Upside

(CDAX, Chemicals, ACT GR)



Buy	
EUR 33.00	(EUR 25.50)
Price	EUR 19.00

73.7 %

Value Indicators:	EUR
DCF:	33.05
FCF-Value Potential 23-25:	38.21
SotP 23-24:	40.51
Market Snapshot:	EUR m
Market cap:	192.6
No. of shares (m):	10.1
EV:	358.3
Freefloat MC:	89.9
Ø Trad. Vol. (30d):	184.54 th

Warburg ESG Risk Score:	24
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ESG Score (MSCI based):	3.0
Balance Sheet Score:	3.3
Market Liquidity Score:	1.0
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Shareholders:	

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Freefloat

Own shares

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Description:	
Alzchem is an integrated specialty chemicals provider	

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	Key Figures (WRe):	2023e
46.68 %	Beta:	1.6
25.13 %	Price / Book:	1.2 x
15.05 %	Equity Ratio:	37 %
12.74 %	Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA:	1.1 x
0.40 %	Net Debt / EBITDA:	2.4 x

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		Q4 2022	yoy	Q4 2022e	Q4 2021	Consensus	FY 2022	yoy	FY 2022e	FY 2021
	Sales Group	133.20	19.9%	133.80	111.05	128.5	542.22	28.4%	542.82	422.29
thereof	Specialty Chemicals	73.90	29.0%	70.45	57.28		288.36	30.8%	284.91	220.50
	Basics & Intermediates	52.61	10.6%	57.07	47.56		227.54	29.1%	232.00	176.27
	Other & Holding	6.68	7.6%	6.28	6.21		26.32	3.1%	25.91	25.52
	EBITDA Group	14.41	15.4%	11.71	12.49	12.1	61.441	-1.0%	58.74	62.05
	EBITDA margin	10.8%		8.8%	11.3%		11.3%		10.8%	14.7%
thereof	Specialty Chemicals	7.79	-34.1%	11.27	11.82		53.01	4.6%	56.50	50.66
	Basics & Intermediates	3.91	212.7%	0.50	1.25		4.98	-48.8%	1.57	9.74
	Other & Holding	1.04	107.2%	0.44	0.50		1.96	39.4%	2.74	1.41
	Consolidation	1.68	n.m.	-0.50	-1.08		1.49	n.m.	-2.08	0.25
	EBIT Group	7.80	32.3%	5.40	5.90	5.80	35.90	-4.5%	33.50	37.57
	Net profit	6.88	16.8%	2.83	5.89	2.20	30.22	8.9%	26.18	27.76
	EpS	0.66	13.8%	0.28	0.58	0.21	2.96	8.8%	2.57	2.72

Comment on Figures:

- Q4 2022 figures were ahead of consensus and our estimates.
- Volumes were down -8.2%, but prices increased by 24.2%. FX effects added another 3.9%.
- Basic & Intermediates reported an increase in prices (+37.6% yoy) but also a -27.8% drop in volumes. EBITDA increased by 213% yoy to EUR 3.9m. This was mostly driven by one-off income of EUR 5.2m from derivatives.
- Specialty Chemicals was impacted by higher costs, despite a 15.5% yoy-increase in prices and a 6.6% volume-increase. Hence, EBITDA declined by -34.1% yoy to EUR 7.8m.

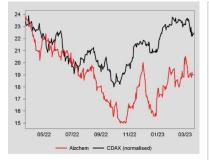
In FY 2022, working capital increased by EUR 46m, mostly owing to higher input costs but also higher volumes of stock, which were needed to bridge logistical shortcomings and temporary unavailability of raw materials. As a consequence, FCF generation turned negative (EUR -32.8m compared to EUR 14.5m in FY 2021). Nevertheless, Alzchem's management proposed increasing the dividend per share by 5% to EUR 1.05 for FY 2022. We expect FCF to turn positive again in FY 2023 (WRe: EUR 23.5m). Despite expectations that price levels for both energy and raw material will remain elevated, Alzchem expects at least slight growth in FY 2023 sales and EBITDA, but up to EUR 590m (+8.8% yoy) and EUR 70m (+14.0% yoy) respectively. In addition to the full pass-through of cost increases to customers, especially in the Specialty Chemicals segment, expectations also include a favourable contribution from capacity expansions regarding Creapure® and sodium sarcosinate, as well as positive effects from higher capacity utilisation in Basic & Intermediates. As a result, we expect Alzchem to report an EBITDA-margin increase of 140bps in FY 2023 despite the absence of positive one-off effects. Based on our revised estimates, we increase our PT to EUR 33 (based on a DCF calculation) and reiterate our Buy recommendation.

Changes in Estimates:														
FY End: 31.12. in EUR m	2023e (old)	+/-	2024e (old)	+/-	2025e (old)	+/-								
Sales	555.3	0.2 %	580.5	2.0 %	n.a.	n.m.								
EBIT	28.5	41.8 %	36.6	32.8 %	n.a.	n.m.								
EPS	1.63	58.2 %	2.21	44.3 %	n.a.	n.m.								
DPS	0.65	69.2 %	0.85	35.3 %	n.a.	n.m.								
Net Debt	174.0	-4.8 %	168.6	-8.2 %	n.a.	n.m.								

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Comment on Changes:

- · Changes in estimates reflect a better-than-expected performance in FY 2022, which bodes well for the coming periods.
- Alzchem's pricing power was higher than envisaged, especially in the very choppy market conditions in H2 2022. This should enable the company to recoup its FY 2022 EBITDA-margin decline from FY 2023 onwards.

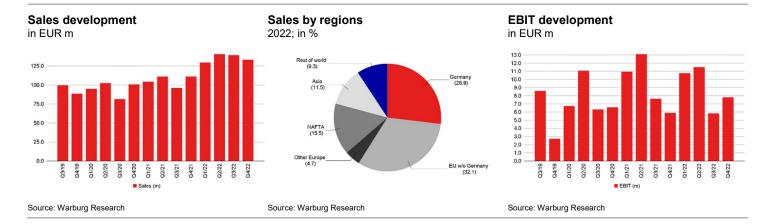


Rel. Performance vs CDAX:	
1 month:	5.0 %
6 months:	0.1 %
Year to date:	4.9 %
Trailing 12 months:	-16.3 %
Company events:	
04.05.23	Q1
11.05.23	AGM
03.08.23	Q2

FY End: 31.12.	CAGR							
in EUR m	(22-25e)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Sales	4.2 %	376.1	379.3	422.3	542.2	556.6	592.2	612.9
Change Sales yoy		0.2 %	0.8 %	11.3 %	28.4 %	2.7 %	6.4 %	3.5 %
Gross profit margin		60.8 %	64.4 %	62.0 %	50.8 %	50.7 %	50.8 %	50.7 %
EBITDA	9.1 %	50.1	53.8	62.0	61.4	68.2	76.9	79.9
Margin		13.3 %	14.2 %	14.7 %	11.3 %	12.3 %	13.0 %	13.0 %
EBIT	12.5 %	30.6	30.7	37.6	35.9	40.4	48.7	51.2
Margin		8.1 %	8.1 %	8.9 %	6.6 %	7.3 %	8.2 %	8.3 %
Net income	4.7 %	18.0	19.7	27.6	30.1	26.1	32.3	34.5
EPS	4.7 %	1.77	1.94	2.72	2.96	2.58	3.18	3.40
EPS adj.	4.7 %	1.77	1.94	2.72	2.96	2.58	3.18	3.40
DPS	6.0 %	0.75	0.77	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.15	1.25
Dividend Yield		3.5 %	3.9 %	4.1 %	5.3 %	5.8 %	6.1 %	6.2 %
FCFPS		0.23	1.95	1.43	-3.23	2.12	2.48	1.79
FCF / Market cap		1.1 %	9.9 %	5.9 %	-16.3 %	11.2 %	13.1 %	8.8 %
EV / Sales		1.1 x	1.0 x	1.0 x	0.7 x	0.6 x	0.6 x	0.6 x
EV / EBITDA		8.1 x	7.2 x	6.9 x	6.1 x	5.3 x	4.5 x	4.5 x
EV / EBIT		13.2 x	12.6 x	11.3 x	10.5 x	8.9 x	7.1 x	7.0 x
P/E		12.0 x	10.2 x	8.9 x	6.7 x	7.4 x	6.0 x	6.0 x
P / E adj.		12.0 x	10.2 x	8.9 x	6.7 x	7.4 x	6.0 x	6.0 x
FCF Potential Yield		6.4 %	7.9 %	9.1 %	11.6 %	12.0 %	14.1 %	14.2 %
Net Debt		188.3	185.4	179.8	174.8	165.7	154.8	150.0
ROCE (NOPAT)		9.2 %	8.9 %	10.9 %	8.9 %	9.0 %	10.5 %	10.6 %
Guidance:	FY 2023: EBI	TDA slightly g	rowing to up	to EUR 70m	1			

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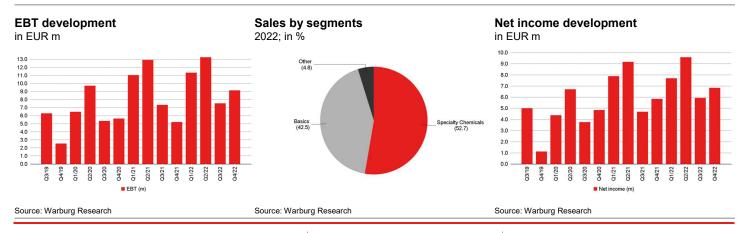


Company Background

- Alzchem goes back to the Bayerische Stickstoff-Werke GmbH (1908), which built a large calcium carbide and calcium cyanamide plant on the river Alz
- In 1939, Bayerische Kraftwerk AG and Donauwerke AG merged to form Süddeutsche Kalkstickstoffe AG, based in Trostberg. In 1978 company's name was changed to SKW Trostberg AG
- Merger of Degussa Hüls AG with Trostberg AG to form Degussa AG in 2000. Merger of the Alz locations Trostberg, Schalchen, Hart and Waldkraiburg into AlzChem Holding GmbH in 2006
- Takeover by bluO in 2009, conversion to Alzchem AG 2011. In 2019 the company heavily invested in the area of feed additives with the construction of a dedicated CreAMINO® production facility
- Alzchem is brought into the listed Alzchem Group AG (formerly Softmatic AG). Alzchem Group AG is the new parent company of the Alzchem Group. 2019 Commissioning of investment projects Creamino® and Nitrile

Competitive Quality

- Alzchem is a globally active, vertically integrated manufacturer of various chemical products of the calcium carbide/calcium cyanamide chain with a strategic focus on growth in the Specialty Chemicals business segment
- Alzchem's integrated manufacturing "Verbund" system enables efficiency gains in production. The company is the global leader or among the leading companies in its chosen fields of activity
- The company has four production facilities in Germany and one in Sweden that are complemented by two marketing companies in the US and in China allowing for global distribution of its products
- The company is benefiting from megatrends like sustainable energy production, population growth and increase in aging population. Its products offer attractive solutions that meet demand growth.
- Alzchem provides a highly diversified product portfolio ranging e.g. from dietary supplements, plant growth regulators to precursors for corona testing, thus addressing a wide range of customer industries





DCF model														
	Detaile	d forecas	t period	Transitional period										Term. Value
Figures in EUR m	2023e	2024e	2025e	2026e	2027e	2028e	2029e	2030e	2031e	2032e	2033e	2034e	2035e	
Sales	556.6	592.2	612.9	634.3	655.9	677.5	699.2	720.9	742.5	763.3	783.1	801.9	819.6	
Sales change	2.7 %	6.4 %	3.5 %	3.5 %	3.4 %	3.3 %	3.2 %	3.1 %	3.0 %	2.8 %	2.6 %	2.4 %	2.2 %	1.0 %
EBIT	40.4	48.7	51.2	53.4	56.5	57.7	58.9	60.7	62.5	64.3	66.7	68.3	69.8	
EBIT-margin	7.3 %	8.2 %	8.3 %	8.4 %	8.6 %	8.5 %	8.4 %	8.4 %	8.4 %	8.4 %	8.5 %	8.5 %	8.5 %	
Tax rate (EBT)	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	29.0 %	
NOPAT	29.1	35.0	36.8	37.9	40.1	41.0	41.8	43.1	44.4	45.6	47.4	48.5	49.6	
Depreciation	27.9	28.3	28.7	30.3	32.0	33.8	35.5	36.6	37.7	38.8	39.0	40.0	40.8	
in % of Sales	5.0 %	4.8 %	4.7 %	4.8 %	4.9 %	5.0 %	5.1 %	5.1 %	5.1 %	5.1 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	
Changes in provisions	1.2	2.9	1.6	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.8	
Change in Liquidity from														
 Working Capital 	2.7	6.5	3.7	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.0	4.7	4.4	
- Capex	29.9	30.8	31.8	33.0	33.5	33.9	35.0	36.0	37.1	38.2	39.2	40.1	41.0	
Capex in % of Sales	5.4 %	5.2 %	5.2 %	5.2 %	5.1 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	5.0 %	
- Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Free Cash Flow (WACC Model)	25.5	28.9	31.7	33.2	36.7	38.8	40.3	41.6	43.0	44.3	45.4	46.6	47.8	49
PV of FCF	24.0	24.9	25.2	24.3	24.6	24.0	22.9	21.8	20.6	19.6	18.4	17.4	16.4	219
share of PVs		14.74 %						41.78	3 %					43.48 %

Model parameter				Valuation (m)			
Derivation of WACC:		Derivation of Beta:		Present values 2035e	284		
				Terminal Value	219		
Debt ratio	35.40 %	Financial Strength	1.50	Financial liabilities	91		
Cost of debt (after tax)	3.6 %	Liquidity (share)	2.00	Pension liabilities	91		
Market return	8.25 %	Cyclicality	1.50	Hybrid capital	0		
Risk free rate	2.75 %	Transparency	2.00	Minority interest	2		
		Others	1.00	Market val. of investments	0		
				Liquidity	16	No. of shares (m)	10.1
WACC	8.74 %	Beta	1.60	Equity Value	335	Value per share (EUR)	33.05

Selis	Sensitivity value per Share (EUR)																
		Terminal (Growth						Delta EBIT-margin								
Beta	WACC	0.25 %	0.50 %	0.75 %	1.00 %	1.25 %	1.50 %	1.75 %	Beta	WACC	-0.8 pp	-0.5 pp	-0.3 pp	+0.0 pp	+0.3 pp	+0.5 pp	+0.8 pp
1.88	9.7 %	25.59	26.01	26.46	26.93	27.43	27.96	28.53	1.88	9.7 %	22.81	24.18	25.56	26.93	28.31	29.68	31.06
1.74	9.2 %	28.21	28.71	29.24	29.80	30.40	31.04	31.72	1.74	9.2 %	25.42	26.88	28.34	29.80	31.27	32.73	34.19
1.67	9.0 %	29.64	30.18	30.76	31.38	32.03	32.73	33.48	1.67	9.0 %	26.85	28.36	29.87	31.38	32.89	34.40	35.91
1.60	8.7 %	31.15	31.75	32.38	33.05	33.77	34.54	35.37	1.60	8.7 %	28.37	29.93	31.49	33.05	34.62	36.18	37.74
1.53	8.5 %	32.76	33.41	34.11	34.85	35.64	36.49	37.40	1.53	8.5 %	30.00	31.62	33.23	34.85	36.46	38.08	39.69
1.46	8.2 %	34.47	35.19	35.95	36.77	37.64	38.58	39.59	1.46	8.2 %	31.75	33.42	35.09	36.77	38.44	40.11	41.79
1.32	7.7 %	38.25	39.12	40.05	41.04	42.12	43.28	44.53	1.32	7.7 %	35.64	37.44	39.24	41.04	42.84	44.65	46.45

- The beta value Beta value reflects the limited liquidity of the share (Free float 47.5%),
- In addition, transparency is reduced for structural reasons as Alzchem is positioned as a B2B company



Free Cash Flow Value Potential

Warburg Research's valuation tool "FCF Value Potential" reflects the ability of the company to generate sustainable free cash flows. It is based on the "FCF potential" - a FCF "ex growth" figure - which assumes unchanged working capital and pure maintenance capex. A value indication is derived via the perpetuity of a given year's "FCF potential" with consideration of the weighted costs of capital. The fluctuating value indications over time add a timing element to the DCF model (our preferred valuation tool).

in EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Net Income before minorities	18.1	19.9	27.8	30.2	26.3	32.4	34.6
+ Depreciation + Amortisation	19.5	23.1	24.5	25.5	27.9	28.3	28.7
- Net Interest Income	-2 .6	-2.1	-1.5	-2.5	-3.9	-3.7	-3.1
- Maintenance Capex	14.5	14.7	14.8	14.8	15.0	15.4	15.9
+ Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
= Free Cash Flow Potential	25.8	30.4	38.9	43.4	43.1	48.9	50.6
FCF Potential Yield (on market EV)	6.4 %	7.9 %	9.1 %	11.6 %	12.0 %	14.1 %	14.2 %
WACC	8.74 %	8.74 %	8.74 %	8.74 %	8.74 %	8.74 %	8.74 %
= Enterprise Value (EV)	404.4	387.2	425.3	375.2	358.3	347.3	355.7
= Fair Enterprise Value	295.0	347.9	445.1	496.9	493.2	560.2	578.9
- Net Debt (Cash)	84.7	84.7	84.7	84.7	74.4	60.5	54.1
- Pension Liabilities	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	91.3	94.3	95.9
- Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
 Market value of minorities 	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
+ Market value of investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
= Fair Market Capitalisation	120.2	173.1	270.3	322.1	327.4	405.4	428.9
Number of shares, average	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1
= Fair value per share (EUR)	11.81	17.01	26.67	31.78	32.30	40.00	42.32
premium (-) / discount (+) in %					70.0 %	110.5 %	108.5 %
Sensitivity Fair value per Share (EU	IR)						
11.	74 % 4.42	8.30	15.45	19.25	19.87	25.87	27.72
10.	74 % 6.44	10.68	18.49	22.65	23.24	29.71	31.68
9.	74 % 8.87	13.55	22.16	26.74	27.31	34.32	36.45
	74 % 11.81	17.01	26.67	31.78	32.30	40.00	42.32
	74 % 15.62	21.52	32.35	38.12	38.59	47.15	49.70
	74 % 20.50	27.27	39.71	46.34	46.75	56.41	59.27
5.	74 % 27.09	35.03	49.64	57.42	57.75	68.91	72.19

[•] Historical volatility of the value indication is due to cyclical operative development



Sum of the parts										
	Sal	es	EBITI	DA*	EBITDA-Margin		in EBITDA (x)		Fair value (calc.)	
€m	2023e	2024e	2023e	2024e	2023e	2024e	2023e	2024e	2023e	2024e
Specialty Chemicals	307.73	340.86	60.14	68.17	0.20	0.20	8.54	7.86	513.48	535.74
Basics & Intermediates	222.29	224.51	6.11	6.74	0.20	0.20	5.46	6.21	33.38	41.86
Other & Holding	26.59	26.85	1.99	2.01	0.07	0.07	5.82	5.49	11.60	11.05
Consolidation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	n.m.	n.m.	6.61	6.52	0.00	0.00
Total	556.61	592.23	68.24	76.92	11.9%	12.6%			558.46	588.65
- Net debt**									-74.40	-60.49
- Pension liabilities**									-91.34	-94.26
- Minorities***									-2.37	-4.00
+ Financial investments***									0.49	0.49
Fair equity value									484.55	528.64
Fair value/share (€)									38.56	42.46
Average fair value/share (€)										40.51

^{*} w/o extraordinary items

^{**} At book value

^{***} At market value

Specialty chemicals segment peers: Covestro, Huntsman, Ube Industries, PetroChina Company and Kumho Petrochemical
 Basics & Intermediates segment peers: BASF, DuPont de Nemours, Clariant, Evonik, Lanxess,

International Flavours and Fragrances (IFF)

Other & Holding segment peer: Evonik



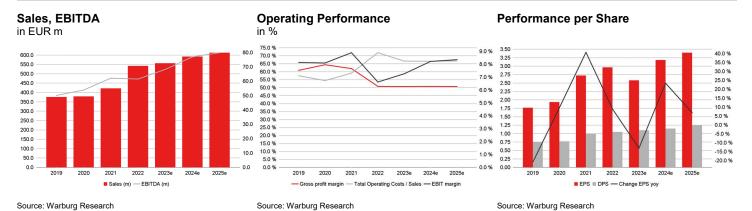
Valuation							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Price / Book	3.6 x	3.0 x	2.8 x	1.4 x	1.2 x	1.1 x	1.0 x
Book value per share ex intangibles	5.72	6.40	8.42	13.92	15.48	17.58	19.86
EV / Sales	1.1 x	1.0 x	1.0 x	0.7 x	0.6 x	0.6 x	0.6 x
EV / EBITDA	8.1 x	7.2 x	6.9 x	6.1 x	5.3 x	4.5 x	4.5 x
EV / EBIT	13.2 x	12.6 x	11.3 x	10.5 x	8.9 x	7.1 x	7.0 x
EV / EBIT adj.*	13.2 x	12.6 x	11.3 x	10.5 x	8.9 x	7.1 x	7.0 x
P/FCF	93.8 x	10.1 x	16.9 x	n.a.	9.0 x	7.7 x	11.3 x
P/E	12.0 x	10.2 x	8.9 x	6.7 x	7.4 x	6.0 x	6.0 x
P / E adj.*	12.0 x	10.2 x	8.9 x	6.7 x	7.4 x	6.0 x	6.0 x
Dividend Yield	3.5 %	3.9 %	4.1 %	5.3 %	5.8 %	6.1 %	6.2 %
FCF Potential Yield (on market EV)	6.4 %	7.9 %	9.1 %	11.6 %	12.0 %	14.1 %	14.2 %
*Adjustments made for: Restructuring costs, value adjust	tments, one-off earnings/lo	sses					



Consolidated profit & loss							
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Increase / decrease in inventory	-4.9	-2.5	10.0	22.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Own work capitalised	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
Total Sales	371.2	376.7	432.3	564.4	556.6	592.2	612.
Material expenses	142.4	132.5	170.7	288.9	274.2	291.5	302.4
Gross profit	228.8	244.2	261.7	275.5	282.4	300.8	310.
Gross profit margin	60.8 %	64.4 %	62.0 %	50.8 %	50.7 %	50.8 %	50.7 %
Personnel expenses	122.1	127.4	132.2	137.1	141.2	146.3	150.4
Other operating income	17.1	10.7	11.4	24.2	23.8	25.4	26.3
Other operating expenses	73.8	73.7	78.8	101.1	96.7	102.9	106.
Unfrequent items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBITDA	50.1	53.8	62.0	61.4	68.2	76.9	79.9
Margin	13.3 %	14.2 %	14.7 %	11.3 %	12.3 %	13.0 %	13.0 %
Depreciation of fixed assets	19.5	23.1	24.5	25.5	27.9	28.3	28.
EBITA	30.6	30.7	37.6	35.9	40.4	48.7	51.2
Amortisation of intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Goodwill amortisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	30.6	30.7	37.6	35.9	40.4	48.7	51.2
Margin	8.1 %	8.1 %	8.9 %	6.6 %	7.3 %	8.2 %	8.3 %
EBIT adj.	30.6	30.7	37.6	35.9	40.4	48.7	51.2
Interest income	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.
Interest expenses	2.7	2.1	1.5	2.5	3.9	3.8	3.2
Other financial income (loss)	-2.5	-1.4	0.4	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBT	25.5	27.2	36.5	41.3	36.5	45.0	48.
Margin	6.8 %	7.2 %	8.6 %	7.6 %	6.6 %	7.6 %	7.8 %
Total taxes	7.3	7.3	8.7	11.1	10.2	12.6	13.
Net income from continuing operations	18.1	19.9	27.8	30.2	26.3	32.4	34.0
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income before minorities	18.1	19.9	27.8	30.2	26.3	32.4	34.0
Minority interest	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Net income	18.0	19.7	27.6	30.1	26.1	32.3	34.
Margin	4.8 %	5.2 %	6.5 %	5.5 %	4.7 %	5.4 %	5.6 %
Number of shares, average	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.
EPS	1.77	1.94	2.72	2.96	2.58	3.18	3.4
EPS adj.	1.77	1.94	2.72	2.96	2.58	3.18	3.4
*Adjustments made for: Restructuring costs, value adjustn	nente one off cor						

Guidance: FY 2023: EBITDA slightly growing to up to EUR 70m

Financial Ratios								
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e	
Total Operating Costs / Sales	57.5 %	54.4 %	59.1 %	71.9 %	66.6 %	66.6 %	66.7 %	
Operating Leverage	-46.3 x	0.5 x	2.0 x	-0.2 x	4.7 x	3.2 x	1.5 x	
EBITDA / Interest expenses	18.3 x	25.1 x	41.6 x	24.4 x	17.4 x	20.4 x	24.7 x	
Tax rate (EBT)	28.8 %	27.0 %	24.0 %	26.8 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	28.0 %	
Dividend Payout Ratio	42.1 %	39.4 %	36.5 %	35.2 %	42.4 %	36.0 %	36.6 %	
Sales per Employee	219,834	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	



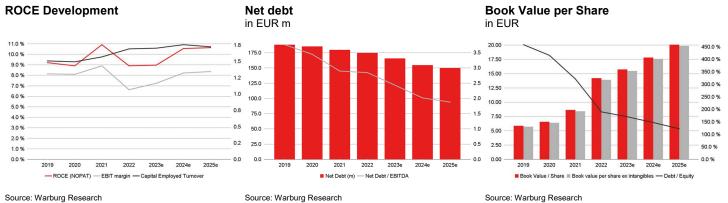
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Consolidated balance sheet							
In EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025
Assets							
Goodwill and other intangible assets	1.5	1.8	2.3	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.2
thereof other intangible assets	1.5	1.8	2.3	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.2
thereof Goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Property, plant and equipment	175.5	183.6	186.5	187.8	190.1	193.0	196.3
Financial assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Other long-term assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fixed assets	177.0	185.4	188.8	191.2	193.3	195.9	198.9
Inventories	74.6	67.4	86.7	122.4	124.6	129.9	132.9
Accounts receivable	32.5	33.1	40.8	55.7	57.2	60.8	63.0
Liquid assets	9.1	17.1	8.3	9.2	16.2	16.9	13.2
Other short-term assets	49.4	51.3	53.0	44.8	45.6	47.5	48.6
Current assets	165.6	168.9	188.8	232.1	243.5	255.2	257.7
Total Assets	342.6	354.3	377.7	423.3	436.8	451.0	456.6
Liabilities and shareholders' equity							
Subscribed capital	101.8	101.8	101.8	101.8	101.8	101.8	101.8
Capital reserve	-5.0	-4.2	-1.7	5.1	6.9	9.5	12.2
Retained earnings	-30.7	-25.5	-10.3	30.8	42.2	57.6	74.2
Other equity components	-6.3	-5.2	-2.1	6.3	8.7	11.8	15.2
Shareholders' equity	59.8	66.9	87.6	144.0	159.5	180.6	203.4
Minority interest	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2
Total equity	61.4	68.7	89.6	145.9	161.5	182.7	205.6
Provisions	158.8	168.9	167.3	109.1	110.6	114.4	116.5
thereof provisions for pensions and similar obligations	134.6	141.8	140.0	90.1	91.3	94.3	95.9
Financial liabilities (total)	62.7	60.7	48.0	93.9	90.6	77.4	67.2
Short-term financial liabilities	11.9	12.7	10.5	66.4	62.6	48.3	37.4
Accounts payable	24.1	20.9	32.8	37.4	38.4	40.8	42.3
Other liabilities	35.7	35.1	39.9	36.5	35.7	35.7	25.0
Liabilities	281.2	285.6	288.1	276.9	275.2	268.3	251.0
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	342.6	354.3	377.7	422.9	436.8	451.0	456.6

Financial Ratios							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Efficiency of Capital Employment							
Operating Assets Turnover	1.5 x	1.4 x	1.5 x	1.7 x	1.7 x	1.7 x	1.8 x
Capital Employed Turnover	1.5 x	1.5 x	1.6 x	1.7 x	1.7 x	1.8 x	1.7 x
ROA	10.2 %	10.6 %	14.6 %	15.7 %	13.5 %	16.5 %	17.3 %
Return on Capital							
ROCE (NOPAT)	9.2 %	8.9 %	10.9 %	8.9 %	9.0 %	10.5 %	10.6 %
ROE	28.4 %	31.1 %	35.7 %	25.9 %	17.2 %	19.0 %	17.9 %
Adj. ROE	28.4 %	31.1 %	35.7 %	25.9 %	17.2 %	19.0 %	17.9 %
Balance sheet quality							
Net Debt	188.3	185.4	179.8	174.8	165.7	154.8	150.0
Net Financial Debt	53.6	43.6	39.8	84.7	74.4	60.5	54.1
Net Gearing	306.8 %	270.0 %	200.7 %	119.8 %	102.6 %	84.7 %	72.9 %
Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA	107.1 %	81.1 %	64.1 %	137.8 %	109.0 %	78.6 %	67.7 %
Book Value / Share	5.9	6.6	8.6	14.2	15.7	17.8	20.1
Book value per share ex intangibles	5.7	6.4	8.4	13.9	15.5	17.6	19.9

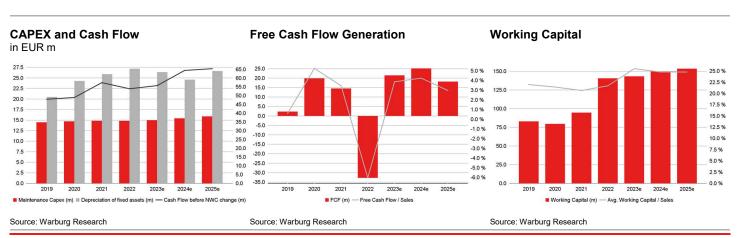


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Consolidated cash flow statement							
In EUR m	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Net income	18.1	19.9	27.8	30.2	26.3	32.4	34.6
Depreciation of fixed assets	20.5	24.3	25.9	27.2	26.4	24.6	26.6
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	-1.0	-1.2	-1.4	-1.7	1.5	3.7	2.1
Increase/decrease in long-term provisions	-1.0	-1.2	-1.4	-1.7	1.5	3.7	2.1
Other non-cash income and expenses	11.4	7.2	6.6	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash Flow before NWC change	48.0	49.0	57.4	54.0	55.7	64.3	65.4
Increase / decrease in inventory	2.4	5.3	-16.5	-37.9	-2.2	-5.3	-3.0
Increase / decrease in accounts receivable	-7.1	-5.8	1.8	-19.9	-2.3	-5.6	-3.2
Increase / decrease in accounts payable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Increase / decrease in other working capital positions	0.3	0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.1	2.5	- 9.2
Increase / decrease in working capital (total)	-4.4	-0.3	-14.4	-58.2	-4.3	-8.4	-15.4
Net cash provided by operating activities [1]	43.6	48.7	43.0	-4.2	51.4	56.0	49.9
Investments in intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investments in property, plant and equipment	-41.4	-28.8	-28.5	-29.1	-29.9	-30.8	-31.8
Payments for acquisitions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Income from asset disposals	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net cash provided by investing activities [2]	-41.3	-28.8	-28.5	-28.5	-29.9	-30.8	-31.8
Change in financial liabilities	4.8	-1.9	-12.7	45.9	-3.3	-13.1	-10.2
Dividends paid	-9.3	-7.8	-8.0	-10.3	-10.7	-11.2	-11.7
Purchase of own shares	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital measures	0.0	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	-1.6	-2.0	-1.9	-1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net cash provided by financing activities [3]	-6.2	-11.7	-23.6	33.6	-14.1	-24.4	-21.9
Change in liquid funds [1]+[2]+[3]	-3.9	8.2	-9.3	0.8	7.4	0.8	-3.8
Effects of exchange-rate changes on cash	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash and cash equivalent at end of period	9.1	17.1	8.3	9.2	16.2	16.9	13.2

Financial Ratios							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Cash Flow							
FCF	2.3	19.9	14.5	-32.8	21.5	25.1	18.2
Free Cash Flow / Sales	0.6 %	5.2 %	3.4 %	-6.0 %	3.9 %	4.2 %	3.0 %
Free Cash Flow Potential	25.8	30.4	38.9	43.4	43.1	48.9	50.6
Free Cash Flow / Net Profit	12.8 %	100.9 %	52.7 %	-109.0 %	82.2 %	78.0 %	52.8 %
Interest Received / Avg. Cash	1.1 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.5 %	0.4 %	0.6 %	0.7 %
Interest Paid / Avg. Debt	4.5 %	3.5 %	2.7 %	3.5 %	4.2 %	4.5 %	4.5 %
Management of Funds							
Investment ratio	11.0 %	7.6 %	6.8 %	5.4 %	5.4 %	5.2 %	5.2 %
Maint. Capex / Sales	3.9 %	3.9 %	3.5 %	2.7 %	2.7 %	2.6 %	2.6 %
Capex / Dep	212.3 %	124.8 %	116.6 %	113.8 %	107.4 %	109.2 %	110.7 %
Avg. Working Capital / Sales	22.0 %	21.4 %	20.6 %	21.7 %	25.5 %	24.8 %	24.8 %
Trade Debtors / Trade Creditors	135.0 %	158.6 %	124.6 %	149.0 %	149.0 %	149.0 %	149.0 %
Inventory Turnover	1.9 x	2.0 x	2.0 x	2.4 x	2.2 x	2.2 x	2.3 x
Receivables collection period (days)	32	32	35	38	38	38	38
Payables payment period (days)	62	58	70	47	51	51	51
Cash conversion cycle (Days)	161	160	151	145	152	149	147





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Rating suspended	3	1
Total	215	100

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