



First-Half 2009 Financial Results

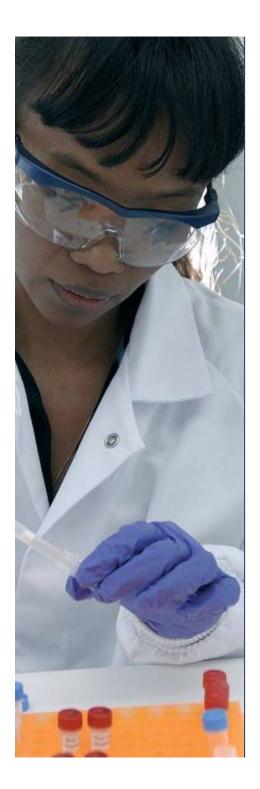
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A good first-half 2009

- Growth in sales
 - **▼ Up 6.0%**

like-for-like

Up 10.3% including recent business development agreements

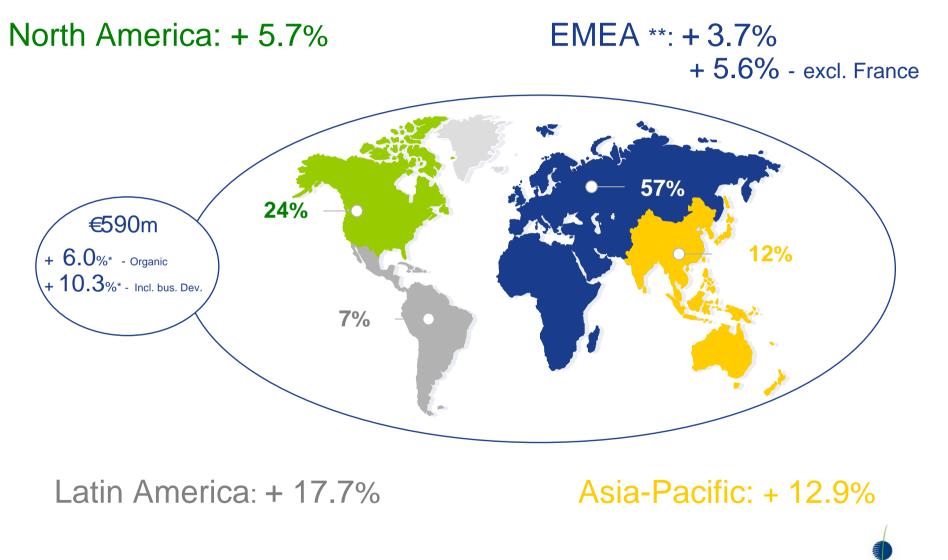
Growth in operating income before non-recurring items

- **Up 16%** vs. June 30, 2008
- ⇒ **16.5% of sales** vs. 15.9% as of June 30,2008

Results in line with objectives

Demonstrating resistance of business model in a difficult economic environment

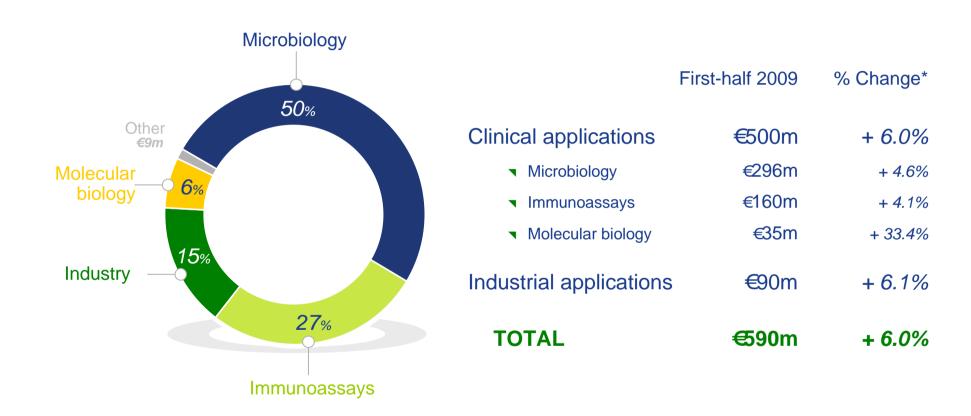




** EMEA: Europe, Middle East and Africa

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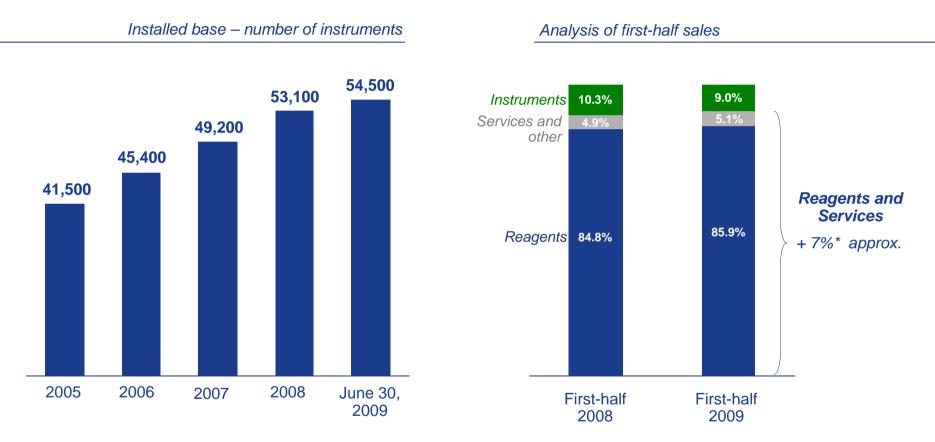
Sales by technology





* Growth rates are like-for-like

Installed base



- Net installations: up 1,400 instruments
- Recurring sales of reagents & services: more than 90% of sales



8 new launches, including:

► VIDAS[®] EBV

Detection of Epstein-Barr virus, which causes 80% of cases of infectious mononucleosis

- Proprietary technology
 3 markers: search for antibodies and determine stage of infection
- Automated, CE-marked test Fast results: 40 minutes

NucliSENS EasyQ[®] HIV-1 v2.0

Media Fill Test: for the pharmaceutical industry



Other first-half highlights

Influenza A (H1N1)

- Quidel QuickVue[®] Influenza A+B rapid test: clinical evaluation underway for H1N1
- easyMAG[®] extraction reagents: inventory build-up
- ▼ EasyQ[®] Influenza A/B molecular test: addition of the new H1N1 sequence
- Culture media production: vaccine manufacturers given priority

Advances in biomarker research programs

- ANNEXIN 3: development phase expected in Q1 2010
- Collaboration with ExonHit
 - Collaboration on the breast cancer program ended
 - Colon and prostate cancer programs continued

Optimization of production sites

- Solna, Sweden: transfer to France in June 2010 (La Balme)
- ▼ Toronto, Canada: transfer to US in Q1 2010 (Lombard, Illinois and Portland, Oregon)
- Employee shareholder plan



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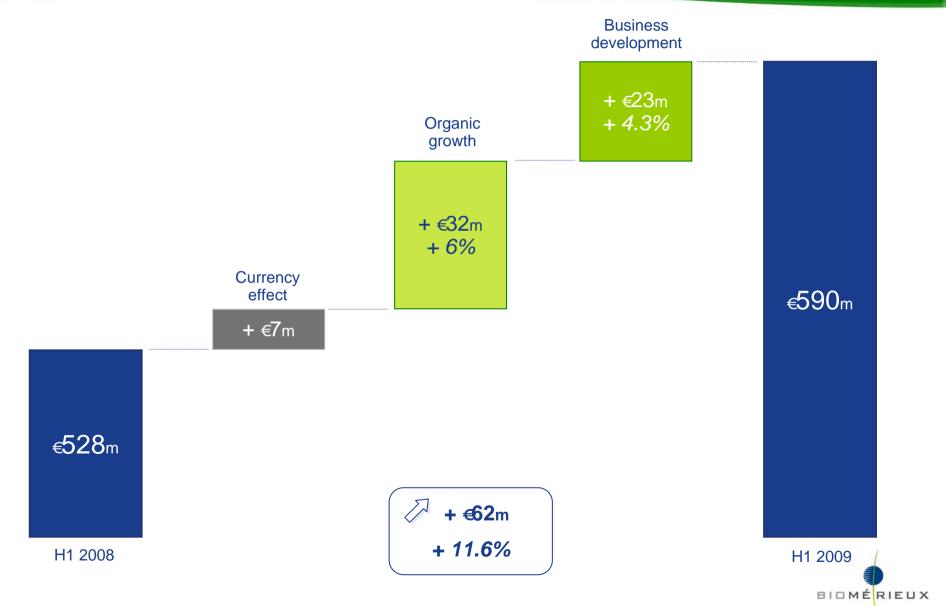


Consolidated income statement

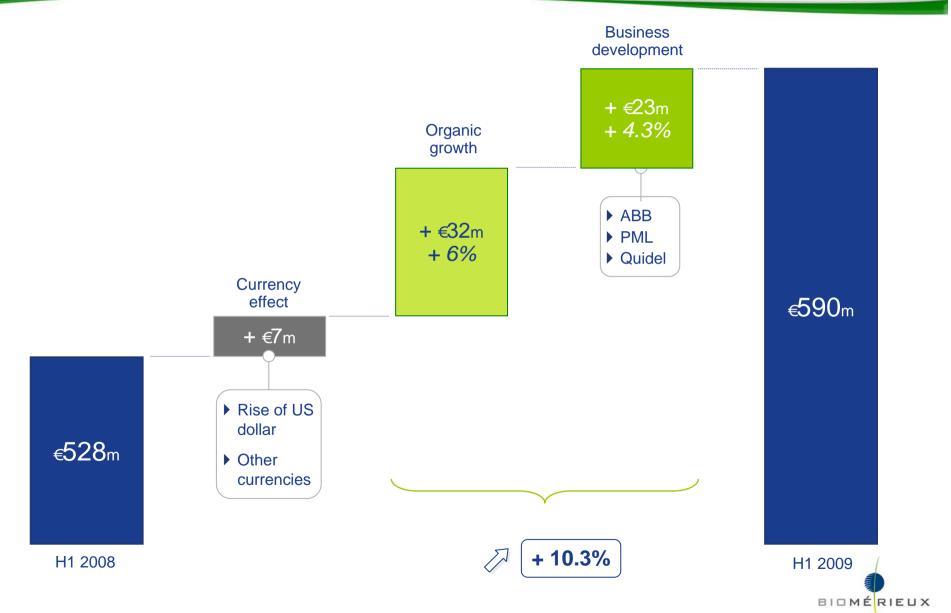
In € millions	H1 2009	H1 2008	% Change
Net sales	590	528	+ 11.6%*
Operating income before non-recurring items	97	84	+16.0%
As a % of sales	16.5%	15.9%	
Operating income As a % of sales	93 15.7%	85 16.0%	+9.2%
Net income	63	56	+12.2%
As a % of sales	10.7%	10.7%	



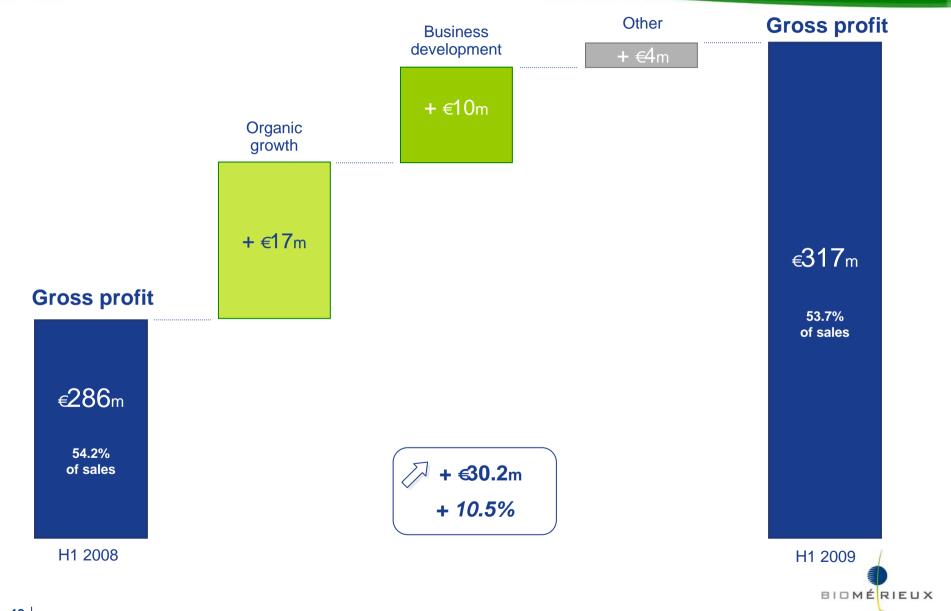
Net sales



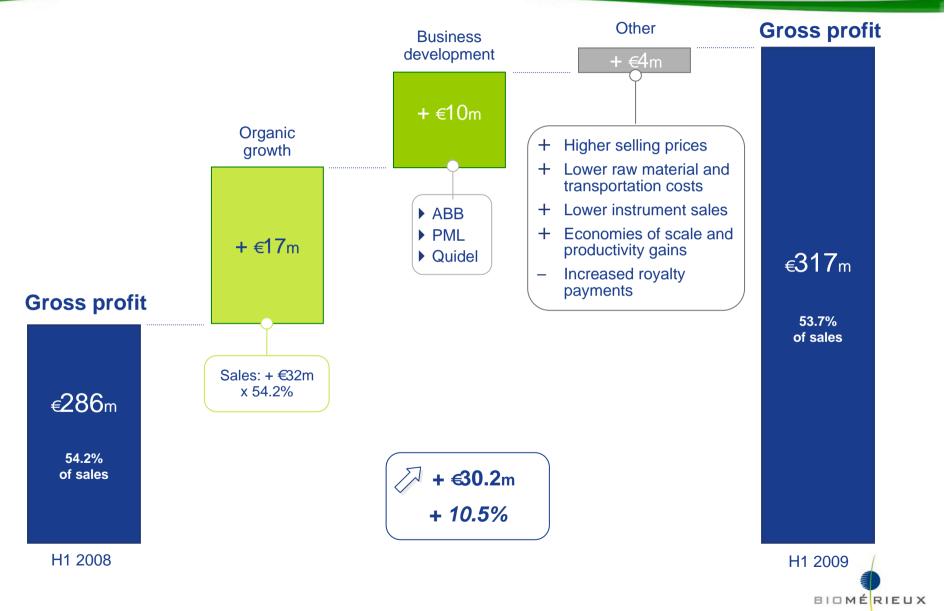
Net sales



Gross profit



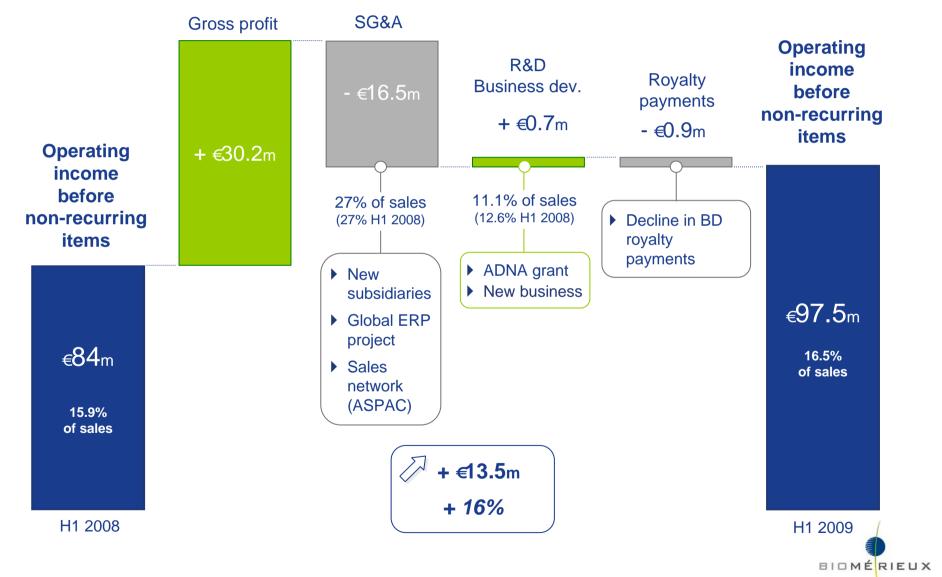
Gross profit



Operating income before non-recurring items



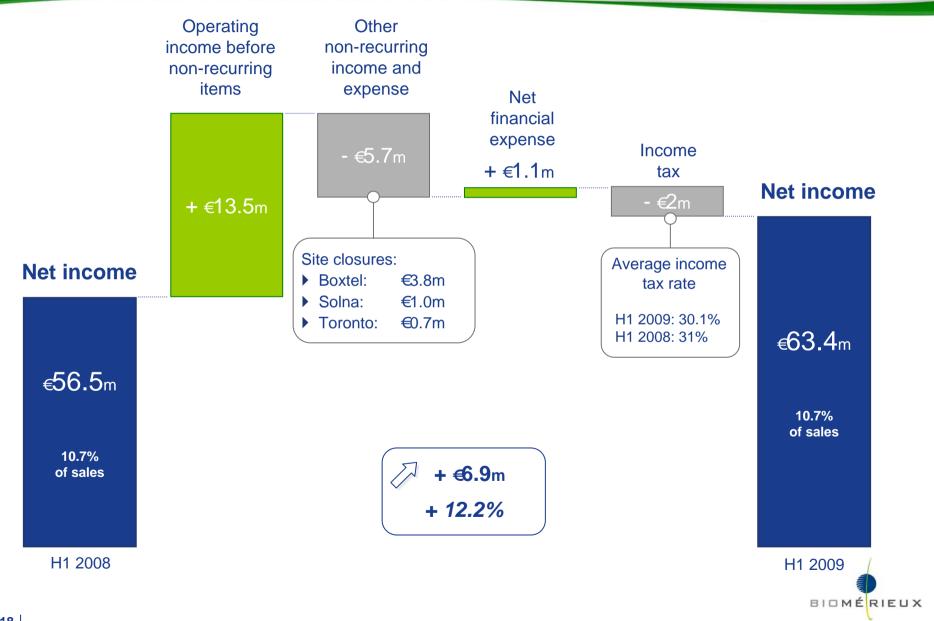
Operating income before non-recurring items



Net income



Net income



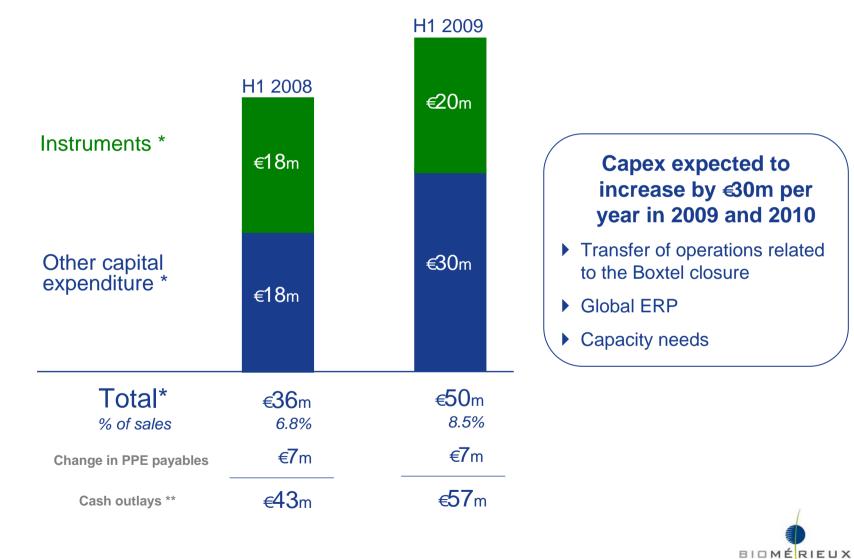
Cash flow statement

In € millions	H1 2009	H1 2008	Change
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	133	119	+ 14
Provisions and other	7	2	+ 5
Cash flow before tax and interest expense	140	121	+ 19
Income tax and financial expense	(29)	(17)	- 12
Operating working capital requirement	(34)	(24)	- 10
Capital expenditure (2)	(57)	(43)	- 14
Other ⁽³⁾	9	(6)	+ 15
Free cash flow	29	31	- 2
Acquisition of shares (4)	0	(73)	+ 73
Divestment of the Hemostasis business	0	2	- 2
Dividends	(32)	(30)	- 2
Net cash flow	(3)	(70)	+ 67

(1) Operating income before non-recurring items (H1 2009: €97m and H1 2008: €84m) and depreciation and amortization (H1 2009: €36m and H1 2008: €35m)
 (2) Capital expenditure outlays, including change in PPE payables
 (3) Including sales of treasury stock for €4m in H1 2009
 (4) Acquisition cost net of acquired cash at date of acquisition: ABB for €66m in H1 2008 and Omnimed for €5m in H1 2008



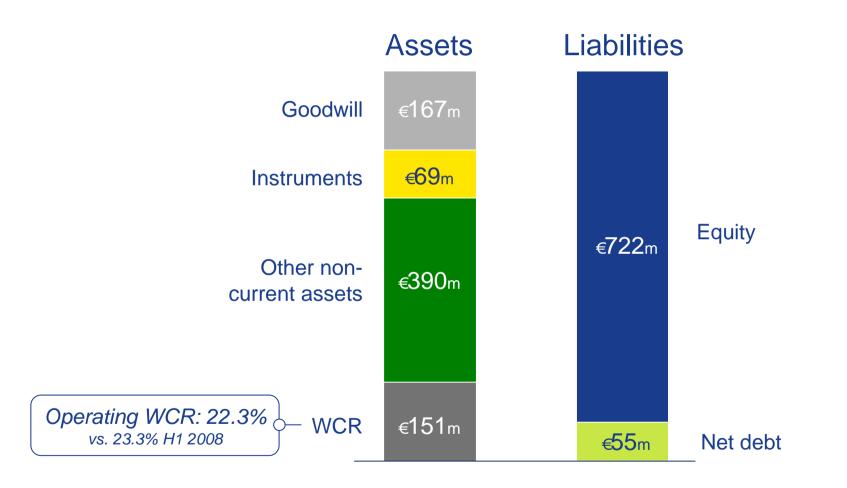
Sharp increase in capital expenditure



* After reclassification of the Omnimed acquisition in South Africa in H1 2008 ** Acquisition of PPE and intangible assets

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Summarized balance sheet







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Microbiology: bioMérieux's core business

bioMérieux: the industry leader

- A complete line of manual and automated products
- Recognized expertise across the value chain

• Genuine growth momentum

- ◄ 3 acquisitions since 2007: Biomedics, AB BIODISK, PML Microbiologicals
- Sharp increase in market share: 36% 38%[∗] in 2008 vs. 30%[∗] in 2006

Strategic focus on unmet medical needs

- Sepsis
- Healthcare-Associated Infections



Microbiology: new products and projects

- ► Full Microbiology Lab Automation FMLATM
 - Deployment scheduled over several years
 - **2008**:
 - Concept introduced
 - Strategic agreement signed with Hitachi High-Technologies Corp.
 - 2 new instruments launched: PREVI™ Isola and PREVI™ Color Gram
 - **2009**:
 - PREVI™ Isola and PREVI™ Color Gram extended to new countries
 - LeanSigma® method introduced to optimize laboratory workflow
- R&D Projects
 - R&D expenditure up by more than 30% since 2007
 - Several new platforms on the horizon



Full Microbiology Lab Automatio



Microbiology: new products and projects

A new approach to IT architecture

- One digital world" strategy
 - 2009: launch of VILINKTM
 Gradual implementation of remote microbiology systems maintenance
 - 2010: VITEK[®] 2 v5.01 Remote software updating

are updating

- ► FMLATM IT: IT solution to optimize microbiology lab workflows
 - Platform connectivity
 - New scientific data
 - Alerts, etc.







Opportunities

- Unmet medical needs
 - Need for faster, standardized results
 - Fight against Healthcare-Associated Infections
- Growing lack of skilled employees
- New technologies
- Consolidation of microbiology laboratories

Challenges

- New technologies
- Business uncertainties
 - Take-up rate by professionals
 - Consolidation ⇒ Customers' negotiating power
- Current economic environment ⇒ Reduced lab investment capacity



The VIDAS® franchise: a major asset

bioMérieux - VIDAS[®]: a proven niche position

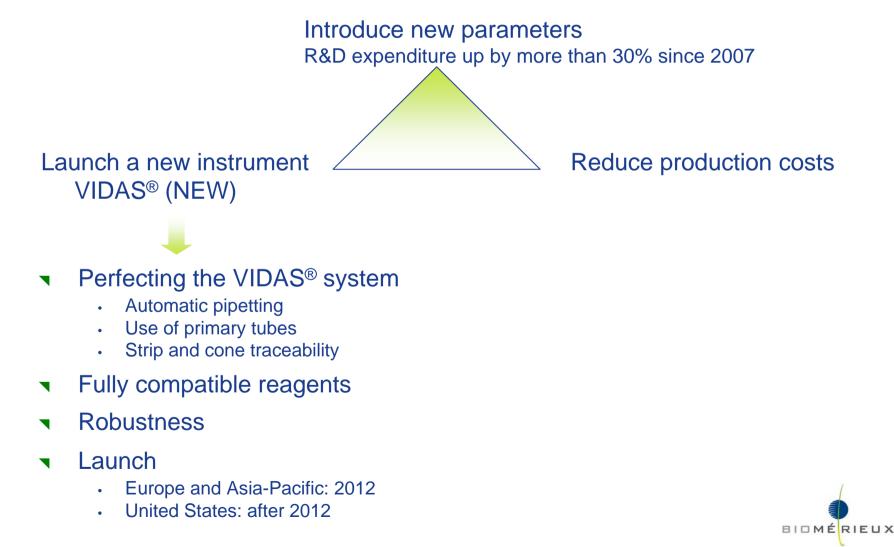


- The world's 2nd largest installed base, with more than 23,000 VIDAS[®] and mini VIDAS[®] systems
 - Low through-put instrument: up to 50 tests per hour
 - Reliable: MTBF* for VIDAS[®] = 660 days; for mini VIDAS[®] = 1,150 days
 - Flexible and easy to use
- VIDAS[®]: an extensive line of reagents
 - Clinical applications: 91 parameters
- Successful positioning
 - Routine tests: perfectly adapted to small laboratories and emerging markets
 - Specialty or high medical value tests: appropriate for all laboratories
 - D-Dimer, PCT, *C. difficile* toxin A&B, proBNP, EBV...



* MTBF: Mean Time Between Failures

Three-pronged strategy to increase VIDAS[®] business



Medium to long-term strength of the VIDAS® franchise

Opportunities

- Explosion of medical knowledge and discovery of innovative biomarkers
- Emerging markets
 - Rapidly increasing medical needs
 - ◄ VIDAS[®], just the right instrument
- ► Capturing the value of innovation ⇒ Higher prices for high medical value tests

Challenges

- Laboratory consolidation, mainly in Southern Europe
- ► Aggressive competition in the routine test market ⇒ Selling price decrease





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Sales growth objectives confirmed

- 5% to 7% Like-for-like
- 7% to 9%
 At constant exchange rates
 After the impact of business development agreements
- Higher full-year target for operating margin before non-recurring items
 - About 17%
- 2012 strategic plan objectives reaffirmed



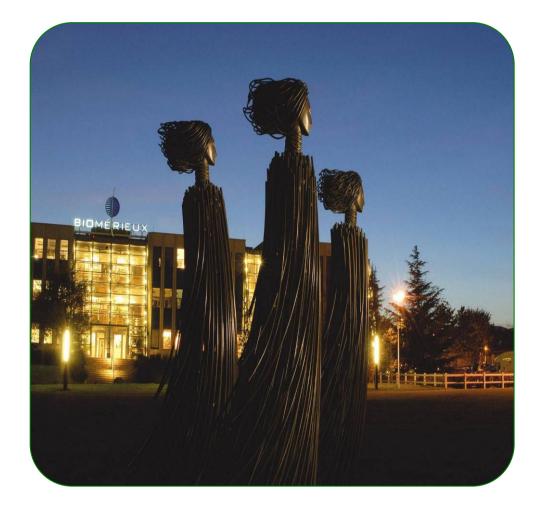
Conclusion

- Good first-half 2009 performance, in a difficult environment
 - Growth in sales
 - Growth in operating margin before non-recurring items
- An accelerating transformation process
 - ◄ Hiring new talent
 - Investing and innovating to meet patient needs
 - ▼ Strengthening global presence, particularly in the US, Asia-Pacific and Latin America

Strong fundamentals for the long term



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