

### Presentation of Results for the year ended 31st March 2004

3<sup>rd</sup> June 2004



### **Overview**

- Operating profit up 9% to £206.0 million despite adverse currency effects
- Catalysts well ahead with good contribution from former Synetix businesses
- Strong growth in Pharmaceutical Materials
- PBT up 3% at £195.7 million. EPS 4% ahead at 64.0 pence





### **Summary Results**

	2004	2003	
		restated	
	£m	£m	%
Turnover	4,493	4,324	+4
Sales excluding precious metals	1,224	1,159	+6
Operating profit	188.3	167.9	+12
Profit before tax	178.0	173.5	+3
Earnings per share	56.0p	55.4p	+1
Before exceptional items and goodwill			
amortisation:			
Operating profit	206.0	189.2	+9
Profit before tax	195.7	189.9	+3
Earnings per share	64.0p	61.8p	+4
Dividend	26.4p	25.5p	+4



### **Operating Profit**

2002

Catalysts
<b>Precious Metals</b>
Colours & Coatings
<b>Pharmaceutical Materials</b>
Corporate

2004	2003
	restated
£m	£m
109.2	95.3
44.2	48.0
26.7	25.3
42.3	36.7
(16.4)	(16.1)
206.0	189.2

2004

2004 at 2003 exchange rates*		
%	£m	%
+15	112.9	+18
-8	45.2	-6
+6	25.0	-1
+15	44.6	+22
	(16.4)	
+9	211.3	+12

\*Excluding South African rand

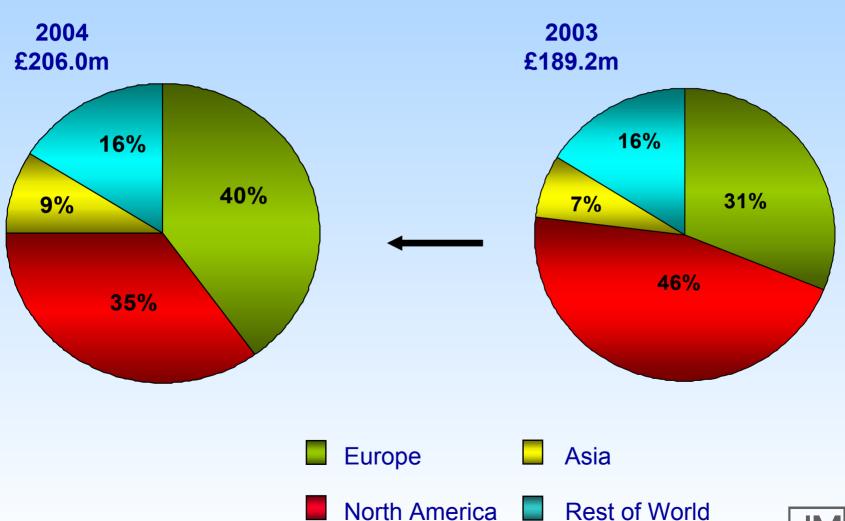


### **Return on Sales Excluding Precious Metals**

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2004	2003	Growth	2004	2003
£m	£m	%	%	%
720	652	+10	15.2	14.6
121	132	-9	36.7	36.4
252	253	-	10.6	10.0
131	122	+8	32.2	30.1
1,224	1,159	+6	16.8	16.3
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### **Geographical Split**Operating Profit





### Interest

2004 2003 restated £m £m

**Financial** 

Gold & silver leases

(15.3) (12.0)

(1.0) (1.2)

<u>(16.3)</u> <u>(13.2)</u>

**Interest Cover** 

12.6x

14.3x



### Net Return on Retirement Benefits Assets and Liabilities

**Expected return on scheme assets** 

Interest on scheme liabilities

2004	2003
	restated
£m	£m
37.5	46.4
(31.5)	(32.5)
6.0	13.9



### **Exceptional Items**

2004

£m

**Litigation settlement Catalysts' rationalisation** 

**Total** 

14.8

(12.7)

2.1



### **Taxation**

Underlying tax
Tax on exceptionals
Tax on goodwill amortisation

**Underlying tax rate** 

2004	2003
£m	£m
58.3	56.4
1.6	(2.0)
(2.0)	(0.7)
<u>57.9</u>	53.7
29.8%	29.7%



### **Return on Investment**

2004 2003 restated

£m £m

**Operating profit** 

**Average assets:** 

**Equity and minorities** 

Cumulative goodwill w/o

**Net borrowings** 

**Total investment** 

**Pre-tax ROA** 

Return on invested capital WACC

206	1	89

835	803
41	43

398	281
1,274	1,127

1	6.2%	16.8	3%
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11.4%	11.8%
8%	8%



#### **Free Cash Flow**

2004 2003 restated £m £m

Operating profit
Depreciation and amortisation
Working capital / other
Cash flow from operations
Interest / tax / dividends

Free cash flow

Capex

£m	£m
188	168
84	69
(12)	(7)
260	230
(116)	(110)
(114)	<u>(125)</u>
30	(5)



### **Net Cash Flow**

2004	2003
£m	£m

#### Free cash flow

Acquisitions / disposals

Shares issued / (bought)

#### **Net cash flow**

Loan notes issued

Exchange

Movement in debt

£m	£m
30	(5)
(18)	(249)
<u>(9)</u>	3_
3	(251)
(1)	<b>(7)</b>
<u>6</u>	14
8	(244)



### **Capital**

Mar 04	Mar 03
	restated
£m	£m

**Net debt** 

Shareholders' funds

**Minorities** 

**Capital employed** 

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395	403
862	787
9	11
1,266	1,201

Gearing 45% 50% (debt / shareholders' funds + minorities)







### **Catalysts Division**

- Good performance from ECT led by growth in Asia and diesel
- PCT well ahead. Good contribution from Synetix



## Environmental Catalysts and Technologies

- Asian region well ahead
- 37% market growth in China light duty vehicles
- Domestic US customers' production down
- Diesel cars now 46% of European market
- End of old production technology

## Environmental Catalysts and Technologies

**Light Duty Diesel** 

- JM share increasing
- New technologies include:
  - Catalysed soot filters
  - Use of palladium

# Environmental Catalysts and Technologies

**Heavy Duty Diesel** 

- Very strong retrofit sales in Japan
- Good growth in US and Europe
- Joint development programmes with major OEMs worldwide



### Process Catalysts and Technologies

- Successful integration of Synetix
- Process catalysts perform strongly
- PGM refining impacted by Pd and Rh prices
- Research Chemicals performs well



- Acquisition of AMC
- New pgm catalyst plant in India





### **Fuel Cells**

- Fuel Cells business making encouraging progress
- Increased sales to automotive sector
- £3.2 million grant from UK Government for MEA development
- Net expense down 12%



### **Precious Metals**

- Subdued trading conditions for most of year
- Market conditions improving



### Platinum and Palladium Prices



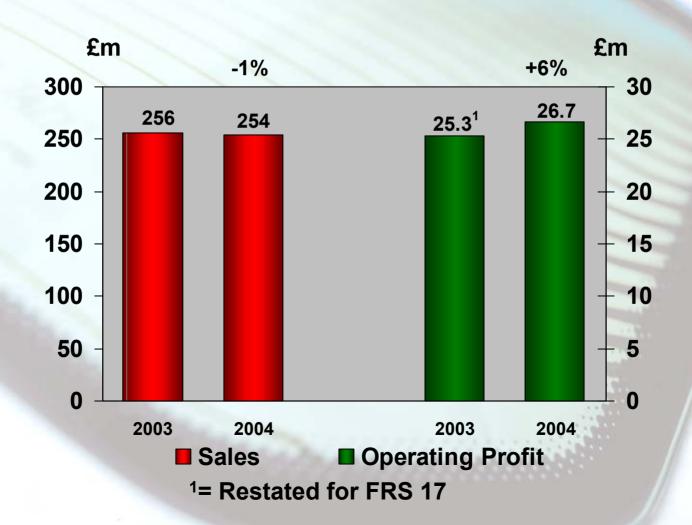
### **Precious Metals**

- Trading conditions improving
- Good growth in fabricated pgm products
- Weak demand for primary gold refining



### **Colours & Coatings**

Profits and margins up



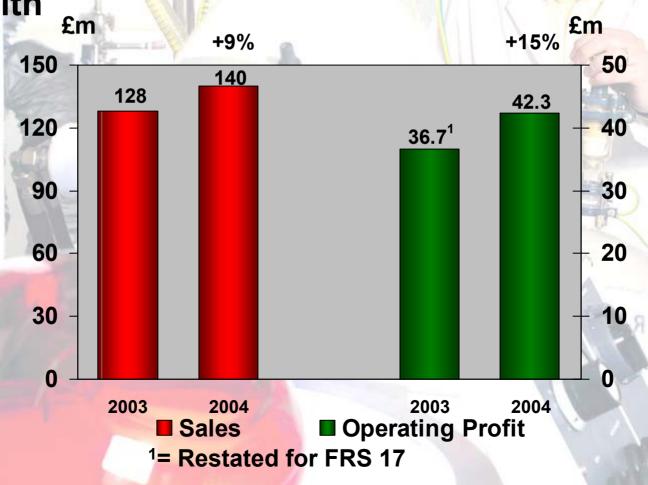
### **Colours & Coatings**

- Glass performs well
- Tile market impacted by strong euro, now improving
- Speciality Coatings benefits from lower costs



### **Pharmaceutical Materials**

- Strong growth in profits
- Good results at West Deptford and Macfarlan
   Smith



### **Pharmaceutical Materials**

- Expanded range of platinum drugs
- Growth in specialist opiates
- Recovery in demand at Pharm-Eco
- Development of prostaglandins

### **Pharmaceutical Materials**

- Carboplatin patent to expire in 2004
- New opiates facility at West Deptford commissioned
- New production capacity for specialist products at Macfarlan Smith
- New product pipeline increased to over 80.
   Several new products introduced in year

### **Outlook**

- Markets improving
- Further growth from Catalysts and Pharmaceutical Materials
- Currency effect impact of weak US dollar



### **Longer Term Growth**

- Heavy duty diesel catalysts
- Growth in opiates and prostaglandins
- Gas to liquids catalysts
- Fuel Cells



