.0	3.1	3.4	3.1	4.1	3.2	3.4	na
Gross margin in %	57.6%	61.9%	62.6%	58.9%	57.7%	55.1%	58.0%	na%
EBITDA	0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.4	-1.1	-0.9	0.2	-0.0
EBITDA margin in %	7.1%	7.2%	7.9%	-8.2%	-15.3%	-15.8%	3.4%	-0.5%
EBIT	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-1.2	-1.2	-0.0	na
EBIT margin in %	6.7%	6.4%	6.0%	-10.6%	-17.5%	-20.1%	-0.3%	na%
EBT	0.2	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-1.3	-1.2	1.0	-0.3
taxes paid	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.0	na
tax rate in %	48.9%	35.7%	33.2%	-12.4%	22.5%	-2.0%	1.5%	na%
net profit	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.6	-1.0	-1.2	-0.1	na
yoy growth in %	na%	-10.4%	-6.9%	-6.9%	na%	na%	na%	na%
EPS	na							





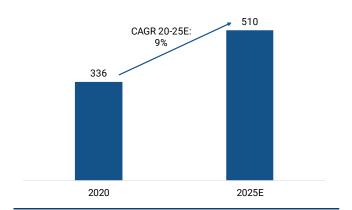
Investment case in six charts

E-mental-health platform: couch:now

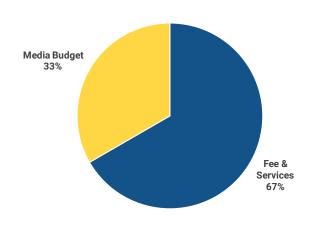


Global digital marketing spending

(in USD br



Sales split in % in 2021



couch:now content created by >40 experts



Serving more than 150 well-known customers















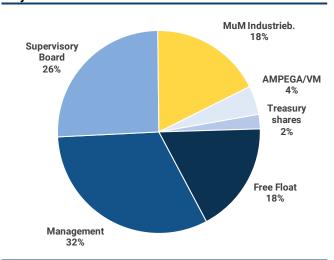








Major shareholder







Company background

Products & services

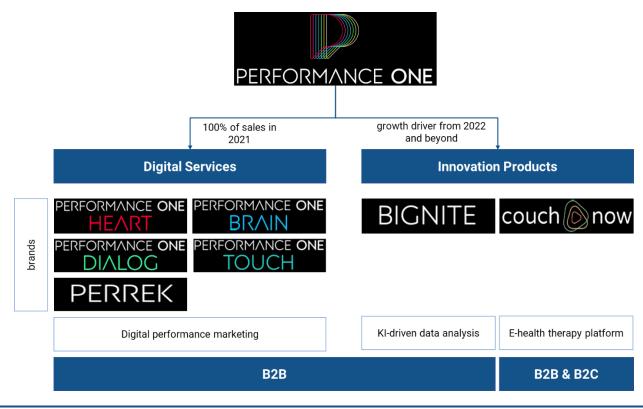
Performance One - In a nutshell

Performance One AG is a digital marketing agency and offers a broad package of Al driven services. The company offers the full range for digital transformation and strategy in marketing and sales. Performance One is a consulting and implementation company that creates, manages, and designs digital experiences and products for brands, companies, and people. This includes strategy development, digital marketing, and data analytics which together are the core services. These products and services, called Digital Services, represent the core activities of the group, and represent almost 100% sales in 2021. In recent years, the company turned its activities towards data-driven, innovative solutions which are the connecting element today and build the foundation for a scalable business model. These activities are summarized under the term Innovation Products.

Company structure separates Digital Services and Innovation Products

Performance One operates with two business units, which are **Digital Services** and **Innovation Products**. In addition, the company works with different brands for different topics and services. Headquartered in Mannheim, Germany, the company employs 114 people.

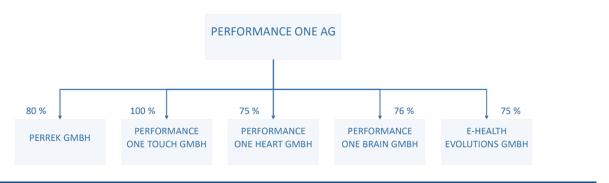
Performance One overview - Business units, brands, products and services and end-markets







Performance One - legal company structure



Source: Company data, AlsterResearch

Digital Services

The group's corporate brand is **PERFORMANCE ONE**. For the different topics of communication/ products and services, the company uses four brands: BRAIN, HEART, DIALOG and PERREK.

- BRAIN Focused on smart data consulting and specialized on data science as well as data analytics.
- HEART Specialized on creative services and human experiences and emotions
- DIALOG Stands for performance and digital marketing
- PERREK Core service is performance recruiting

Performance One's – core business: performance marketing

What is performance marketing?

Performance marketing comprises the implementation, evaluation, and optimization of advertising measures with clearly measurable performance. Based on the data, the efficiency of the individual advertising measures can be precisely analyzed and adjusted to reach the pre-formulated key performance indicators accordingly. In online marketing, this type of advertising works particularly well, as all measures carried out, from large advertisements to individual social media posts, can be analyzed and adjusted, if needed.

Overview of important elements of digital marketing



Source: AlsterResearch





Bread and Butter-Business: Digital Services

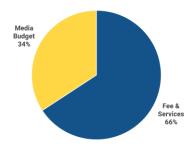
Performance One's bread and butter business is digital performance marketing of all types. Search engine optimization (SEO), search engine advertising (SEA), display advertising or social media advertising are just examples, as Performance One offers holistic digital marketing solutions, consulting, implementation, measuring and services in this area.

Defined areas of relevance covered by Performance One are:

- E-Commerce
- Digital Communication
- Data, Research and Al
- Customer Experience
- Social Media
- Search
- Digital Transformation/Strategy
- Platform

The company uses all common platforms (from Google to Facebook and LinkedIn to Amazon) to satisfy the requests of its own customers. This includes classic digital marketing, brand and customer experience, technology, automation and cloud solutions, digital personnel marketing as well as smart data and Al solutions that determine the success of marketing campaigns.

Sales structure in 2022



Source: Company data, AlsterResearch

In 2021, all revenues were generated with Digital Service activities. There are two major revenue streams: 75% are fees and services, while 25% are generated via media budgets. These are marketing services that are purchased in bulk from platforms, for example, and then passed on to the Performance One customer with a mark-up margin. The recently established Innovation Products segment has not made any significant contribution to group revenues until today.

Innovation Products: BIGNITE and couch:now

With the product-brands **BIGNITE** and **couch:now**, Performance One markets two software-as-a-service (SaaS) application. For both, the market entry took place in 2021 and the services are currently being rolled out. The significance of these offerings is expected to grow due to the Software-as-a-Service business model, which comes along with secured recurring revenues, high scalability, and a diversification from current project business. Both applications were developed inhouse and programmed, using internal and external resources. Common and widespread programming languages were used to allow easy integration and, if necessary, to easily implement a change from external resources.

B2B-Kicker: BIGNITE - a business intelligence solution via SaaS





The service BIGNITE was developed in cooperation with the University of Mannheim and is marketed as cloud-based solution. The core of BIGNITE is based on artificial intelligence (AI) that provides the data for smart business decisions independently of the business, product, or industry. For this purpose, forecasts are derived from the existing data of Performance One and customer-specific data of all kinds, which depict future demand. This helps Performance One's customers to use marketing budgets more efficiently. In other words, when demand at a client is high, (performance) marketing measures are scaled back, and resources – mostly money - are saved. If the capacity utilisation and demand is (too) low, on the other hand, higher marketing efforts can be used to ensure better capacity utilisation / higher demand / more orders, leading to higher sales and earnings, respectively.

The SaaS-business model has many advantages for Performance One. SaaS solutions can usually be implemented quickly and easily in existing customer structures. Therefore, the willingness to purchase is high if a corresponding benefit is immediately visible. After that, the subscription models ensure regular and predictable revenues for Performance One. And after a one-time implementation at the customers, the switching costs and with its willingness to change are usually very low.

B2C-Kicker: E-Mental-Health platform: couch:now

couch:now is a digital platform that offers psychotherapeutic self-help and counseling. The platform and its content were created in collaboration with universities, doctors, and therapists. The offer is sorted by topics which can be accessed by everyone. The market entry took place already, and the subjects 'couple counseling' and 'loneliness' are online available. Other therapeutic topics and addiction counseling are expected to follow soon.

For the time being, private customers are addressed. Performance One currently aims to be certified by the ZPP – Zentrale Prüfstelle Prävention as digital prevention application. With this licensing, the offerings on couch:now would be actively offered by health insurers and patients would be eligible for reimbursement. This would ultimately increase the acceptance rate at customers which would then significantly increase the addressable market. As the approval process started already, an certification could take place in early 2023.

couch:now: A cooperation with professionals, experts and two universities



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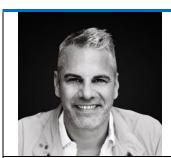
Distribution, clients and resellers of couch:now

Currently, customers include just German-speaking and tech-savvy users who book a course of their choice. Performance One is aiming for a health insurance reimbursement for the individual courses. In addition, health insurers should also request the offer in order to place it among their own insurance holders. The next step of distribution is B2B marketing: Companies could provide the courses to their employees as part of employee retention and disease prevention programs. Sales launch was in August and first customers were won already. In the mid-term, the fourth pillar of growth is the internationalization of the content through adopting to country specifics such as different languages.





Management



Denis Lademann Co-Founder and Member of the Board, CEO since 2009 (year of foundation)



Tobias Reinhardt Co-Founder and Member of the Board CEO since 2009 (year of foundation)

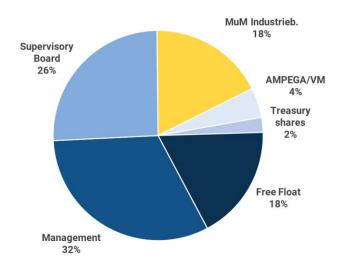
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Shareholders

The 1,057,524 shares of Performance One have been listed in the m:access segment of the Munich Stock Exchange and on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since May 2022. Since September, the stock is also traded on Berlin stock exchange. The inclusion of trading in the XETRA segment is in preparation, and a listing could follow in H2 2022.

On a positive note, in addition to the supervisory board and management (together hold +60% of shares outstanding), employees also hold shares of the company. Therefore, the complete team has an incentive to deliver performance, which is aligned with investors. In the current times of a shortage of skilled workers, this is an interesting incentive for the workforce and an even stronger signal to employees and investors. As further institutional investors are involved, the free float is just 10%. The shareholder structure since the IPO is as follows:

Shareholder structure







Performance One's History

2009	Founding of suchdialog GmbH by Tobias Reinhardt, Denis Lademann as well as Dr. Yorck Schmidt (advisory board)
2011	Beginn of cooperation with university of Mannheim
2014	Conversion of suchdialog GmbH into suchdialog AG
2015	Launch of new and data driven strategy: Performance One
2019	New corporate structure implemented. Suchdialog GmbH became holding entity while different subsidiaries and brands represent products and services
2019	Foundation of Performance One Brain – the Al driven in-house smart data management consultancy
2020	Start of development of own products: BIGNITE and couch:now are the data and AI-powered offerings
2021	Pre-IPO: suchdialog AG becomes PERFORMANCE ONE AG
2022	Successful IPO and capital increase took place





SWOT analysis

Strengths

- Proven track-record with well-known Blue-Chip clients (>150 clients)
- Balanced client portfolio across several industries
- Experienced management team
- Management and workforce are incentivized via share program
- Agility and flexibility due to a lean organizational structure and a generally asset light business model
- BIGNITE is the USP-service which is being rolled-out
- couch:now is a strongly scalable B2C business model
- Revenue streams become more diversified and less cyclical due to implemented SaaS business model - increasing share of recurring revenues

Weaknesses

- As of now, fees and service revenues from Digital Services represent almost 100% of sales and are mostly project based which occurs with several risk factors
- Sales of digital services are partly performance and success-dependent
- High fixed cost base due to labor costs
- Steady need of technical innovation / development and hence IT costs

Opportunities

- Offered Al-driven Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) should meet market requirements of steady data analysis to derive fast management decision
- High sales growth opportunities with existing and new customers
- SaaS model is appealing and interesting for smaller customers, due to lower ramp-up costs and reduced integration barriers
- Growing demand for digital solutions in all industries
- Successful approval of couch:now by The Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices enables reimbursement at health insurances

Threats

- Marketing budgets are among the first to be cut in times of economic downturn
- Fight for talents in field of IT and marketing
- Copycats: Digital players could try to adopt the business model
- Overall high market rivalry due to broad competition fragmented market
- Marketing often only works via strong platforms such as google, facebook and amazon, which are known to have a strong market position





Valuation

DCF Model

The DCF model results in a fair value of EUR 15.85 per share:

Top-line growth: We expect Performance One to continue benefitting from structural growth. Hence our growth estimates for 2023E-2030E is in the range of 10.0% p.a. The long-term growth rate is set at 2.0%.

EBIT margins are expected to recover after one-off cost for IPO and capital increase. In addition, margins should be supported by the roll-out of the SaaS activities (15% eAR). Therefore, group margins should reach higher levels compared to pure advertising activities (5% eAR). On group level, margins are expected at c. 10% in the mid-term.

WACC. The averaged 1-, 3- and 5-year historical equity beta is calculated as 1.60. Unleverering and correcting for mean reversion yields an asset beta of 1.21. Combined with a risk-free rate of 2.0% and an equity risk premium of 6.0%, this yields cost of equity of 14.7%. With pre-tax cost of borrowing at 5.0%, a tax rate of 25.0% and target debt/equity of 1.0 this results in a long-term WACC of 9.2%.

5.70

DCF (EUR m) (except per share data and beta)	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E	Terminal value
NOPAT	-0.2	0.2	0.6	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.7	
Depreciation & amortization	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	
Change in working capital	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	
Chg. in long-term provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Capex	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.5	
Cash flow	0.4	0.4	0.7	1.1	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.7	23.5
Present value	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	8.0	12.5
WACC	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	9.2%

DCF per share derived from	
Total present value	18.1
Mid-year adj. total present value	19.0
Net debt / cash at start of year	1.2
Financial assets	0.2
Provisions and off b/s debt	na
Equity value	17.9
No. of shares outstanding	1.1
Discounted cash flow / share	15.85
upside/(downside)	178.1%

DCF avg. growth and earnings assumptions	
Planning horizon avg. revenue growth (2023E-2030E)	10.0%
Terminal value growth (2030E - infinity)	2.0%
Terminal year ROCE	16.9%
Terminal year WACC	9.2%

Terminal WACC derived from	
Cost of borrowing (before taxes)	5.0%
Long-term tax rate	25.0%
Equity beta	1.60
Unlevered beta (industry or company)	1.21
Target debt / equity	1.0
Relevered beta	2.12
Risk-free rate	2.0%
Equity risk premium	6.0%
Cost of equity	14.7%

Sensitivity analysis DCF										
		Share of present value								
		1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%				
WACC	2.0%	11.1	11.5	12.0	12.5	13.0	2023E-2026E	11.3%		
×	1.0%	12.6	13.1	13.7	14.3	15.1	2027E-2030E	19.8%		
e in its)	0.0%	14.3	15.0	15.8	16.8	17.8	terminal value	68.9%		
nng	-1.0%	16.6	17.6	18.7	20.1	21.6				
Change in (%-points)	-2.0%	19.7	21.1	22.7	24.8	27.2				

Source: AlsterResearch

Share price





FCF Yield Model

Due to the fact that companies rarely bear sufficient resemblance to peers in terms of geographical exposure, size or competitive strength and in order to adjust for the pitfalls of weak long-term visibility, an Adjusted Free Cash Flow analysis (Adjusted FCF) has been conducted.

The adjusted Free Cash Flow Yield results in a fair value between EUR 2.05 per share based on 2023E and EUR 23.91 per share on 2027E estimates. **Our DCF based PT is best captured using the 2024 estimates.** It thus supports the DCF based fair value calculations.

The main driver of this model is the level of return available to a controlling investor, influenced by the cost of that investors' capital (opportunity costs) and the purchase price – in this case the enterprise value of the company. Here, the adjusted FCF yield is used as a proxy for the required return and is defined as EBITDA less minority interest, taxes and investments required to maintain existing assets (maintenance capex).

FCF yield in EURm		2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E
EBITDA		0.2	0.6	1.0	1.5	1.0
		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9
- Maintenance c	apex	-0.0 -0.0	0.0	0.0 0.1	0.0	0.0
- Minorities						0.3
- tax expenses		0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0
= Adjusted FCF		0.2	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.6
Actual Market C	ap	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
+ Net debt (cash	1)	0.6	0.2	-0.7	-1.9	-3.6
+ Pension provis	sions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
+ Off B/S financ	ing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
- Financial asset	:s	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
- Acc. dividend p	ayments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EV Reconciliation	ns	0.4	0.0	-0.8	-2.1	-3.8
= Actual EV'		6.9	6.5	5.6	4.4	2.7
Adjusted FCF yi	ald	2.8%	8.8%	15.9%	30.0%	60.7%
base hurdle rate		7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%
ESG adjustment		7.0% 0.0%	7.0% 0.0%	7.0% 0.0%	7.0% 0.0%	0.0%
adjusted hurdle		7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Fair EV	iate	2.8	8.1	12.8	18.7	23.3
- EV Reconciliation	ono	0.4	0.0	-0.8	-2.1	-3.8
Fair Market Cap		2.3	8.1	-0.8 13.6	20.8	27.1
Tall Market Oap	<u>'</u>	2.3	0.1	15.0	20.0	27.1
No. of shares (m		1.1	1.1 1.1		1.1	1.1
Fair value per sl	nare in EUR	2.05	7.13	12.04	18.36	23.91
Premium (-) / di	scount (+)	-64.0%	25.1%	111.2%	222.1%	319.4%
Sensitivity analy	rsis FV					
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	5.0%	3.0	10.0	16.6	25.0	32.1
Adjusted	6.0%	2.5	8.3	13.9	21.1	27.3
hurdle	7.0%	2.1	7.1	12.0	18.4	23.9
rate	8.0%	1.7	6.2	10.6	16.3	21.3
	9.0%	1.5	5.5	9.5	14.7	19.3

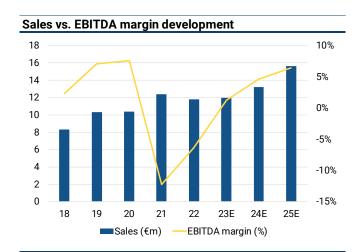
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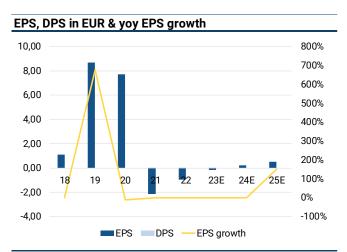
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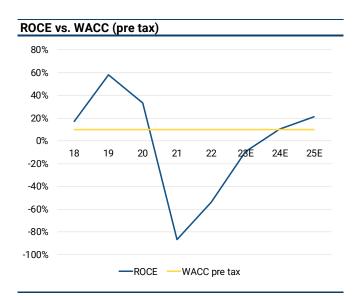


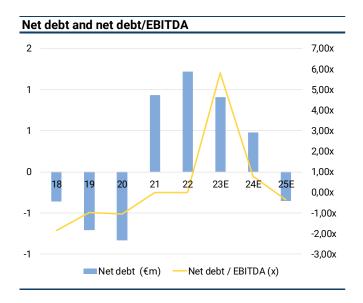


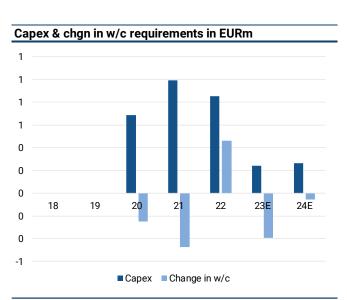
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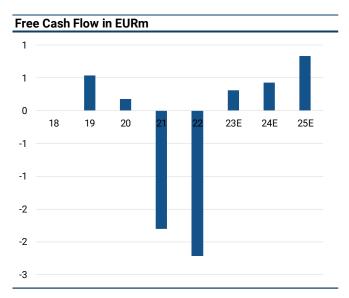














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Profit and loss (EUR m)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net sales	10.4	12.4	11.8	12.0	13.2	15.6
Sales growth	0.7%	19.7%	-5.0%	1.8%	9.9%	18.4%
Change in finished goods and work-in-process	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.1
Total sales	10.8	13.2	12.6	12.8	14.1	16.7
Material expenses	3.9	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.4	6.3
Gross profit	6.9	8.1	7.5	7.8	8.7	10.4
Other operating income	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1
Personnel expenses	4.4	6.0	5.9	5.3	5.7	6.6
Other operating expenses	1.8	3.7	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.9
EBITDA	0.8	-1.5	-0.7	0.2	0.6	1.0
Depreciation	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBITA	0.7	-1.7	-1.0	0.1	0.6	1.0
Amortisation of goodwill and intangible assets	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
EBIT	0.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Financial result	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	0.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Extraordinary income/loss	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Earnings before taxes	0.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Taxes	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Net income from continuing operations	0.4	-1.6	-1.3	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Result from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income	0.4	-1.6	-1.3	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Minority interest	-0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.0	-0.1
Net profit (reported)	0.4	-1.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.2	0.6
Average number of shares	0.05	0.71	1.09	1.13	1.13	1.13
EPS reported	7.20	-2.16	-0.96	-0.18	0.20	0.51

Profit and loss (common size)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net sales	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Change in finished goods and work-in-process	4%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%
Total sales	104%	107%	107%	107%	107%	107%
Material expenses	38%	42%	43%	42%	41%	40%
Gross profit	67%	65%	64%	65%	66%	67%
Other operating income	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%
Personnel expenses	43%	48%	50%	44%	43%	42%
Other operating expenses	17%	30%	22%	20%	19%	19%
EBITDA	8%	-12%	-6%	1%	5%	6%
Depreciation	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%
EBITA	7%	-13%	-8%	1%	5%	6%
Amortisation of goodwill and intangible assets	1%	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%
EBIT	6%	-15%	-10%	-2%	2%	4%
Financial result	-0%	-0%	-0%	0%	0%	0%
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	6%	-15%	-11%	-2%	2%	4%
Extraordinary income/loss	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Earnings before taxes	6%	-15%	-11%	-2%	2%	4%
Taxes	2%	-2%	0%	0%	-0%	-0%
Net income from continuing operations	4%	-13%	-11%	-2%	2%	4%
Result from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Net income	4%	-13%	-11%	-2%	2%	4%
Minority interest	-0%	1%	2%	0%	-0%	-1%
Net profit (reported)	4%	-12%	-9%	-2%	2%	4%





Balance sheet (EURm)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Intangible assets (exl. Goodwill)	0.7	1.4	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6
Goodwill	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Property, plant and equipment	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial assets	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
FIXED ASSETS	0.8	1.7	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8
Inventories	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accounts receivable	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.6	1.8
Other current assets	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Liquid assets	1.4	0.6	0.7	1.3	1.7	2.5
Deferred taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
CURRENT ASSETS	2.8	2.6	2.6	3.0	3.6	4.6
TOTAL ASSETS	3.6	4.3	4.7	4.9	5.4	6.5
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	1.5	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.6
MINORITY INTEREST	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Long-term debt	0.6	1.5	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other provisions	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Non-current liabilities	0.9	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2
short-term liabilities to banks	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accounts payable	0.6	1.5	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.8
Advance payments received on orders	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
Deferred taxes	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Current liabilities	1.3	2.4	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.4
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	3.6	4.2	4.5	4.7	5.2	6.2

Balance sheet (common size)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Intangible assets (excl. Goodwill)	20%	32%	38%	34%	30%	25%
Goodwill	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Property, plant and equipment	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Financial assets	1%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%
FIXED ASSETS	23%	39%	44%	39%	34%	28%
Inventories	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Accounts receivable	36%	42%	36%	29%	29%	28%
Other current assets	1%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Liquid assets	39%	13%	14%	26%	31%	39%
Deferred taxes	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
CURRENT ASSETS	77%	61%	56%	61%	66%	72%
TOTAL ASSETS	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	41%	-2%	13%	13%	17%	25%
MINORITY INTEREST	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Long-term debt	16%	34%	40%	38%	35%	29%
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other provisions	8%	8%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Non-current liabilities	24%	42%	44%	43%	39%	34%
short-term liabilities to banks	3%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Accounts payable	18%	34%	25%	29%	29%	27%
Advance payments received on orders	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	9%	12%	11%	10%	10%	10%
Deferred taxes	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Deferred income	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Current liabilities	35%	56%	37%	39%	38%	37%
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	101%	97%	95%	95%	96%	96%





Cash flow statement (EUR m)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net profit/loss	0.4	-1.6	-1.3	-0.2	0.3	0.7
Depreciation of fixed assets (incl. leases)	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.3
Others	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from operations before changes in w/c	0.6	-1.3	-0.9	0.2	0.6	1.1
Increase/decrease in inventory	0.2	-0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in accounts receivable	0.0	-0.7	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Increase/decrease in accounts payable	0.0	1.2	-0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2
Increase/decrease in other w/c positions	0.0	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Increase/decrease in working capital	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	0.4	0.1	0.1
Cash flow from operating activities	0.9	-1.5	-1.4	0.6	0.7	1.1
CAPEX	-0.7	-1.0	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Payments for acquisitions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial investments	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Income from asset disposals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from investing activities	-0.7	-1.0	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Cash flow before financing	0.2	-2.5	-2.2	0.3	0.4	0.8
Increase/decrease in debt position	0.5	1.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Purchase of own shares	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital measures	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	-0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash	0.0	0.0	-1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from financing activities	0.4	1.0	2.3	0.3	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in liquid assets	0.7	-1.5	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.8
Liquid assets at end of period	1.5	-0.1	0.0	0.6	1.1	1.9

Source: Company data; AlsterResearch

Regional sales split (EURm)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Domestic	10.4	12.4	11.8	12.0	13.2	15.6
Europe (ex domestic)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
The Americas	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rest of World	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total sales	10.4	12.4	11.8	12.0	13.2	15.6

Regional sales split (common size)	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Domestic	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Europe (ex domestic)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
The Americas	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Asia	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Rest of World	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total sales	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%





Ratios	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Per share data						
Earnings per share reported	7.20	-2.16	-0.96	-0.18	0.20	0.51
Cash flow per share	15.60	-2.31	-1.46	0.49	0.61	1.01
Book value per share	27.47	-0.10	0.56	0.59	0.83	1.45
Dividend per share	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Valuation						
P/E	0.8x	-2.6x	-5.9x	-31.6x	28.4x	11.3x
P/CF	0.4x	-2.5x	-3.9x	11.7x	9.3x	5.6x
P/BV	0.2x	-57.3x	10.3x	9.7x	6.8x	3.9x
Dividend yield (%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
FCF yield (%)	273.6%	-40.6%	-25.6%	8.5%	10.7%	17.8%
EV/Sales	0.6x	0.6x	0.7x	0.6x	0.5x	0.4x
EV/EBITDA	7.3x	-4.9x	-10.3x	45.2x	10.9x	5.8x
EV/EBIT	9.0x	-4.2x	-6.3x	-29.3x	24.6x	8.6x
Income statement (EURm)						
Sales	10.4	12.4	11.8	12.0	13.2	15.6
yoy chg in %	0.7%	19.7%	-5.0%	1.8%	9.9%	18.4%
Gross profit	6.9	8.1	7.5	7.8	8.7	10.4
Gross margin in %	66.6%	65.0%	63.6%	65.2%	65.7%	66.7%
EBITDA	0.8	-1.5	-0.7	0.2	0.6	1.0
EBITDA margin in %	7.6%	-12.3%	-6.3%	1.3%	4.6%	6.4%
EBIT	0.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7
EBIT margin in %	6.2%	-14.6%	-10.3%	-2.0%	2.0%	4.3%
Net profit	0.4	-1.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.2	0.6
Cash flow statement (EURm)						
CF from operations	0.9	-1.5	-1.4	0.6	0.7	1.1
Capex	-0.7	-1.0	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Maintenance Capex	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Free cash flow	0.2	-2.5	-2.2	0.3	0.4	0.8
Balance sheet (EURm)						
Intangible assets	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7
Tangible assets	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Shareholders' equity	1.5	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.6
Pension provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Liabilities and provisions	1.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2
Net financial debt	-0.7	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.2	-0.7
w/c requirements	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ratios						
ROE	28.1%	2,297.6%	-210.2%	-37.3%	29.4%	42.5%
ROCE	25.6%	-94.2%	-44.6%	-8.6%	8.7%	17.6%
Net gearing	-47.5%	-1,524.4%	200.1%	90.1%	18.1%	-40.3%
Net debt / EBITDA	-0.9x	-0.7x	-1.6x	3.8x	0.3x	-0.7x
Source: Company data: AlsterResearch						





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