



2011 Financial Results Strategic Initiatives & 2012 Operational Ambitions

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Solid 2011 performance Preparing for bioMérieux's future

- Effective strategic positioning
 - 2 highly selective acquisitions
 - AES Laboratoire, fully dedicated to industrial applications
 - ARGENE, specialized in molecular diagnostics for immunocompromised patients
 - Reinforced # 1 position in clinical microbiology
 - Sales up 8.2%*
 - Reinforced # 1 position in industrial applications
 - Advances in VIDAS[®] strategic repositioning
 - Double-digit sales growth in emerging countries
 - Sales up 18%* in high medical value tests
 - A well-balanced geographic footprint and a long experience in emerging countries



* Growth rates at constant exchange rates and comparable business base,

excluding the impact of the recent acquisitions and of discontinuing culture media for the routine clinical test business in North America

Solid 2011 performance Preparing for bioMérieux's future

Strong achievements

- Resistance in a deteriorated economic context: bioMérieux's sales up 4.1%*
- Solid financials
 - Operating income before non-recurring items: €258m 18% of net sales
 - Free cash flow generation: €118m
- Rapid expansion of the installed base: 4,900 new instruments
- Continuous focus on R&D
 - 25 new products launched
 - 5 innovative / game-changing instruments under development
- Reinforced foundations
 - Optimized manufacturing operations
 - Strengthened teams
 - > 7,000 full-time equivalent employees (FTE) worldwide
 - Reinforcement of production and sales & marketing teams
 - Optimized organization and enhanced role of Technology Units

- VIDAS[®] New Generation
- New blood culture system
- Incubator integrating imaging tech.
- Molecular biology platform Biocartis
- Point-Of-Care device Philips



excluding the impact of the recent acquisitions and of discontinuing culture media for the routine clinical test business in North America

^{*} Growth rates at constant exchange rates and comparable business base,

Solid 2011 performance 2 highly selective acquisitions

AES Laboratoire, building the world leader in food testing

- ◄ €31m revenues since acquisition, 385 FTE
- Upsides
 - Commercial: highly complementary product lines, leveraging bioMérieux's global customer base
 - Production: capabilities for custom products in Combourg (France)
 - Innovation: industrial cytometry
- ARGENE, an important milestone in bioMérieux's molecular biology strategy
 - ◄ €5m revenues since acquisition, 66 FTE
 - Upsides
 - Commercial: comprehensive range of diagnostics for transplant patients, leveraging bioMérieux's extensive commercial network
 - Production: high quality production site in Verniolle (France)
 - Innovation: adapting ARGENE's tests to the Biocartis platform
- Integration plan on track









2011 Sales Resistance in a deteriorated economic environment





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2011 Sales Effective strategic positioning

A highly diversified company



	2011	% Change	
Clinical Applications	€1,177m	+ 4.0%	
Microbiology	€737 m	+ 8.2%	
Immunoassays	€355m	- 0.6% ^(a)	
Molecular Biology	€69m	- 9.0% ^(b)	
Industrial Applications	€250 m	+ 4.5%	
TOTAL	€1,427 m	+ 4.1%	
	(a) Incl VIDAS [®] + ~ A_{2}		

^(a) Incl. VIDAS[®] + ~ 4% ^(b) Incl. easyMAG[®] + ~ 10%*

bioMérieux's core business, clinical microbiology, continues to conquer strategic positions



Growth rates at constant exchange rates and comparable business base,

excluding the impact of the recent acquisitions and of discontinuing culture media for the routine clinical test business in North America * Excluding the impact of the end of the NHLS contract in South Africa

2011 Microbiology market share Growing leadership

Strong increase in bioMérieux's market share



Proven ability to maintain our leadership position



 * bioMérieux estimates based on internal analysis and on a report from a major U.S. independent diagnostics consulting firm €/\$ = 1.39 in 2011

2011 Rapid expansion of our installed base



Analysis of 2011 sales

Strong instrument sales preparing for tomorrow's growth



Growth rates at constant exchange rates and comparable business base,

Installed base - number of instruments

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Solid 2011 performance Continuous focus on innovation

- Enhanced commercial offer
 - Successful launch of VITEK[®] MS
 - 24 new reagents
 - New service offer
 - Streamlining of the rapid diagnostic offering
- Launch of a new MYLA[®] version and further geographic expansion
- New CE-marked VITEK[®] 2 AST* test for Piperacillin / Tazobactam
- Strong focus on R&D
 - Rich pipeline with 5 systems under development
 - 3 new strategic collaborations
 - bioTheranostics: clinical utility of CancerTYPE ID[®] further demonstrated by clinical studies with positive outcome
 - 3rd edition of the World HAI** Forum
 - Creation of LyonBioTech Technological Research Institute





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Consolidated income statement (in € millions)

	2011	As a % of sales	2010	As a % of sales	Change 2011 / 2010
Net sales	1,427	100%	1,357	100%	+ 5.2%*
Gross margin	761	53.3%	722	53.2%	+ 5.4%
Operating income before non- recurring items	258	18.0%	254	18.7%	+ 1.6%
Operating income	245	17.2%	244	18.0%	+ 0.6%
Net income	161	11.2%	160	11.8%	+ 0.3%



* Organic growth: + 4.1%

Net sales



Gross margin



Operating income before non-recurring items



Net result (in € millions)

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Non-recurring items	- 13	- 0.8%	- 10	- 0.7%	
Operating income	245	17.2%	244	18.0%	+ 0.6%
Net financial expense Income tax <i>(tax rate)</i>	- 7 - 77	- 0.5% 32.5%	- 3 - 81	- 0.2% 33.7%	
Net income	161	11.2%	160	11.8%	+ 0.3%

Recommended dividend €0.98 / share (€38.7m)



Cash flow statement (in € millions)

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	2011	2010	Change
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	343	334	+ 9
Income tax and financial expense	- 70	- 78	+ 8
Operating working capital requirement	- 50	- 42	- 8
Capital expenditure (2)	- 102	- 123	+ 21
Other	- 3	- 11	+ 8
Free cash flow	118	80	+ 38
Acquisition of shares (3)	- 233	- 25	- 208
Dividends	- 39	- 36	- 3
Net cash flow	- 154	19	- 173
Net cash at closing	- 131	+ 24	

(1) Operating income before non-recurring items (2011: €258m and 2010: €254m), depreciation and amortization (2011: €85m and 2010: €80m)

(2) Capital expenditure outlays, including change in PPE payables

(3) Acquisition cost (net of acquired cash at date of acquisition) and equity stakes:

in 2011: AES Laboratoire, ARGENE, Knome, Meikang Biotech

in 2010: Meikang Biotech, Dima Diagnostika, Zenka, Knome and Biocartis

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Adapting to the changes in our market environment

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Market environment	bioMérieux's strategy	bioMérieux's results
Deterioration in macro- economic environment and market's slowdown (est. growth rate: < ~ 5%*, down ~ 1%)	A well-balanced geographic footprint and a strong focus on innovation	Adaptability and resistance: Microbiology sales: + > 8%** Extraction sales: + ~ 10%*** VIDAS [®] high medical value test sales: + 18%**
 Austerity measures in Southern European countries 	 Continuous international expansion 	 South of E.U: strict commercial measures + expansion in emerging countries
 Acceleration in lab consolidation in France 	 Microbiology offer adapted to lab consolidation + VIDAS[®] repositioning 	 Microbiology: + ~ 5%** in 2011 in France
 Uncertainties in the U.S. 	 Reorganization of U.S. commercial operations 	 Robust instrument sales in 2011 and renewed contracts with all major lab

* Market data are based on internal analysis and exclude the blood glucose monitoring business

** 2011 sales growth at constant exchange rates and comparable business base

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Mid- to long-term vision proven to be effective

Market environment	bioMérieux's strategy	bioMérieux's results
Solid foundations make IVD attractive, mid- to long-term	An ambitious strategy with a long-term vision	Solid performance and confidence
 High-growth emerging countries 	 Focus on emerging countries (China, in particular) 	 More than 25% of our net sales and vigorous growth
 Strong need for innovation: reinforced automation, shorter time-to-result 	 Innovation-focused strategy ⇒ R&D: ~ 11% of sales 	 FMLA[®] offer and robust pipeline of new systems
 Explosion of medical knowledge: new technologies, new biomarkers 	 Extensive science and technology watch, research, and selective partnerships 	 Successful launch of VITEK[®] MS and innovative tests under development
 Increasing role of <i>in vitro</i>* diagnostics, delivering health economic and medical value 	 A pure player in IVD 	 3 complementary technologies and high medical value test offer (incl VIDAS[®] B.R.A.H.M.S PCT)

IVD is a growing market even in this challenging economy

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* In vitro *diagnostics* = *IVD*

Confirmed strategic priorities

Our strategy

- Improving patient health through a complete range of *in vitro* diagnostic solutions for the management of
 - Infectious diseases
 - Cardiovascular diseases
 - Targeted cancers
- Improving laboratory operational efficiency
- Ensuring consumer safety and product quality with solutions for detecting microorganisms to track and prevent product contaminations
 - Food
 - Biopharmaceutical
- 3 areas of focus
 - Innovation
 - Geographical expansion
 - Targeted acquisitions and partnerships

A unique positioning with attractive growth opportunities



2 strategic pillars with leadership positions

	Clinical Microbiology	Industrial Applications
% of sales	52%	18%
Estimated market share	~ 42%	~ 20%*
Size	~ 5% of IVD market	€1.4b
Main market needs	Time-to-result Cost effectiveness	Cost effectiveness
Competition	Becton Dickinson New entrants / technologies	Fragmented market
bioMérieux's main assets	Unique biology expertise Largest offer, incl. FMLA [®] & MYLA [®]	Clinical expertise International network



Undisputed leadership positions = 70% of our net sales

- Continue to expand our leadership positions in clinical and industrial microbiology
 - Be the market's innovator...



- **Industrial Applications**
- Develop flow cytometry
- Enhance portfolio with molecular biology
 AES Laboratoire products
 Partnership with Idaho Technology

- ...And develop solutions adapted to the new economic context
 - Full microbiology laboratory automation FMLA® solutions
 - 2012: launch of a new version of MYLA[®]
 - 2012: stronger take-off of "Performance Service Solution"
 - Fast microbiology



An astute, focused player

• Key assets to build upon

	Immunoassays	Molecular Biology
% of sales	25%	5%
Estimated market share	~ 4%	~ 2%
Size	~ 28% of IVD market	~ 9% of IVD market
Main market needs	Laboratory consolidation New innovative biomarkers	New technologies Cost effectiveness
Competition	Large IVD companies	Dominant players
bioMérieux's main assets	VIDAS [®] installed base VIDAS [®] menu Philips collaboration	easyMAG [®] franchise ARGENE menu Biocartis collaboration



An astute, focused player



- Enter new fields
 - Manual (BIONEXIA®) and automated point-of-care (handheld solution with Philips)
- Strengthen our molecular biology franchise through effective asset consolidation
 - Extraction franchise: easyMAG[®] New Generation
 - Integration of ARGENE
 - ◄ 2013 Biocartis platform launch, bioMérieux focusing on infectious diseases
 - Progress in personalized medicine



VIDAS[®] New Generation: a major launch

- Same biology
 - Extensive menu: 97 clinical parameters and 16 industrial parameters
 - Strong focus on high medical value tests
- Same philosophy
 - Easy-to-use
 - Robust
 - Flexible
- Reinforced automation
- New services for a large community of customers
 - Accreditation
 - Quality control



Full SPR / strip traceability



An offensive strategy for growth in emerging countries and high medical value tests



A global company for a global market

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Balanced sales across 4 geographic quadrants ensuring mid- to long-term momentum

Market data are based on internal analysis

2 new subsidiaries planned in fast-growing markets

Objectives

- Fast-paced development in emerging countries
- Reinforce bioMérieux's market shares and brand
- Be closer to end-consumers
- Malaysia
 - IVD market estimated at ~ \$45m, growing at ~ 15% a year
 - Population: 27m inhabitants (2x in 30 years)
- Vietnam
 - IVD market estimated at > \$50m, growing at ~15% a year
 - Population: 87m inhabitants (up 150% over 50 years)

Reinforcing and optimizing our commercial network



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2012 Operational ambitions



Driving operational excellence to successfully execute our strategic initiatives



AES Laboratoire integration 2012 milestones

Commercial	Innovation	Production			
 Market products in H1 2012 for bioMérieux's customers: AES Laboratoire "blue range" for sample preparation AES Laboratoire innovative culture media First promotional actions for cytometry platforms Rationalize both companies' culture media ranges 	<text><text><text></text></text></text>	<text><text></text></text>			
A seamless transition of customer base					

& product offer for undisputed leadership



ARGENE integration 2012 milestones

	Commercial	Innovation	Production
	Commercialize ARGENE products through bioMérieux's distribution network	Adapt ARGENE's current RT-PCR immunocompromised products on the Biocartis platform	Transfer 2 high-volume products to Grenoble site to allow ARGENE site to absorb next year's increasing volume
	Distribute ARGENE products under bioMérieux's brand Register ARGENE products wherever necessary		Progressively adapt ARGENE's production site to bioMérieux's IS infrastructure and operating software standards
ARGENE products			

A smooth integration to maximize sales growth opportunities



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Lean R&D organization for revolutionary solutions

- Key changes in R&D: R&D Council and Innovation & Systems Department
- Optimized launch of 5 priority systems...



New blood culture system —

...and including 2 new instruments for our FMLA® offer

- ...designed for the increasingly important role of in vitro diagnostics
 - Medical information
 64%* of patient information for doctors comes from diagnostic tests
 - Laboratory operations shorter time-to-result, optimized workflow, enhanced traceability,...

Investor Day: November 29, 2012



* Source: EDMA

- A major project: implement a single Global ERP
 - Worldwide
 - ▼ For nearly all operations: supply chain, production, sales admin. & finance
- Deployment of SAP standard version



2012 and beyond: increase Global ERP utilization and enhance efficiency gains


End of 2011: global ERP landscape



End of 2012: global ERP landscape



Human resources Key for our competitiveness

- Employee engagement program
 - Full mobilization behind strategic initiatives
 - Compensation aligned with results
- Focus on bioMérieux University
- Marketing teams included in Technology Units to better integrate customer needs in product development

Aligning our teams behind our ambitions





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2012 - 2015 Roadmap

bioMérieux's commitment	Action plan		
Drive market growth for selected positions, leveraging our assets	 Expand leadership in clinical and industrial microbiology Strengthen our franchises in high medical value tests (VIDAS®) and molecular biology extraction Expand geographical reach, especially in emerging countries Create at least 2 new subsidiaries China to become # 3 subsidiary Integrate AES Laboratoire and ARGENE 		
Provide a continuous rollout of innovations for growth	Focus on 5 new system launches Commercialize innovative tests and services Evaluate + select promising technologies and biomarkers		
Seize strategic opportunities, while maintaining financial solidity	Engage in targeted acquisitions and partnerships • With strong strategic fit • At a price enabling value creation for our shareholders		
Strictly manage operating costs, while launching 5 new systems	Focus on execution and operational excellence		

2012 Objectives

▶ 2012

2012 sales growth objective

A challenging economic context 2011 trends to continue An investment year

between 3 - 5% at constant exchange rates and comparable business base



between 6 - 8% at constant exchange rates

2012 operating result before non-recurring items

between €255 - 270m

taking into account R&D and commercial costs to prepare for system launches, "Global ERP" deployment costs and negative currency impacts



Conclusion: ability to adapt in tough times thanks to strong fundamentals

- Ability to execute our mid- to long-term commitments
 - A clear strategy...
 - Focus on innovation for high clinical value and customer-centric solutions
 - Drive geographic expansion
 - Seize external opportunities
 - …leveraging the Company's assets
 - Unparalleled leadership in clinical and industrial microbiology
 - Extensive commercial network and broad installed base
 - Strong financials
- Capacity to deliver our 2012 objectives
 - Resistant business model, with proven capacity to adapt to a changing environment
 - Clear operational ambitions, enhanced organization, and leaner processes

High confidence in our business model's resistance to deliver sustainable growth and execute our 2012-2015 roadmap



Appendices



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• In Greece: provision for depreciation* of receivables prior to $2010 \cong 75\%$

Public customer receivables	Net amount In € millions	DSO** December 2011 In days	Change in 1 year
Italy	48	317	+ 20
Spain	32	400	+ 119
Portugal	11	455*	+ 141
Greece	9	1,086	- 71
Total	100		

Implementation of strict commercial measures with public-sector customers

- Prepayments
- Instruments repossessed
- Legal actions



Capital expenditure



Summarized balance sheet



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