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UCB Full Year Report 2015:

UCB with progress on its growth path delivering value to patients and shareholders

- Product growth drive top and bottom line growth – supported by exchange rates
- Kremers Urban divestiture increases financial and strategic flexibility
- R&D update: Briviact® (*brivaracetam*) for epilepsy approved in EU and U.S.; first Phase 3 study FRAME with *romosozumab* reports positive topline results; early pipeline strengthened
- Financial outlook 2016: Revenue expected at approximately € 4.0-4.1 billion, recurring EBITDA of € 970–1 010 million, Core EPS in the range of € 2.90-3.20.

"The continued growth of UCB's main products in 2015 delivered strong earnings. Our patient value strategy aims to deliver superior value to patients. This will enable us to deliver significant growth to our shareholders," said Jean-Christophe Tellier, CEO UCB. "Going forward we continue to grow our product portfolio, we launch Briviact® and prepare the launch of romosozumab. At the same time, we continue to invest into our promising pipeline to deliver future breakthrough solutions for patients."

Revenue and net sales increased driven by product growth: Cimzia®, Vimpat®, Neupro® and Keppra® combined reached net sales of € 2.76 billion (+29%) - representing now 77% of net sales.

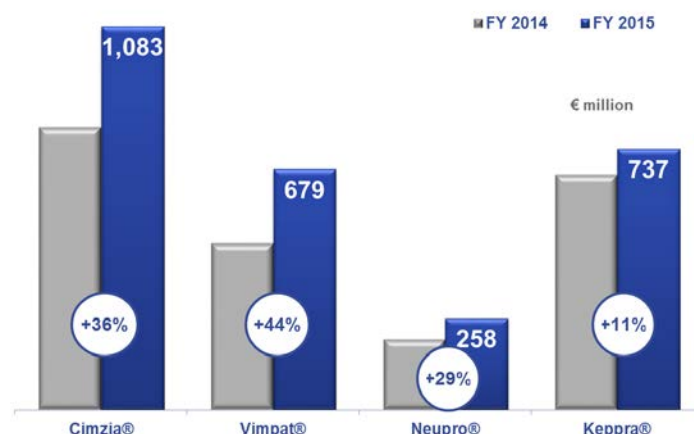
35% higher **underlying profitability (recurring EBITDA²)** reflecting higher revenue and a lower operating expenses ratio.

Profit for the Group amounted to € 674 million, after € 199 million in 2014, of which € 623 million (after € 209 million) is attributable to UCB shareholders, and includes the gain on the divestiture of Kremers Urban.

UCB Financial Results 2015:

€ million	2015	2014	Actual	CER ¹
Revenue	3.88bn	3.34bn	16%	9%
Net sales	3.51bn	2.94bn	20%	12%
rEBITDA ²	821m	609m	35%	18%
Core EPS ³	2.17	1.69	28%	9%
Dividend per share	1.10	1.06	4%	

The UCB Board of Directors proposes a gross dividend of € 1.10 per share, +4%.



¹ CER = constant exchange rates

² rEBITDA = recurring Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization

³ Core EPS = Core Earnings Per Share

R&D update

Bone - in February 2016, UCB and Amgen announced positive top-line results from the Phase 3 placebo-controlled study in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis (FRAME). FRAME met all co-primary endpoints by reducing the incidence of new vertebral fractures through months 12 and 24 in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis treated with romosozumab.

The study also met the secondary endpoint of reducing the incidence of clinical fractures (composite of vertebral and non-vertebral fractures) in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis through 12 months. The secondary endpoint of reducing the incidence of non-vertebral fractures through months 12 and 24 was not met.

ARCH, a Phase 3 study which includes an active comparator is expected to report results in 2017. BRIDGE, a Phase 3 study evaluating *romosozumab* in male osteoporosis is expected to report headline results in H1 2016.

Immunology - in September, UCB initiated a Phase 3 study for the U.S. to assess the efficacy and safety of **Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol)** in the treatment of adults with active non-radiographic axial spondyloarthritis (nr-axSpA). First headline results are expected in 2018.

In 2015, **Cimzia®** was approved for the treatment of severe, active and progressive rheumatoid arthritis in adults not previously treated with methotrexate or other disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drugs, both in Japan (May 2015) and in Europe (December 2015) based on the results of two Phase 3 clinical trials, C-OPERA™ and C-EARLY™ (52 weeks). By demonstrating that Cimzia® provides significant clinical benefit and inhibition of progression of radiographic damage, both studies support the concept of an

early window of opportunity for treatment in these patients.

The C-EARLY™ trial continued from week 52 to 104 and evaluated treatment strategies to sustain a low disease activity state, without a flare, when Cimzia® dosing is maintained, reduced or stopped. A lower number of patients than expected qualified for entry to the second period resulting in outcomes that were clinically meaningful but did not reach statistical significance. Patients who stopped Cimzia® had a tendency to worsen over time. Results have been submitted for presentation at a scientific congress in 2016.

In October, the learn phase exploratory development study with **bimekizumab (UCB4940)** in patients with psoriatic arthritis yielded positive topline results, supporting UCB's hypothesis that targeting both ligands, IL-17A and IL-17F translates into potentially improved clinical patient benefit. UCB is now preparing the Phase 2b program in various indications, planned to start in H2 2016.

In October, **UCB6673** for immunotherapy in collaboration with the King's College London entered into Phase 1.

Neurology - in October, the Phase 3 study to evaluate **Vimpat® (lacosamide)** as monotherapy in the treatment of adults with partial-onset seizures generated positive results. Filing with the European authorities took place in January 2016.

Briviact® (brivaracetam) as adjunctive therapy for partial-onset seizures in patients from 16 years of age was filed in January 2015 with the U.S. and EU regulatory authorities. Briviact® was approved in the EU in January 2016 and in the U.S. in February 2016.

All other clinical development programs are continuing as planned.



Net sales

€ million	FY 2015	FY 2014	Actual	CER ¹
U.S.	713	489	46%	22%
Europe	296	232	27%	25%
Japan	10	29	-66%	-68%
International markets	64	46	40%	42%
Total Cimzia®	1 083	797	36%	21%

Cimzia® (*certolizumab pegol*) net sales of nearly € 1.1 billion are driven by continuously broadened access to patients living with inflammatory TNF mediated diseases. Net sales in Japan reflect the order pattern of UCB's partner which is normalizing going forward; the in-market performance shows continued growth trend.

€ million	FY 2015	FY 2014	Actual	CER
U.S.	513	334	53%	28%
Europe	134	112	20%	20%
International markets	32	25	26%	26%
Total Vimpat®	679	471	44%	26%

Vimpat® (*lacosamide*) is reaching more and more people living with epilepsy and achieved net sales of € 679 million. Since late 2014 Vimpat® is available in the U.S. for monotherapy treatment of partial onset seizures.

€ million	FY 2015	FY 2014	Actual	CER ¹
U.S.	79	38	> 100%	72%
Europe	150	138	9%	8%
Japan	19	16	15%	15%
International markets	10	7	44%	42%
Total Neupro®	258	200	29%	22%

Neupro® (*rotigotine*), the patch for Parkinson's disease and restless legs syndrome, continued its growth trend and reached net sales of € 258 million.

€ million	FY 2015	FY 2014	Actual	CER
U.S.	254	199	28%	7%
Europe	250	269	-7%	-8%
Japan	79	64	24%	19%
International markets	154	133	15%	8%
Total Keppra®	737	665	11%	2%

Keppra® (*levetiracetam*) for epilepsy net sales were € 737 million, up by 11%. In the U.S., Keppra® net sales benefited from short supply in the market and showed continued growth in Japan and international markets.

Revenue and net sales increased to €3.88 billion (+16%; +9% CER) and €3.51 billion (+20%; +12% CER) respectively driven by product growth and supported by tailwind from foreign exchange rates.

Royalty income increased to € 176 million (+9%; 0% CER). Other revenue decreased to € 188 million (-23%; -27% CER), mainly due to received milestone payments in 2014.

Gross profit went up to € 2.7 billion (+19%, +9% CER), due to the net sales growth and improved product mix. Operating expenses increased under-proportionally to revenue and net sales and were higher by 12% reaching € 2.1 billion (+5% CER). This is reflecting marketing and selling expenses of € 904 million, research and development expenses of € 1 037 million and general and administrative expenses of € 192 million.

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Underlying profitability –recurring EBITDA² reached €821 million (+35%; +18% CER), driven by strong net sales growth, higher gross margin and an under-proportional growth of operating expenses supported by tailwind from foreign exchange rates in 2015.

Non-recurring expenses were €55 million after €107 million, due to a gain from the divestiture of UCB's established brands in India. **Net financial expenses** went down to €96 million from €162 million, driven by lower interest expenses due to the pay-down of the outstanding retail bond which matured November 2014. **Income tax** expenses were €111 million reflecting an average tax rate on recurring activities of 24%.

Profit from discontinued operations, reflecting the divestiture and activities respectively of Kremers Urban, reached €359 million after €94 million respectively. In September 2015, UCB entered a definitive agreement with Lannett to sell its U.S. specialty generics business, Kremers Urban. Upon closing of the deal in November 2015, UCB received approximately US\$ 1.23 billion consisting of cash consideration of US\$ 1.03 billion (subject to certain adjustments) and US\$ 200 million senior unsecured notes issued to UCB by Lannett.

Profit of the Group was €674 million and of which €623 million is attributable to UCB shareholders and a profit of €51 million to non-controlling interests. In 2014, €199 million were attributable to UCB shareholders and a loss of €10 million to non-controlling interests.

Core earnings per share, which reflect profit attributable to UCB shareholders after tax effects of non-recurring items, financial one-offs and amortization of intangibles, reached €2.17 per share based on 192 million weighted average shares outstanding from €1.69 per share based on 191 million shares in 2014 (+28%; +9% CER).

The Board of Directors of UCB proposes a **dividend** of €1.10 per share (gross), an increase by four €-Cents or 4%.

Outlook 2016 - UCB expects continued growth. 2016 revenue should reach approximately €4.0 - 4.1 billion; recurring EBITDA² should increase to approximately €970 - 1 010 million. Core earnings per share are expected in the range of €2.90 - 3.20 based on an expected average of 188 million shares outstanding.

FY 2015 – Financial highlights

A full financial report on the consolidated results is available on the UCB website:

<http://www.ucb.com/investors/Financials/>

€ million	ACTUAL ¹		VARIANCE	
	2015	2014	ACTUAL RATES	CER ²
Revenue	3 876	3 344	16%	9%
Net sales	3 512	2 938	20%	12%
Royalty income and fees	176	163	9%	0%
Other revenue	188	243	-23%	-27%
Gross profit	2 719	2 291	19%	9%
Marketing and selling expenses	-904	-779	16%	9%
Research and Development expenses	-1 037	-928	12%	6%
General and administrative expenses	-192	-201	-4%	-8%
Other operating income/expenses (-)	-9	-4	> 100%	29%
Recurring EBIT (REBIT)	577	379	52%	28%
Non recurring income/expenses (-)	-55	-107	-49%	-40%
EBIT (operating profit)	522	273	92%	55%
Net financial expenses	-96	-162	-41%	-43%
Profit before income taxes	426	111	> 100%	> 100%
Income tax expenses (-)/credit	-111	-6	> 100%	> 100%
Profit from continuing operations	315	105	> 100%	> 100%
Profit/loss (-) from discontinued operations	359	94	> 100%	> 100%
Profit	674	199	> 100%	> 100%
Attributable to UCB shareholders	623	209	> 100%	> 100%
Attributable to non-controlling interests	51	-10	n.s.	n.s.
Recurring EBITDA	821	609	35%	18%
Capital expenditure (including intangible assets)	146	161	-9%	n.s.
Net financial debt	921	1 611	-43%	n.s.
Operating cash flow from continuing operations	204	537	> -100%	n.s.
Weighted average number of shares – non diluted	192	191	1%	n.s.
EPS (€ per weighted average number of shares – non diluted)	3.25	1.10	> 100%	> 100%
Core EPS (€ per weighted average number of shares – non diluted)	2.17	1.69	28%	9%

1. Due to rounding, some financial data may not add up in the tables included in this management report.

2 CER : constant exchange rates

"The statutory auditor has issued an unqualified report with no emphasis of matter paragraph dated 25 February 2016 on the company's consolidated accounts as of and for the year ended 31 December 2015, and has confirmed that the accounting data reported in the accompanying press release is consistent, in all material respects, with the accounts from which it has been derived."

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Moreover, sales may be impacted by international and domestic trends toward managed care and health care cost containment and the reimbursement policies imposed by third-party payers as well as legislation affecting biopharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement.