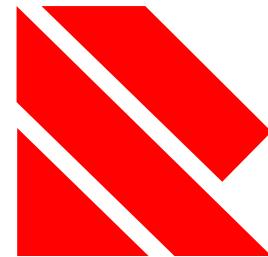


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Expanding pharma operations

**Italian Small & Mid Caps Day
Helsinki, 29 November, 2004**

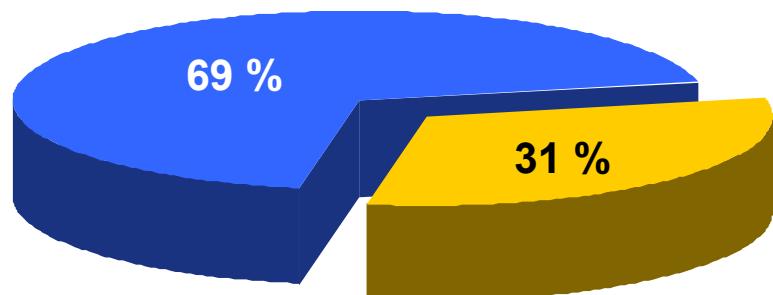
Company profile

- A fully integrated pharmaceutical company listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 1984
- Original research focused on cardiovascular and urological fields
- Direct operations in Italy, France and Spain covering a broad range of therapeutic areas
- Proprietary products sold worldwide through licensees
- Non-core activity: manufacturing and sales of pharmaceutical API's



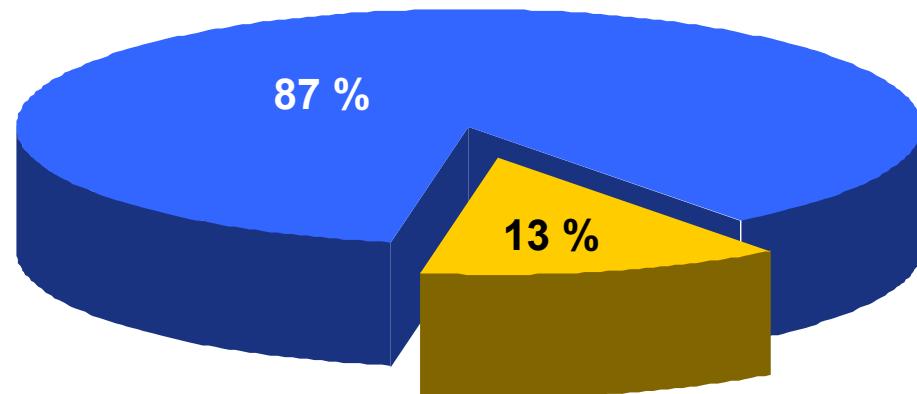
Composition of sales

1999 (€ 272 m)



- █ Pharmaceuticals
- █ Pharmaceutical chemicals

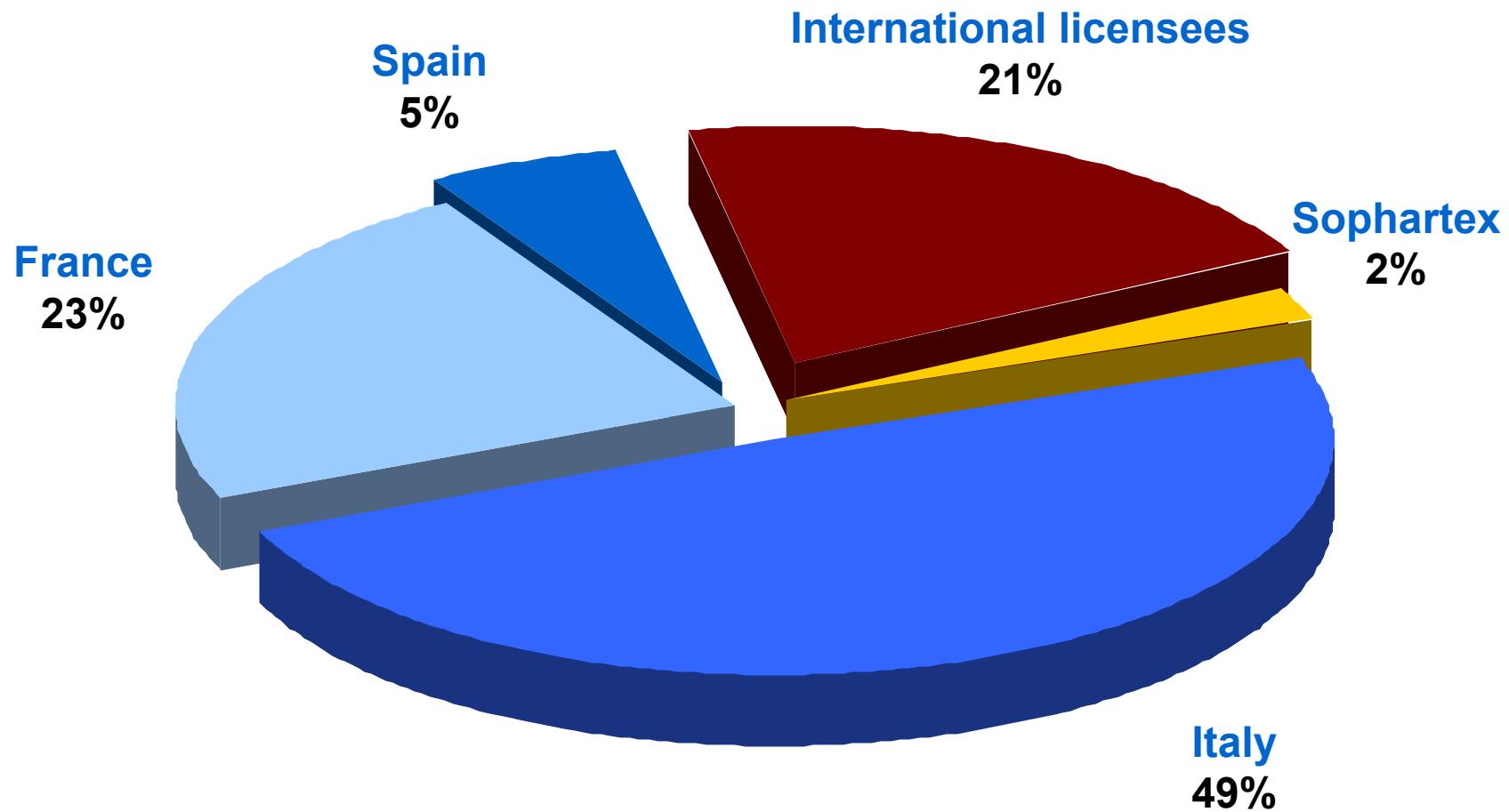
2003 (€ 488 m)



CAGRs from 1999 to 2003

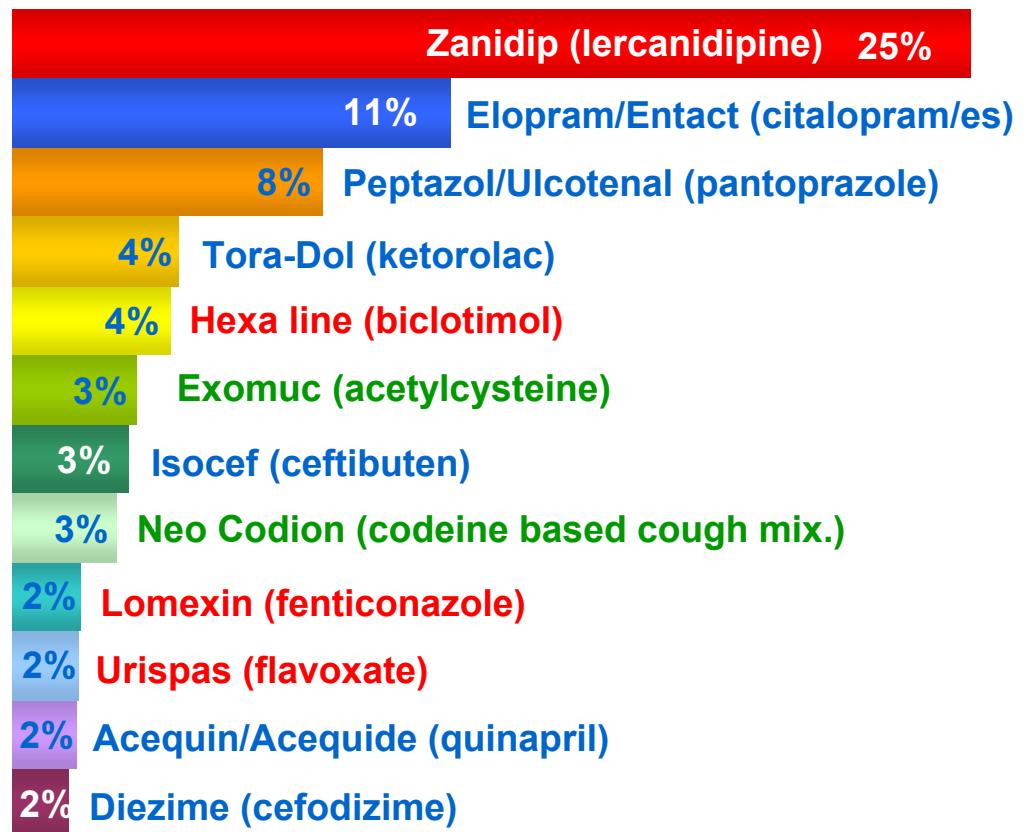
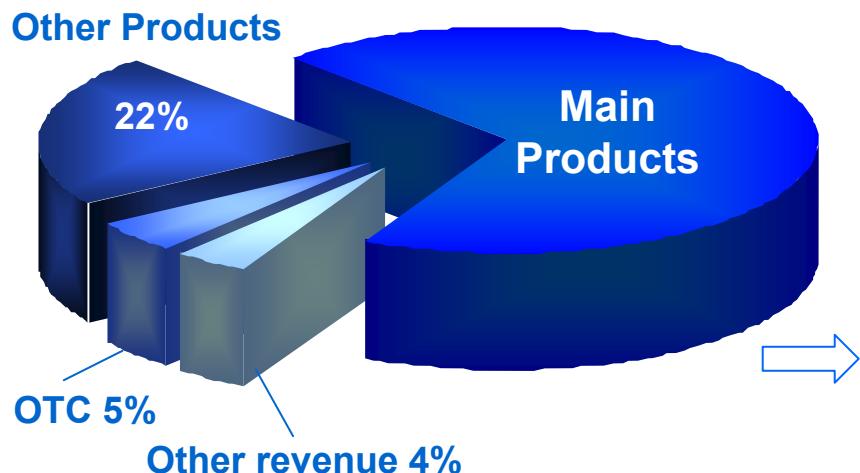


Breakdown of first nine months 2004 pharmaceutical sales



Main products

Breakdown of 12 months pharmaceutical sales at September 2004
($\text{€ } 442 \text{ m}$)



ZANIDIP® (lercanidipine)

- Next generation calcium-channel blocker and first lipophilic DHP CCB to be filed with the FDA.
- Natural once a day. Potent, long-lasting vasodilatory activity. Highly vasoselective with gradual onset, smooth and uniform blood pressure lowering activity.
- Efficacy as best in class. Significantly improved tolerability over other DHP's.
- Hypertension market worth \$35 billion, CCB's about \$10 billion, of which around two thirds in U.S.A. and Japan.
- Leader is Norvasc® (amlodipine) with over one third market share



Lercanidipine – Roll out status and plan

66 launches

22 additional approvals

19 filings

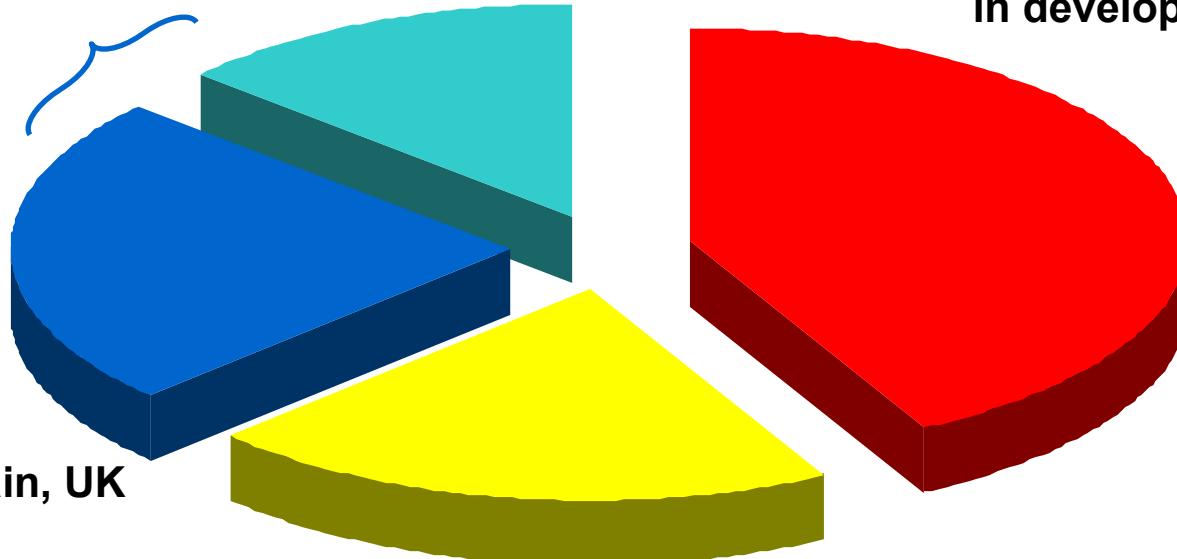
EUROPE

1998 Italy, Spain, UK

2000 Germany

2001 France

ROW



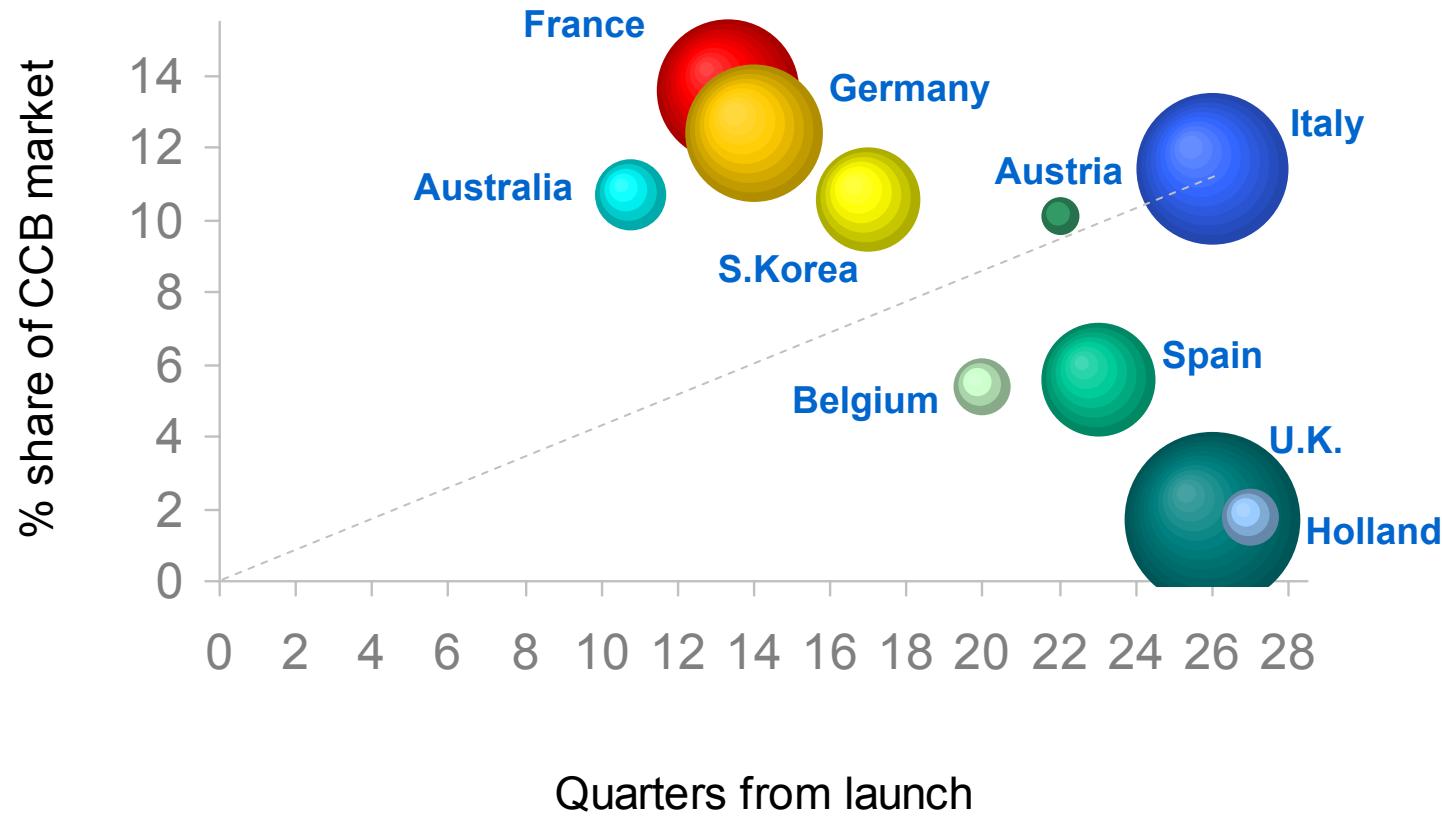
USA

modified release formulation
in development

(Pie slices represent relative market value of calcium channel blockers)

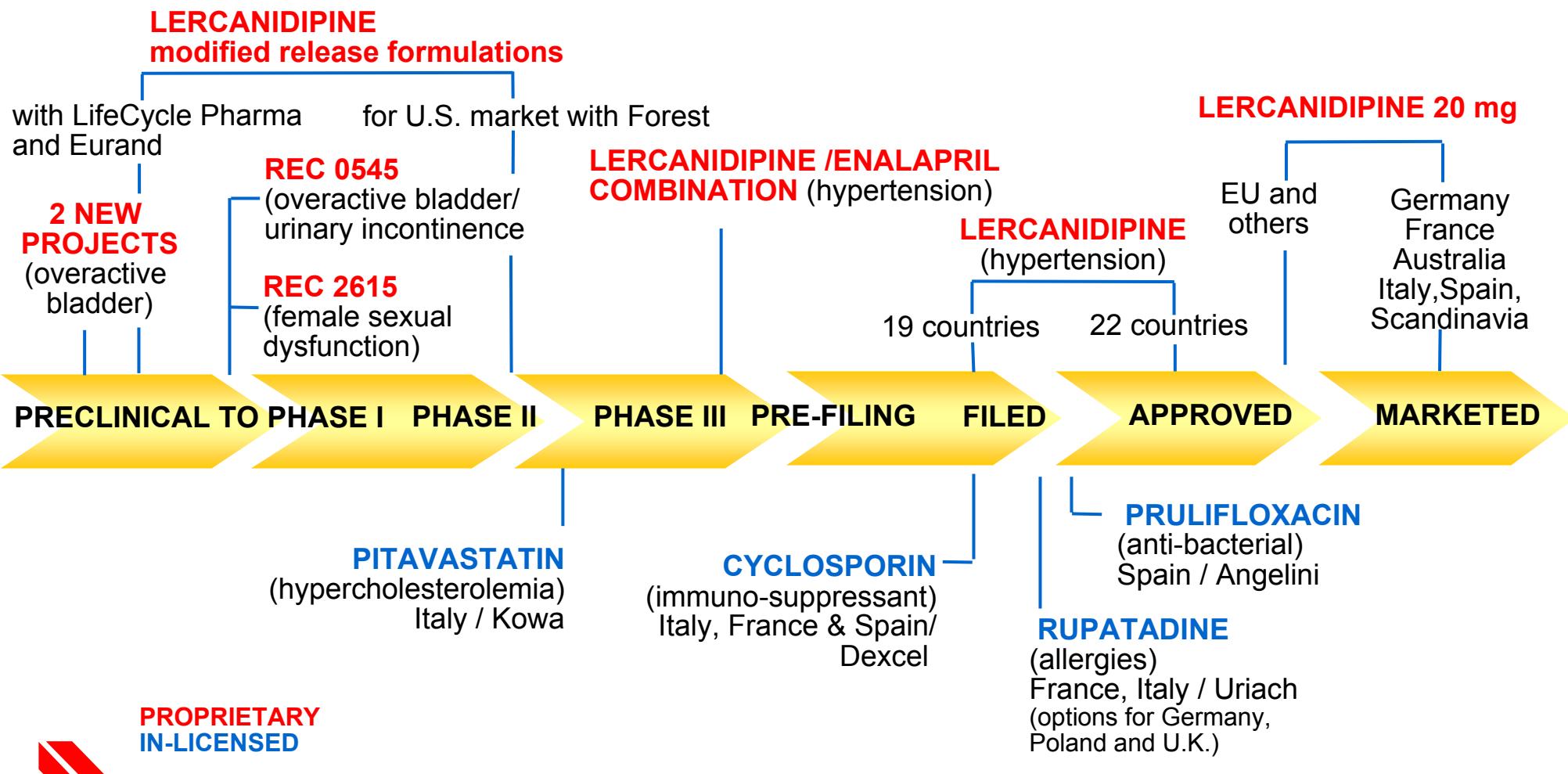
Lercanidipine as a % of all calcium channel blockers

Bubble size represents \$ market value of CCB's



Source: IMS data - 2Q 2004

Product pipeline



Lercanidipine life cycle management

- **Lercanidipine**
 - 20mg strength approved in Europe and other countries. Launched in Germany, France and Australia in 2003, Italy, Spain and Scandinavia in 1Q 2004, roll-out continues
 - Modified release formulation under development with Forest Labs for the U.S. market
 - Agreements with LifeCycle Pharma and Eurand for the development of modified release formulations for the European and other markets
 - Patent life in extension, two new patent applications published
- **Lercanidipine-enalapril fixed combination**
 - New aggressive targets for blood pressure control
 - Combination of drugs needed for most patients
 - Patient compliance
 - Fixed combinations will play a significant role in the future hypertension market
 - Phase III nearing completion, filing in EU expected at end 2004



Ongoing R&D

- **Urology**
 - REC 0545, a 5HT1A receptor antagonist for the treatment of unstable bladder. Proof of concept clinical program in progress
 - REC 2615, in development for the treatment of female sexual dysfunction, approaching clinical phases
 - Two new discovery projects for novel compounds with potential for the treatment of micturition disorders

Rec 0545

- Rec 0545 is endowed with a potent and selective antagonistic effect at 5-HT_{1A} receptor
- Shows remarkable activity in increasing bladder volume capacity (or time between micturitions) without blunting bladder contractility (differently from antimuscarinics/anticholinergics)
- A completely new approach for controlling overactive bladder

Operational highlights first nine months 2004

- Pharmaceutical sales up 5.9%, or 10.5% excluding Sophartex
- International pharmaceutical sales up 16.0%
- Lercanidipine sales up 30.4%
- EBIT up 15.3% and net income up 34.0%
- New product licenses
- \$ 100 million funding from U.S. private placement

First nine months composition of sales

(million euro)	2003	2004	Change %
PHARMACEUTICALS	308.0 86.4%	326.1 89.7%	5.9%
PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMICALS	48.6 13.6%	37.3 10.3%	(23.1)%
TOTAL	356.6 100.0%	363.4 100.0%	1.9%
ITALY	158.6 44.5%	164.8 45.4%	3.9%
INTERNATIONAL	198.0 55.5%	198.6 54.6%	0.3%

Sources of growth

(% change, first nine months 2004
over first nine months 2003)

	Volume	Price	Exchange	Total
PHARMACEUTICALS excluding Sophartex	12.8 %	(1.9) %	(0.4) %	10.5 %
SOPHARTEX	(64.0) %	-	-	(64.0) %
PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMICALS	(19.4) %	(0.7) %	(3.0) %	(23.1) %
TOTAL CHANGE	4.2 %	(1.6) %	(0.7) %	1.9 %

First nine months composition of pharmaceutical sales

(million euro)	2003	2004	Change %
Pharmaceuticals Italy	151.8	160.2	5.6%
Pharmaceuticals France	65.4	74.1	13.3%
Pharmaceuticals Spain	15.8	18.0	13.7%
International licensees	55.8	66.9	19.7%
Sophartex *	19.2	6.9	(64.0)%
TOTAL PHARMACEUTICALS	308.0	326.1	5.9%
<i>Excluding Sophartex</i>	288.9	319.2	10.5%

* Sold in April and consolidated only in 1Q 2004

First nine months lercanidipine sales

(million euro)	2003	2004	Change %
Italy	24.3	28.9	19.3%
France	10.5	16.8	58.8%
Spain	3.2	3.6	12.2%
DIRECT SALES	38.0 57.0%	49.3 56.7%	29.7%
SALES TO LICENSEES	28.6 43.0%	37.6 43.3%	31.4%
TOTAL LERCANIDIPINE SALES	66.6 100.0%	86.9 100.0%	30.4%

First nine months results

(million euro)	2003	2004	Change %
Net Sales	356.6	363.4	1.9%
Gross Profit as % of sales	209.2 58.6%	226.7 62.4%	8.4%
Selling Expenses as % of sales	109.0 30.5%	117.2 32.3%	7.6%
R&D Expenses as % of sales	24.9 7.0%	26.7 7.3%	7.5%
EBITDA as % of sales	76.8 21.5%	80.9 22.3%	5.4%
EBIT as % of sales	56.0 15.7%	64.6 17.8%	15.3%
Net Income as % of sales	30.0 8.4%	40.2 11.1%	34.0%

First nine months EBIT by business area

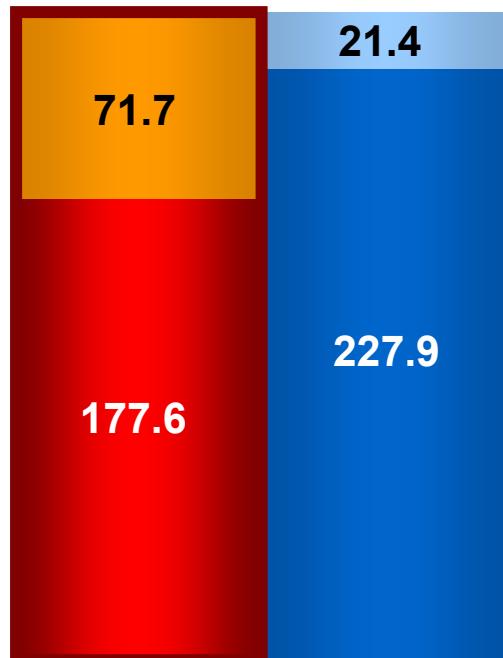
(million euro)	2003	2004	Change %
PHARMACEUTICALS as % of sales	59.1 19.2%	63.6 19.5%	7.5%
PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMICALS as % of sales*	(3.1) (5.5)%	1.0 2.2%	n.s.
TOTAL EBIT as % of sales	56.0 15.7%	64.6 17.8%	15.3%

* Including inter-company sales

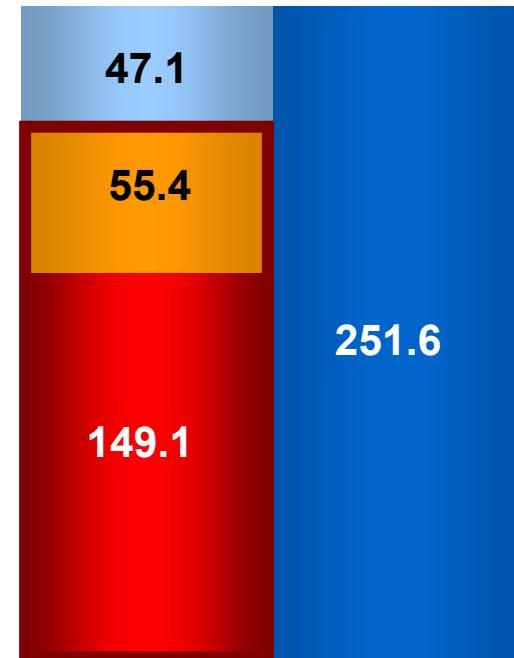
Capital employed

(million euro)

31 December 2003



30 September 2004



Capital employed: **249.3**

Capital employed: **204.5**

First nine months cash flow

(million euro)	2003	2004
Net income	30.0	40.2
Depreciation of fixed assets	12.4	9.3
Amortization of intangible assets	8.3	7.0
Cash Flow from Operations	50.7	56.5
Change in working capital	(2.9)	14.4
Changes in non-current items	1.5	(5.3)
Net investments in fixed assets	(11.7)	4.8
Net investments in intangible assets	(3.7)	(3.8)
Free Cash Flow	33.9	66.6
Dividend paid	(18.3)	(18.4)
Purchase of treasury stock	(2.9)	-

Plan 2004 – 2007

(million euro)

SALES

2004

2007

CAGR

475

550

5.0%

EBIT

85

106

7.5%

NET INCOME

50

66

10%

Assumptions:

- Current geography
- Excluding Sophartex sold in April 2004
- Excluding any sales of lercanidipine in either Japan or the U.S.
- Excluding acquisitions in other EU markets

Company strategy

- Confirm commitment to research and development in the urological and cardiovascular fields
- Acquire new product licenses
- Expand geographical presence in Europe

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