

Driving sustainability

Interim results – 28 April 2021



Half year highlights Financial results Business review Strategic update Summary and outlook





Highlights Dr James Routh



Performance in line with expectations

- As anticipated, revenue broadly comparable to H2 2020
- COVID-19 impacts continued into H1 2021
- Customer activity returning slowly but testing operations remained restricted

Strong performance in simulation

- Good order intake with two aVDS orders in H1
- Significant contract win for an advanced variant of aVDS for major automotive OEM
- Recovery of order intake and revenue at rFpro

Market drivers remain intact

- Regulatory drivers remain in place
- Continued drive from consumer bodies such as Euro-NCAP
- US change of administration presents growth opportunities

Continued investment for growth

- New product development
- New Engineering Design Centre completed
- Continued build of senior management team
- Ongoing investment in systems and processes

Acquisition of Vadotech Group

- Delivering on our strategic priorities
- Value-enhancing acquisition in strategically important APAC region
- Expansion of capability into on-road testing services
- Significant opportunity for growth

Positive trading momentum

- Deferred capital equipment orders received in H1 as anticipated
- Strengthened order intake trend with book to bill ratio positive
- Provides confidence for continued positive momentum into H2

Financial results

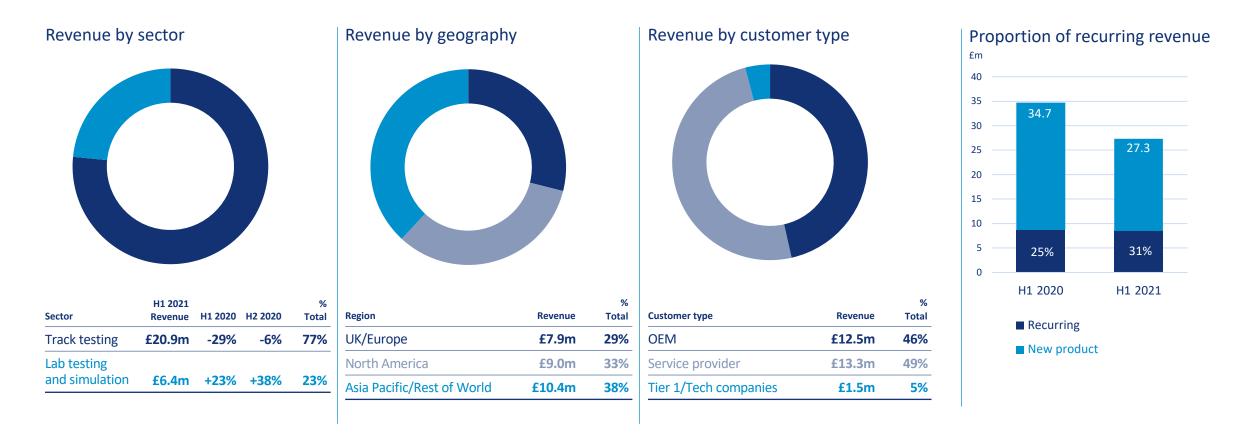
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	H1 2021 £m	H2 2020 £m	% Change	H1 2020 £m	% Change
Revenue	27.3	26.8	2%	34.7	-21%
Gross margin	57.7%	58.3%	-60 bps	58.5%	-80 bps
Adjusted operating profit	3.5	3.3	6%	8.0	-57%
Adjusted operating margin	12.8%	12.2%	60 bps	23.2%	-1,040 bps
Adjusted profit before tax	3.5	2.8	25%	8.1	-57%
Adjusted tax charge	0.5	0.4	23%	1.5	-66%
Adjusted tax rate	14.7%	14.9%	-20 bps	18.7%	-400 bps
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	13.1p	10.7p	22%	29.2p	-55%
Cash flow					
from operations	7.8	3.6	113%	3.3	139%
Capital expenditure	4.6	6.1	-23%	2.1	115%
Net cash	33.1	30.0	11%	34.2	-3%

- H2 2020 most relevant comparative
- Revenue broadly comparable to H2 2020 with COVID-19 impact continuing into H1 2021
- Gross margin maintained despite higher proportion of lower margin laboratory testing and simulation sales
- Operating margins impacted by lower revenue and investment in capability
- Operating margins improved on H2 2020 despite FX headwinds and investment in capability

Results overview

HY 2021 half year revenue of £27.3m

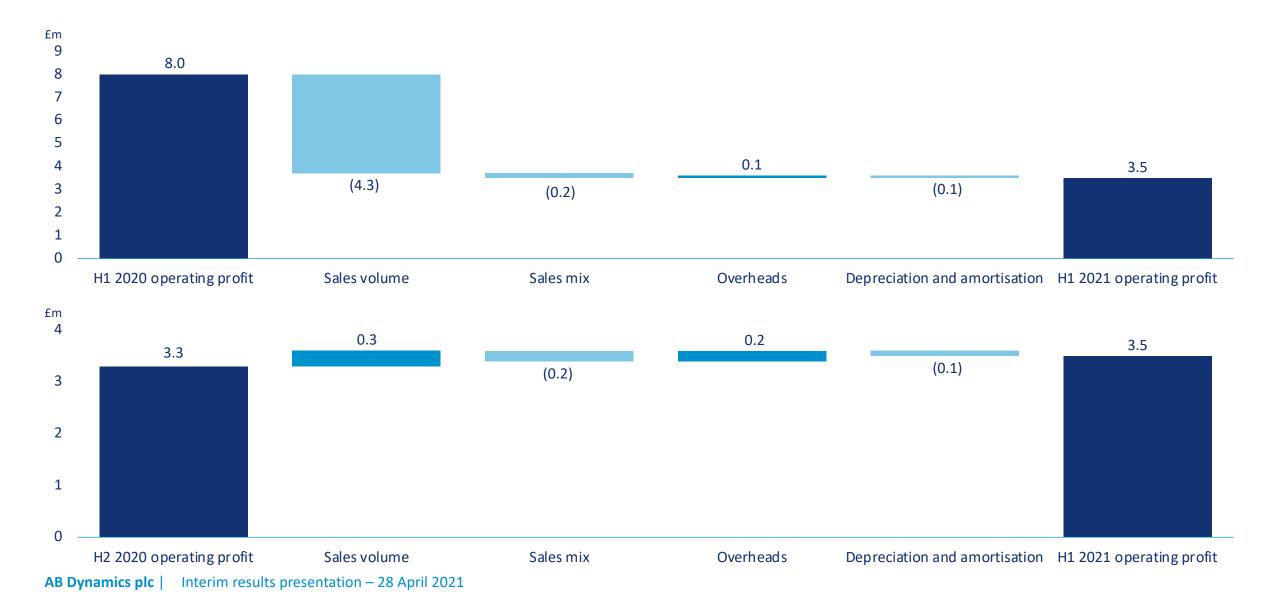


Revenue



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Operating profit bridge



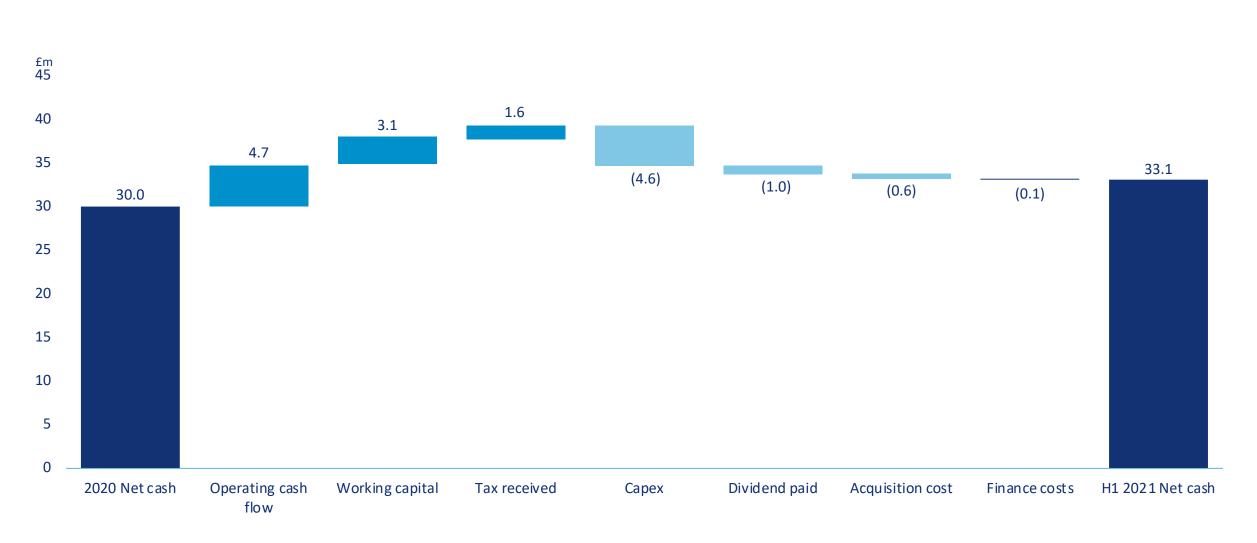
	H1 2021 £m	H1 2020* £m
Amortisation of acquired intangibles	1.7	1.8
Acquisition related charge	0.4	0.6
Restructuring	-	0.1
Inventory impairment	-	1.9
Total adjustments	2.1	4.4

* Comparatives have been restated to reflect inclusion of the share based payment charge within the underlying figures as this is expected to be an ongoing cost for the Group.

	H1 2021 £m	FY 2020 £m
Goodwill and intangibles	33.9	34.9
Property, plant and equipment	27.3	25.0
Fixed assets	61.2	59.9
Working capital	11.2	15.4
Net cash	33.1	30.0
Net current assets	44.3	45.4
Tax liabilities	(2.9)	(2.5)
Net assets	102.6	102.8

- Balance sheet remains robust
- Significant cash resources enable:
 - Continued investment in new product development and infrastructure
 - Acquisition of Vadotech Group in H2 2021

Cash bridge





	H1 2021 As reported £m	H1 2021 Restated at 2020 rates £m	% Change
Revenue	27.3	27.0	+1%
Adjusted operating profit	3.5	3.5	_

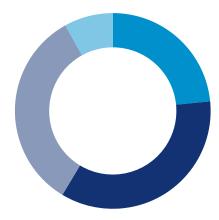
Average exchange rate	H1 2021	H1 2020
US\$	1.33	1.29
Euro	1.11	1.15
Yen	140	143

- 86% of revenue in foreign currency in H1 2021
- The impact of a weaker US dollar was offset by a stronger Euro
- 10% movement in exchange rates would have a £2m translation impact on revenue and £0.4m impact on operating profit

Business review

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H1 revenue by sector



Laboratory testing and simulation: £6.4m (23%) ADAS test products: £9.6m (35%) Driving robots: £9.1m (34%) Track test services: £2.2m

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£20.9m -29%

Track testing revenue

³⁵ 25% CAGR

£m

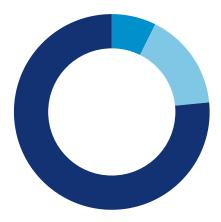


Highlights

- Recovery in order intake, particularly Q2
- Demand recovery for driving robots (H2 2020 vs H1 2021)
- Book to bill ratio provides confidence in H2
- Launch of LaunchPad 60 product line
- GST120 market traction
- Strong interest and engagement with Euro-NCAP and OEMs on ESS/Halo
- Established contract with EC Joint Research Centre



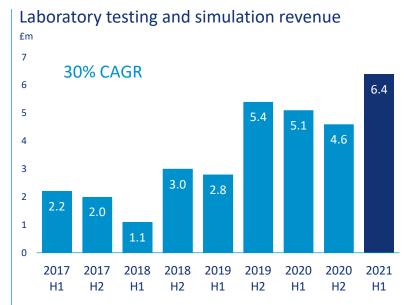
H1 revenue by sector



Laboratory testing: £2.1m (7%) Simulation: £4.3m (16%)

Track testing £20.9m (77%)

£6.4m +23%



Highlights

- SPMM sales flat on 2020 due to order intake timing
- Strong growth in simulation of 39%, both simulators and software
- Significant recovery of simulation vs H2 2020
- Positive trading momentum with solid order book for H2
- Major partnership with automotive OEM for next generation full motion simulator
- Development of rFpro headlight simulation capability

Strategic update

Products and innovation	Capability and capacity	International expansion	Service and support	Acquisitive growth
Market-led new product development	Strong, capable senior management team	Direct sales channels driving improved margins	Source of higher margin, secure recurring revenue	Accelerate development of strategic priorities
Research and innovation	Business infrastructure and processes	Improved customer intimacy and market intelligence	Meets market need as requirements become more complex	Carefully selected, value-enhancing acquisition criteria
Systems, software and skills	Well-invested facilities and equipment	Enabler for increased service and support	Transition towards greater proportion of software	Organic growth compounders
Sustainable revenue growth	Foundations to support current and future growth	Direct sales channels and customer intimacy	Recurring revenue and margin enhancement	Growth compounders that add strategic value

New product development and R&D



- Completion of aNVH 250
- Market launch of LaunchPad 60
- Continued development of wider ADAS platform family
- Halo driving robot for ESS applications
- Development of next generation full motion simulator
- Continued expansion of rFpro capability

Capability and capacity



- Completion of new Engineering Design Centre including simulation suite
- ERP system expected go live during 2021
- Continued investment in senior management team
- Talent management and leadership development

International expansion and acquisitive growth



- Completion of Vadotech Group acquisition
- Expansion into strategically important APAC region
- Acquisition pipeline remains promising

Acquisition of Vadotech Group

Strategic rationale

- International expansion into APAC region
- Provision of on-road testing services capability
- Supported by long-term customer relationships and agreements
- Investment in an operating hub in Singapore to drive organic growth and further acquisitions
- Capabilities in e-mobility and EV testing

Growth opportunity

- Opportunity to replicate business model within China and other important territories, e.g. Europe and the USA
- Organic growth initiatives through Group-wide cross-selling and synergistic benefits
- Establish closer working relationships with customers in the region
- Increased access to EV market supported by strong structural drivers

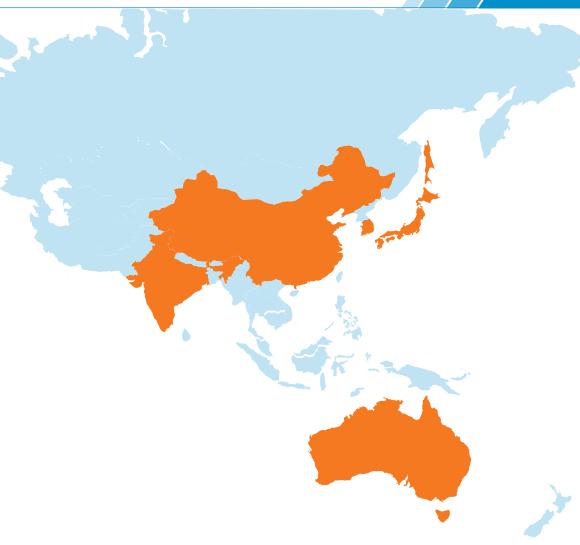


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Asia Pacific opportunity

- With the acquisition of Vadotech Group, Asia Pacific currently represents ca. 55% of total Group revenues
- Along with North America, Asia Pacific is forecast to be the fastest growing territory for core automotive market driven by population, connected vehicles, EVs and autonomous vehicles
- Differing market dynamics and large installed base requires local resources and expertise in key target territories of:
 - China
 - Japan
 - South Korea
 - India
 - Australia
 - ASEAN countries
- Investment in Singapore based operating hub used to drive organic growth in both core and adjacent markets and future acquisitions



ESG developments



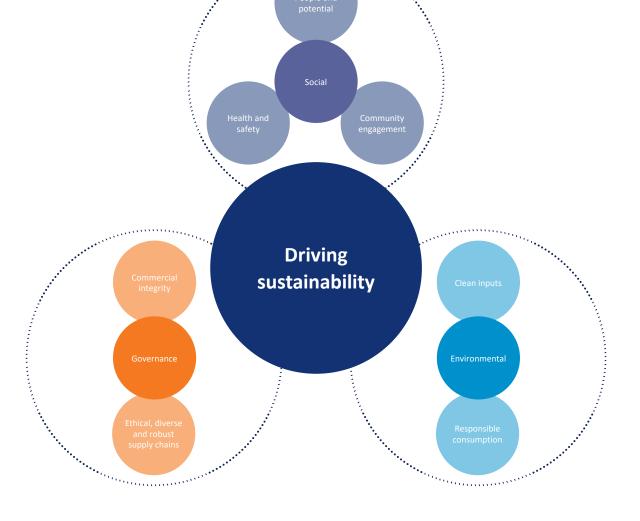
- The Board is fully committed to the development and implementation of an effective ESG strategy
- The Board has formed an ESG Committee chaired by Louise Evans (Non-Executive Director) with membership including the Chief Executive Officer
- The Group is fundamentally aligned to ESG through a mission to drive ongoing improvements in reduction of road based injuries and fatalities
- Continued Group diversification towards Electric Vehicles also supports the Group's sustainability objectives
- ESG objectives and action plans are currently being developed and will be reported as part of full year results

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Solar panels on the new Engineering Design Centre



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Summary and outlook

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- H1 in line with expectations due to continued COVID-19 impact and limitations on customer testing operations
- Order intake recovery, particularly in Q2
- Continued investment in new product development, capabilities, people and talent
- Long-term structural and regulatory growth drivers remain intact
- Outlook remains positive:
 - Trading momentum provides confidence for H2 and beyond, although some short-term risks remain
 - Expectation of continued strong performance in Laboratory testing and simulation
 - Accretive contribution from the acquisition of Vadotech Group
 - Strong balance sheet supports continued investment in innovation and value-enhancing acquisitions





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