

Introduction



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- Challenging macroeconomic backdrop in 2023....
- Delivered organic growth in IP-linked Businesses...
- Biopharm destocking continued throughout 2023...
- Early action taken to preserve margin...
- Preserved revenue investment to deliver future growth...
- Fundamentals of our Businesses remain strong...

...forecast to improve in 2024

...outperforming global IP

...return to growth in H2 2024

...further improvement in 2024

...building strong foundations

...supports further growth

Organic growth (excl. Biopharm)

Margin lower but still above 20%

Cash conversion over 80%

Dividend growth for 56th year



2023 financial review



Phil Scott

Interim Chief Financial Officer

2023 Group Financial performance

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In line with expectations set out in November Trading Update

31 December (£m)				
	2023	2022	Reported	Organic ⁺
Revenue	1,682.6	1,610.6	+4%	-1%
Operating profit*	349.1	380.2	-8%	-12%
Operating profit margin*	20.7%	23.6%	-290bps	-270bps
Net finance expense*	(39.9)	(9.6)		
Pre-tax profit*	309.2	370.6	-17%	
Tax rate*	25.5%	25.0%	50bps	
EPS*	312.4p	377.2p	-17%	
DPS	160.0p	152.0p	+5%	

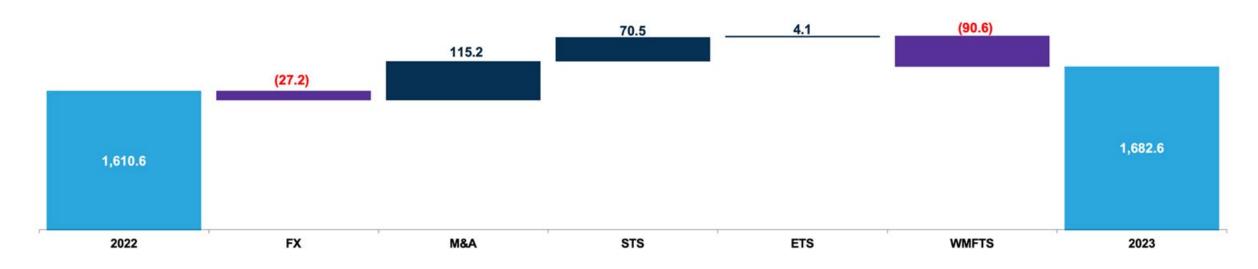
⁺ Organic measures are at constant currency and exclude contributions from acquisitions and disposals.



^{*} See Appendix II for definition of adjusted profit measures.

2023 Sales bridge

Organic growth in STS and ETS offset by Biopharm decline in WMFTS

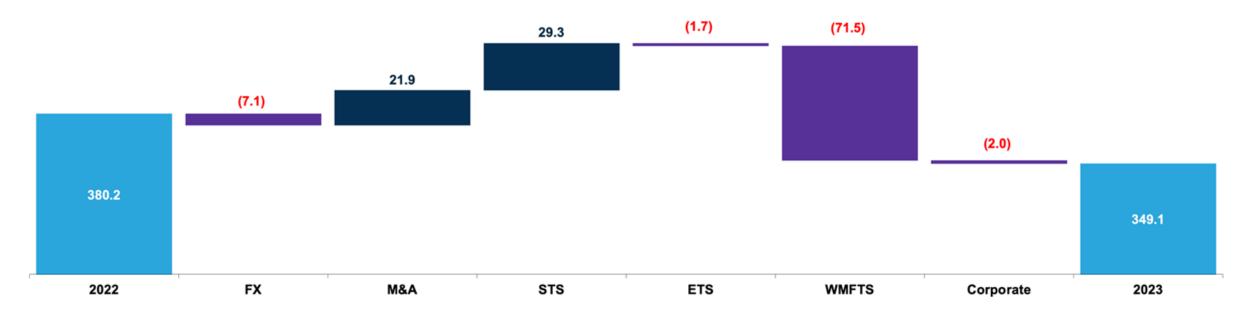


2023		Actual (£m)		Organic growth (y-o-y)		
	H1	H2	FY	H1	H2	FY
STS	459.8	450.3	910.1	+15.0%	+2.4%	+8.4%
ETS	192.5	186.0	378.5	+6.5%	-2.0%	+1.6%
WMFTS	198.5	195.5	394.0	-20.5%	-16.8%	-18.7%
Group	850.8	831.8	1,682.6	+2.1%	-3.9%	-1.0%



2023 Profit bridge

Sequential growth in H2 reflects benefit of H1 restructuring and cost actions



2023		Actual (£m)		Organic growth (y-o-y)		
	H1	H2	FY	H1	H2	FY
STS	112.2	111.8	224.0	+24.9%	+6.6%	+15.0%
ETS	26.9	32.3	59.2	-5.3%	-3.9%	-4.4%
WMFTS	48.9	44.8	93.7	-46.7%	-39.0%	-43.3%
Corporate	(16.3)	(11.5)	(27.8)	+24.4%	-9.4%	+7.8%
Group	171.7	177.4	349.1	-13.4%	-11.2%	-12.3%



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2023 Operating margin

Margin in H2 higher than H1 despite lower sales

£m	H1	H2	2023	H1	H2	2022
STS	24.4%	24.8%	24.6%	23.0%	24.5%	23.8%
ETS	14.0%	17.4%	15.6%	12.2%	17.9%	15.6%
WMFTS	24.6%	22.9%	23.8%	35.5%	30.0%	32.8%
Group	20.2%	21.3%	20.7%	23.8%	23.4%	23.6%



Exchange rates

Material exchange rate headwind in 2024





Strong cash conversion from lower working capital outflow and capex phasing

- Cash conversion of 81%, ahead of guidance
- Lower than planned capital expenditure due to phasing on large capital projects
- Interest expense increased in line with higher full year average net debt
- 2024 cash conversion expected to be 75% with ratio of capital expenditure to sales of 7%
- ROCE 38.1% & ROIC 13.5%

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31 December (£m)	2023	2022
Adjusted operating profit	349.1	380.2
Capital expenditure (net)	(102.8)	(113.5)
Working capital changes	(9.3)	(91.9)
Depreciation, amortisation, repayment of lease liabilities, other	44.7	40.1
Adjusted cash from operations	281.7	214.9
Cash conversion	81%	57%
Net interest	(37.7)	(8.8)
Income taxes paid	(90.7)	(90.0)
Free cash flow	153.3	116.1
Net dividends paid	(114.9)	(103.6)
Purchase of EBT shares and issue of share capital	(10.8)	(19.0)
Restructuring costs	(8.1)	(3.2)
Acquisitions of subsidiaries	(7.7)	(538.3)
Cash flow for the year	11.8	(548.0)
Exchange movements	11.9	(11.9)
Net debt at 31 December (excluding lease liabilities)	(666.7)	(690.4)
Net debt to EBITDA	1.7x	1.7x



Operations and outlook

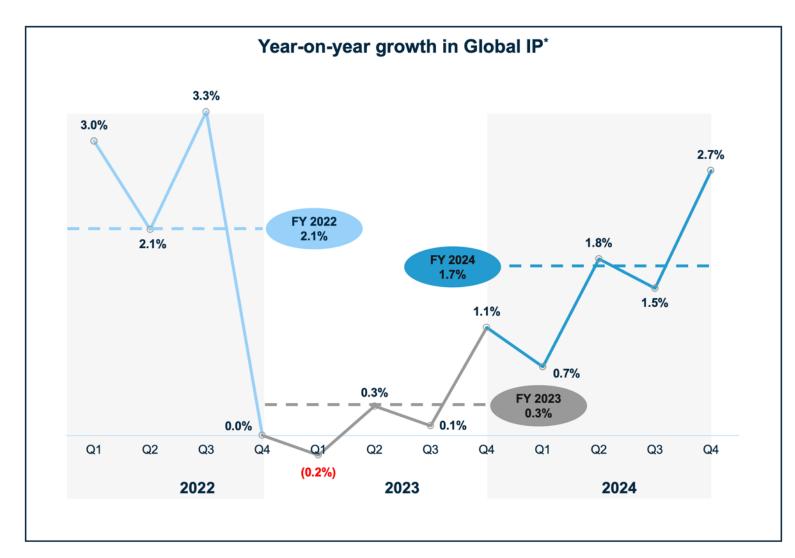


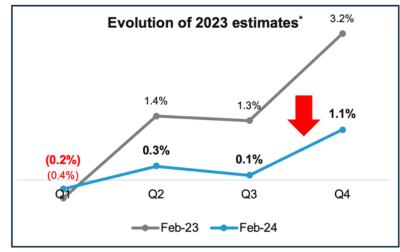
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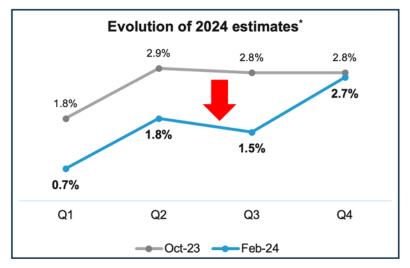


Global Industrial Production growth (IP)

Estimates have continued to be revised downwards









Steam Thermal Solutions

Operational progress in 2023

- Revenue growth significantly ahead of IP
- Record margin
- China outlook weakening
- Phasing of large project orders
- Increased digital connections
- Proving TargetZero

2024 priorities and guidance

- Continuing investment in growth
- Growing addressable market
- Mid-single-digit organic sales growth
- FX and cost containment reversal impacting margin

Strong medium-term fundamentals

- Proven capability to outperform IP through self-generated sales
- Resilience from defensive sector exposure and high proportion of demand from MRO
- Solution selling and value-based pricing drives attractive margins



Electric Thermal Solutions

Operational progress in 2023

- Strong demand growth in industrial process heating solutions
- Semicon demand weak impacting industrial equipment heating solutions
- Ogden expansion underway
- Investment in Kyoto
- Integration of recent acquisitions on track

2024 priorities and guidance

- Ongoing onboarding
- Chromalox operational improvements
- High-single-digit organic sales growth
- Margin progress partially offset by onboarding costs and pre-production costs of Ogden

Strong medium-term fundamentals

- Recovery in high margin Semicon demand
- Growing demand for decarbonisation solutions
- Increased production capacity
- Deployment of Spirax Group business model in acquisitions
- On track to deliver margin improvement to >20% in medium term



Watson-Marlow Fluid Technology Solutions

Operational progress in 2023

- Challenging backdrop for Biopharm
- Process Industries impacted by IP
- Right-sizing and cost control benefits in H2
- Progressing digital innovation

2024 priorities and guidance

- Cost base and capacity well positioned
- Anticipate growth in Biopharm demand
- High-single digit organic sales growth
- Strong margin improvement after absorbing reversal of 2023 cost containment and variable compensation

Strong medium-term fundamentals

- Ongoing recovery in Biopharm demand post-destocking
- Underlying Biopharm market growing at over 10%
- Process Industries offers opportunity to drive secular growth above IP
- Remains a high margin Business



Environmental and social progress

Key strategic targets:

- Net zero (scope 1 and 2) GHG emissions by 2030, with an interim target of 50% reduction by 2025 (vs. 2019 baseline)
- 20% reduction in Group energy use from plant, equipment and building assets by 2025 (vs. 2019 baseline)

Progress in 2023*

Scope 1&2 emissions 6% lower

(45% lower than 2019 baseline)

Energy use 8% lower

(14% lower than 2019 baseline)

Water consumption 20% lower

(12% lower than 2019 baseline)

135 Biodiversity projects completed

(2022: 78)

Gender balanced Executive team

(44% female in 2024)



^{*} Excluding acquisitions

Summary and Outlook

2023 Summary

- Organic revenue growth* in STS and ETS
- Early cost actions mitigated margin impact
- Continued investment in business model
- Well placed to return to growth in 2024
- Dividend maintains 56-year record

2024 Group guidance

- Mid to high-single-digit organic sales growth
- Low-double-digit organic growth in adjusted operated profit
- Modest margin expansion
- Cash conversion ~75%





Strategic priorities – initial thoughts

Enhance

- Well positioned for strong organic growth
- Built on strong fundamentals
- Supported by strong execution
- Sustaining attractive margins

Build

Long-term growth in all three Businesses:

- Decarbonisation and sustainability
- Digitally enhancing our customer proposition
- Addressable market expansion through innovation
- Platforms: systems and processes



A differentiated investment case

Critical products supporting customers' critical processes

Leading player in fragmented niche markets

Sales funded from

Opex budgets with

low average invoice

size

Unique direct sales model and strong customer insight

Resilience driven by

geographic, sector

and customer

diversity

Self-generated growth with pricing based on customer economics

Growing addressable market **Strong Financial Track Record**

Organic growth > 2x IP

Attractive, stable margins

Strong cash generation

Earnings and dividend growth

Delivering long-term compounding growth with attractive margins



Appendix Additional financial information



Appendix I Exchange rates

Average exchange rates	Average Full year 2023	Average Full year 2022	Change
US dollar	1.24	1.24	(0.2)%
Euro	1.15	1.17	2.0%
Renminbi	8.80	8.32	(5.8)%
Won	1,626	1,587	(2.4)%
Brazilian real	6.22	6.41	3.2%
Argentine peso	383	162	(136.0)%



Appendix II

Reconciliation of Operating profit to Adjusted operating profit

The Group uses adjusted figures as key performance measures in addition to those reported under IFRS. The Group's management believes these measures provide valuable additional information for users of the financial statements in understanding the Group's performance. Adjusted operating profit and pre-tax profit excludes certain items, which are analysed below.

(£ million)	2023	2022
Operating profit as reported under IFRS	284.4	318.8
Amortisation of acquisition-related intangible assets	37.2	23.7
Reversal of acquisition-related fair value adjustments to inventory	1.3	1.8
Restructuring costs	5.2	15.5
Acquisition-related items	5.7	9.1
Software related impairment	13.9	-
Fixed asset related impairment	1.8	-
Accelerated depreciation and other related costs on one-off property redevelopments	-	4.2
Disposal of Businesses	(0.4)	7.1
Total adjustment to operating profit	64.7	61.4
Adjusted operating profit	349.1	380.2



Appendix IIIAdditional guidance (for modelling purposes)

	2023 Actual	2024 Guidance
Group Revenue	£1,683m	Mid to high-single-digit organic growth
Exchange rate impact	Revenue: 2% adverse Adjusted Operating Profit: 2% adverse	Revenue: 3% adverse Adjusted Operating Profit: 5% adverse
Corporate costs	£28m	£30m - £35m
Group Adjusted operating profit	£349m	Low double-digit organic growth
Capex (as a percentage of sales)	6%	c. 7%
Effective Tax Rate	25.5%	26.5%
Net Finance Cost	£39.9m	c. £45m
Number of shares in issue (million)	73.6	73.7

