

Smiths Group plc Opportunities to create value

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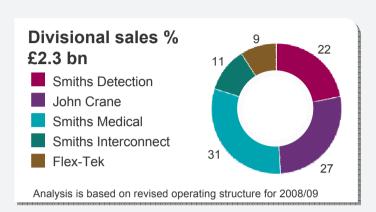


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Smiths Group at a glance

Smiths Group has five divisions: Smiths Detection, John Crane, Smiths Medical, Smiths Interconnect and Flex-Tek. Our businesses are highly competitive, with strong technology positions, and operate in sectors with excellent opportunities for growth. We bring technology to life.



Smiths Detection



With governments seeking more advanced ways to counter terror threats, our world leading X-ray screening equipment is continuously evolving to help keep passengers safe across the globe.

John Crane



In the petrochemical industry, our advanced mechanical seals are deployed on oil and gas pipelines and refineries, helping to deliver energy efficiently to millions of homes and businesses around the world.

Smiths Medical



In healthcare, our products help prevent needlestick injuries and reduce the risk of cross infections, while our revolutionary medication delivery equipment helps to ease patients' pain and prevent accidental overdoses.

Smiths Interconnect



In communications, our sophisticated technology helps to keep people and systems connected and protected.

Flex-Tek



Our engineered components heat and move fluids in a wide range of different industries from aircraft and racing cars to medical devices

Corporate strengths

- Global quality brands recognised by our customers
- Markets with long-term underlying defensive qualities
 - Security, energy, communication and healthcare
- Product engineering: practical application of advanced proprietary technology
- Lean and global manufacturing capability
- Low capital intensity and high operating cash conversion
- Strong relationships with blue chip customer base and governments





















Opportunities to create value – key steps

Restructuring



Restructuring initiatives are already delivering savings

- Planned £47m annualised savings
- £8m delivered to date

Better systems



Made good progress with the deployment of better business systems

SKU review



Portfolio profitability review in Medical is underway - informed decision to exit diabetes

Procurement



Opportunities for procurement savings through leveraging scale



Opportunities to create value – key steps

Acquisitions



Extended our portfolio and presence through ten acquisitions

Five in Asia Pacific

Increased R&D



Increased R&D to drive future growth

Targets/ incentives



Established medium-term divisional targets and new incentive scheme

Financing

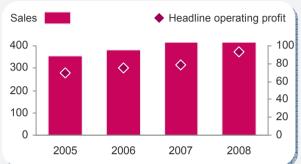


Successful issue of long-term debt capital extends debt maturity



Smiths Detection: A global leader with strong technology

2008
22% of Sales
£509m
Operating profit
£93m



Long-term market drivers:

Threats, legislation and new technologies

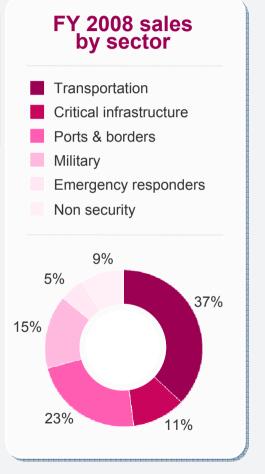
Investing 6.5% of sales on R&D

- New product launches mm wave body screening
- Veterinary diagnostics tool

Recent trends:

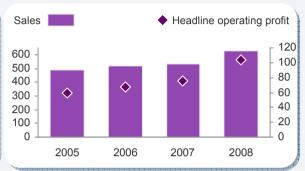
- Airports continued growth in US; slower elsewhere
- Ports & borders sharp decline; tender activity high
- Military strong growth; record year

Restructured and Chief Operating Officer appointed



John Crane: A strong global brand and business model

2008 27% of Sales £626m Operating profit £104m



Long-term market drivers:

• Demand for energy; aftermarket services

Expansion of global network of service centres

Middle East and Asia Pacific

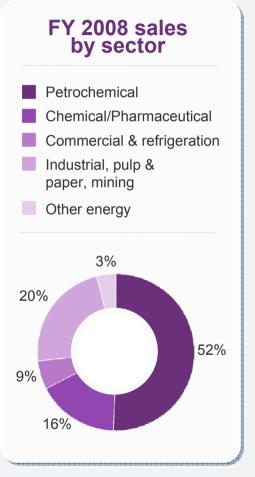
Bolt-on acquisitions expanding portfolio

· Bearings, filters, upstream energy

Restructuring programme on track

• £25m of annualised savings due

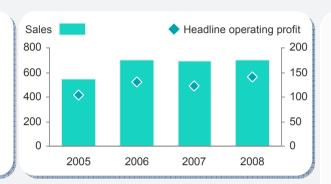
- Continued organic sales growth
- OEM order book softened since January





Smiths Medical: Driven by demographics and technology







- Medication Delivery
- Vital Care
- Safety Devices

Long-term market drivers:

· Ageing populations and disposable income

Investing 3.4% of sales on R&D:

New product launches – CADD Solis

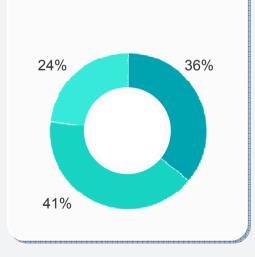
Supply chain improvements

Customer back orders at five year low

Portfolio rationalisation programme:

Target 3,000 low margin, low volume SKUS

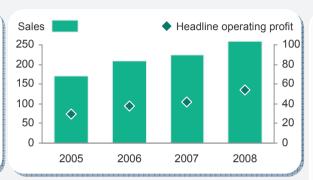
- Pressure on hospital capital budgets
- 80% of sales from disposables better performance





Smiths Interconnect: Good growth from military; wireless slower

2008 11% of Sales £261m Operating profit £54m





49%

17%

6%

28%

Long-term market drivers:

- Military spend on communications
- Wireless subscribers and infrastructure upgrades

Bolt-on acquisitions in Asia Pacific:

Three acquisitions in past year to support wireless

Manufacturing in low cost markets:

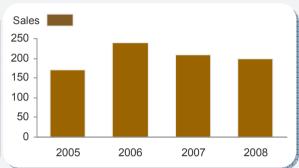
- Operations opened in Tunisia, India
- Existing base in China, Mexico and Costa Rica

- Continued growth from military programmes
- Wireless and other sectors slower



Flex-Tek: Leveraged for a recovery in US housing







- US residential construction and GDP
- Aerospace

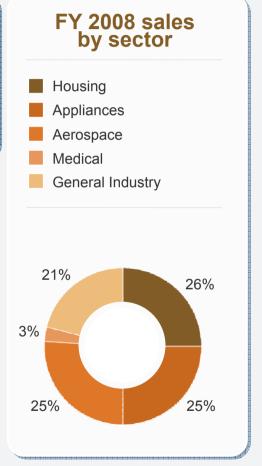
Restructuring programme:

- Closed two manufacturing sites
- £3m savings delivered to date total £7m due

Expanded presence in Asia:

· China, Philippines and India

- Continued weakness in US housing and appliances
- Aerospace performing better





Smiths Group: Opportunities to create value

Portfolio well-placed to withstand pressures of a downturn

Expand margins through a programme of self-help

Deliver restructuring programmes to improve margins

Upgrading our business systems to drive faster data-based decisions

Revenue growth opportunities – focus on innovation, developing markets

Investing in targeted R&D

Growing our technology and reach through bolt-on acquisitions





Questions









