

William Demant



Capital Market Days 2016

Opening remarks

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Curriculum

- Born in 1957
- M.Sc. in Economics from Aarhus University
- Part of the executive management in William Demant since 1992
- President & CEO of William Demant since 1998

Board positions

- LEGO (Chairman)
- KIRKBI (Deputy Chairman)
- Maersk Group (Deputy Chairman)
- Össur (Chairman)
- Directorships in a number of Group-owned subsidiaries



Our Capital Market Days

What to expect

- A thorough insight into
 - The hearing healthcare market
 - Our hearing healthcare ambition and strategy
 - Each of our key business areas presented by the responsible business owner
 - Selected technologies and products
- An active and constructive Q&A dialogue between participants and William Demant
- A continuation of our IR communication including
 - Unchanged outlook for 2016
 - We do not provide long-term financial targets

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Agenda

10:30	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Niels Jacobsen</i>
11:00	Hearing healthcare <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Søren Nielsen</i>
12:00	Lunch
13:00	Hearing Devices (wholesale and retail) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Søren Nielsen and Niels Wagner</i>
14:30	Coffee break
15:00	Diagnostic Instruments <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Arne Boye Nielsen</i>
15:45	Sennheiser Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Jeppe Dalberg-Larsen</i>
16:30	Q&A
19:00	Drinks and dinner, restaurant Orangeriet

Q1 2016 key messages

Revenue growth in all business activities



- Strong unit growth and lower ASPs in the wholesale business
- Strong growth in the retail business
- Diagnostic Instruments and Hearing Implants impacted by oil-dependent countries

2016 EBIT skewed further than normal towards H2



- Timing of Oticon Opn™ launch
- Loss on forward exchange contracts in H1
- Seasonality in Hearing Implants

Q1 2016 key messages

2016 outlook maintained

- We expect to see a unit growth rate of 4-5% in the global hearing aid market, which will however be partly offset by a decline in the market's average selling price due to continued mix shifts and fierce competition. In terms of value, we expect to see a slightly positive market trend in 2016.
- We expect to generate growth in sales in all the Group's three business activities: Hearing Devices, Hearing Implants and Diagnostic Instruments.
- Based on exchange rates in early 2016 and including the impact of exchange rate hedging, we expect the exchange rate impact on revenue to be neutral in 2016. Acquisitions made in 2015 will impact consolidated revenue by approximately 6% in 2016.
- In 2016, EBIT is expected to be skewed further than normal towards the second half of the year due to, among other things, the timing of the Oticon Opn™ launch, losses on forward exchange contracts affecting H1 and seasonality in Hearing Implants.
- **We are guiding for an operating profit (EBIT) of DKK 2.0-2.3 billion**



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Thank you



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Leading in hearing healthcare

Søren Nielsen
COO, William Demant



Søren Nielsen

COO (Deputy CEO) of William Demant and President of Oticon

Curriculum

- Born in 1970
- M.Sc. in Industrial Management and Product Development from the Technical University of Denmark
- COO and Deputy CEO since 2015
 - Overall responsible for hearing aid wholesale
- President of Oticon since 2008
- Employed with William Demant since 1995

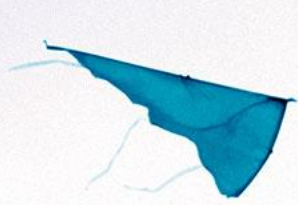
Board positions

- Sennheiser Communication



Agenda

- The hearing healthcare market
- William Demant's strategy
- Position and competition



Introducing the hearing healthcare market



The hearing healthcare market

Hearing Devices

Hearing instruments and accessories



Hearing Implants

Bone-anchored hearing systems and cochlear implants

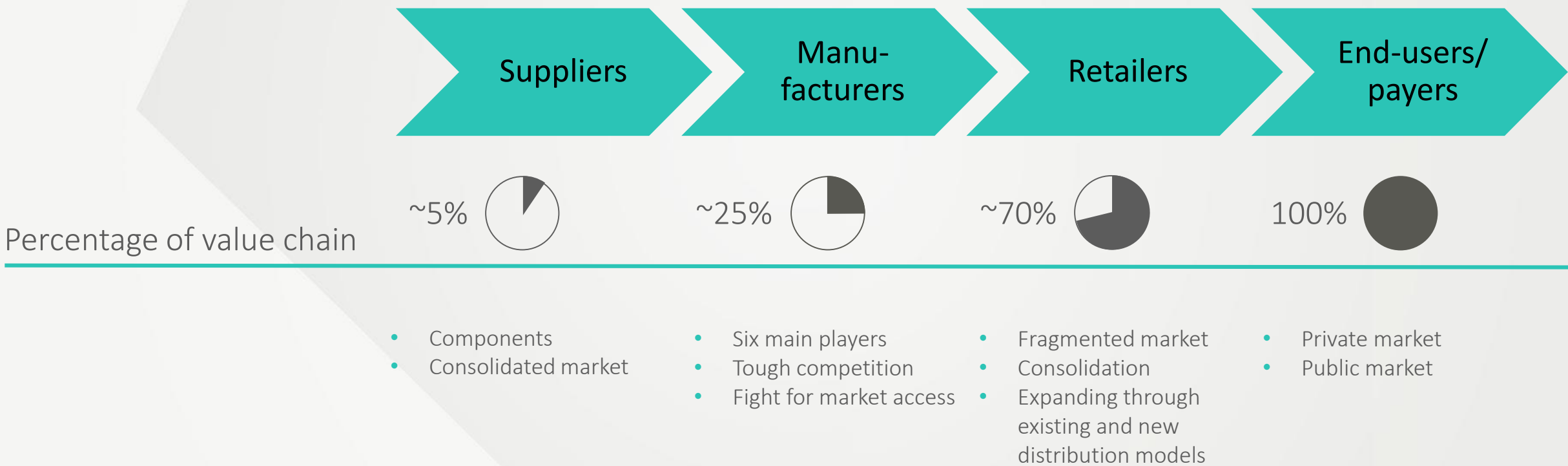


Diagnostic Instruments

Wide range of hearing-related equipment



Hearing devices value chain in commercial market

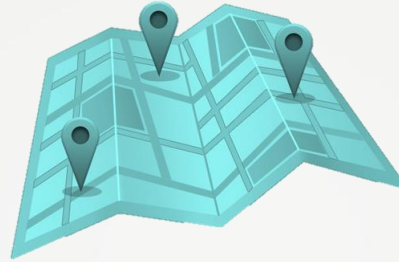


Solid structural growth drivers in hearing devices



Demography

- Growing ageing population
- Increasing life expectancy



Increasing points of sales

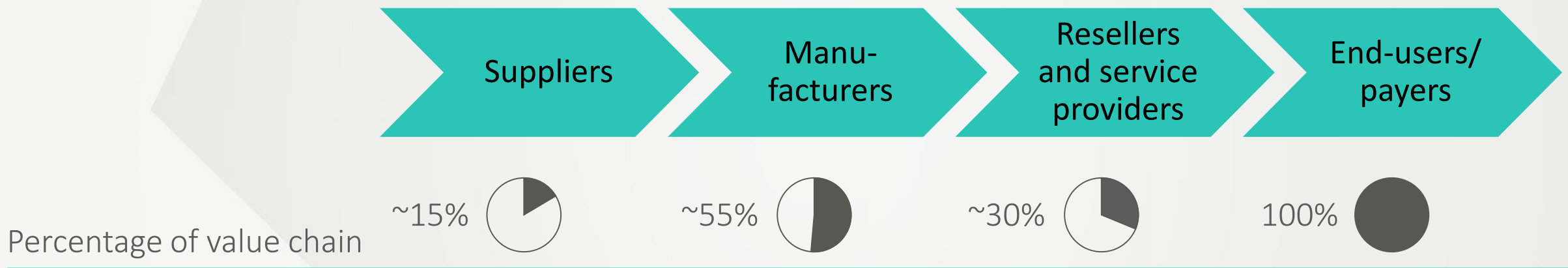
- Greenfield store openings
- New channels being tested with a few showing sustainability
- Increased marketing
- Increased access to reimbursed hearing aids



Emerging markets

- Demography
- Growing penetration rates
- Improved healthcare systems
- Higher average income
- Improving access to hearing aids

Diagnostic instruments value chain



- Components
 - Three large players
 - Critical mass is crucial
 - Wide range of product segments to address
- BtB
 - SIDs
 - Consolidation in main market
- Hearing aid dispensers
 - Hearing clinics etc.
 - Government services
 - ENTs and general practitioners

Positive growth outlook for diagnostic instruments



New business areas

- Balance measurements/diagnostics
- New-born screening
- eHealth



Emerging markets

- Building infrastructure
- Improved healthcare systems
- Higher average income
- Increasing life expectancy

Hearing implants value chain



- Components
- Four competitive players
- Manufacturers in most cases
- Hospitals
- Private clinics
- Reimbursement
- Insurance

Note: Surgeon fees, follow-up costs etc. are not included in the value chain, and the value chain in general differs from country to country

Long-term attractive growth potential in hearing implants



Increasing reimbursement

- Reimbursement schemes are key to growing penetration



Continuous market expansion

- Significant number of new-born who qualify for a hearing implant
- Increased life expectancy
- Converting Super Power users
- Cosmetic benefits could make hearing implant solution more attractive for end-users



New markets

- New indications
- Emerging markets

Attractive value and growth in hearing healthcare

	Market size (value)	Market growth (value)
Hearing Devices	USD 4bn	1-3%
Cochlear Implants	USD 1.4bn	10-12%
Bone Conduction Systems	USD 170m	10-15%
Diagnostic Instruments	USD 500m	3-5%
Hearing Healthcare		~5%*

Above number estimates represent wholesale value

*2015 to 2020 CAGR - growth rates increasing as hearing implants become bigger part of total market

Attractive value and growth in hearing healthcare

- Modest growth in Hearing Devices
- Modest growth in Diagnostic Instruments
- Strong growth in Hearing Implants



Note: Above numbers represent wholesale value



William Demant's strategy



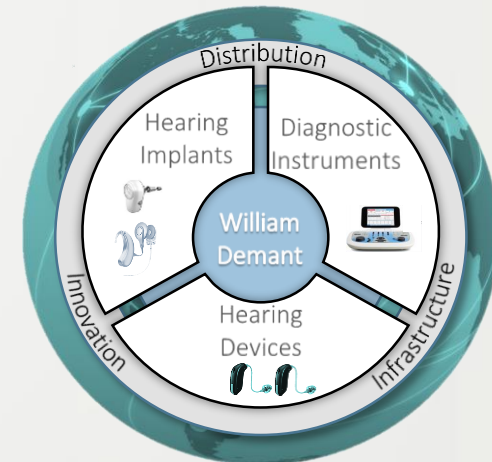
William Demant's overall vision

To make a life-changing difference to people living with hearing loss



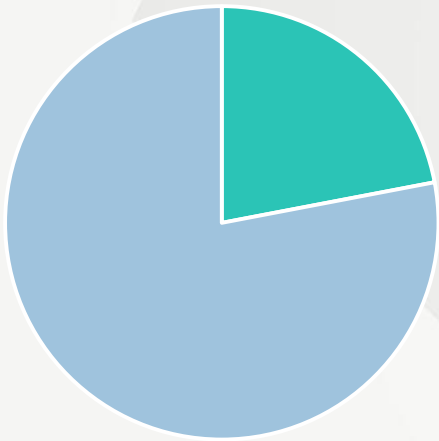
William Demant's overall strategy

We want to further develop our position as a leading hearing healthcare company with the broadest and deepest product offering based on **true innovation** – delivered to customers and end-users through a **multi-brand** approach backed by a comprehensive **global distribution** set-up and efficient **shared services**

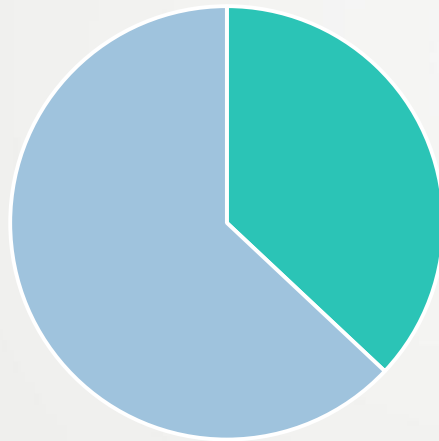


William Demant's value market share

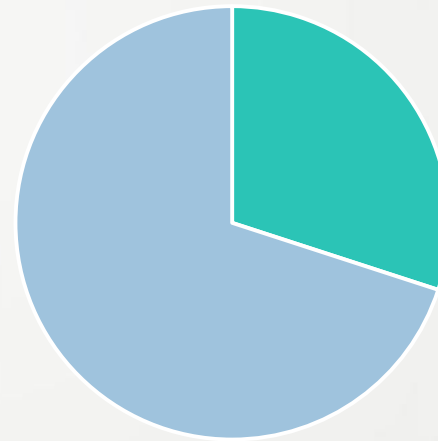
Hearing aid
wholesale



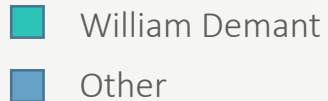
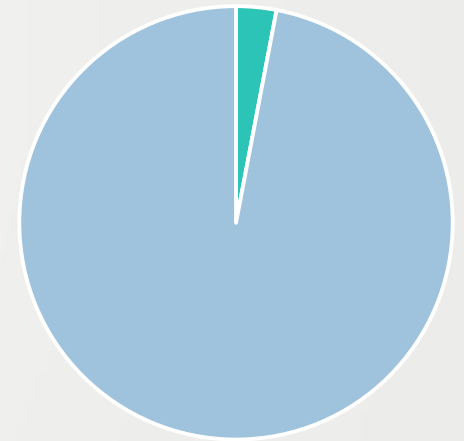
Diagnostic
instruments



Bone-anchored
hearing systems



Cochlear implants



Strategy of delivering profitable long-term growth

Hearing Devices

- Maintain technology leadership
- Multi-brand strategy
- Be present in all channels and segments
- Take measures to expand and develop retail where needed
- Get closer to end-users

Diagnostic Instruments

- Strengthen distribution model
- Pursue new market opportunities
- Generate organic and acquisitive growth
- Push for synergies with related businesses

Hearing Implants

- Maintain insight into and knowledge from acquired companies
- Develop and grow the business by benefitting from William Demant technology and distribution platform

DGS

- New global ERP backbone
- Global approach to operation and supply chain
- Shared services approach across IT, HR and Finance
- Large scale and cost effective operation to ensure competitive unit cost



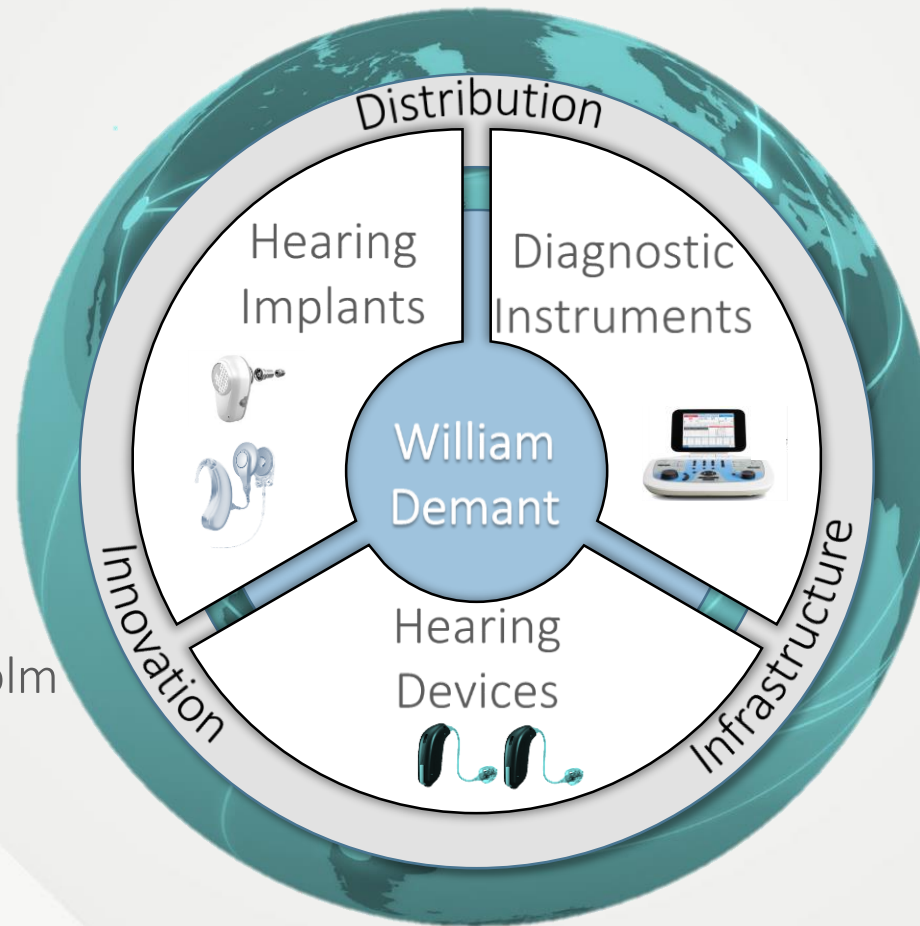
Positioned to grow in all business activities in an efficient way

- Profitable organic growth
- Strategic acquisitions
- Multi-brand approach

Synergies from our hearing healthcare approach

Innovation

- Sharing core platform (DSP, wireless)
- Advanced digital signal processing
- Total fitting flow
- Cross-product integration
- Quality assurance
- Long-term research at Eriksholm
- eHealth



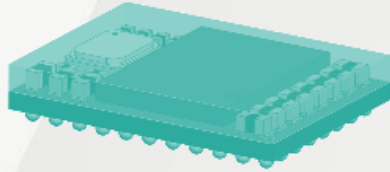
Distribution

- Commercial cross-business synergies
- Lead generation across businesses
- Global distribution platform
- Market insight
- Critical mass in local markets

Infrastructure

- Shared sales companies in more than 30 countries
- Global IT platform serving all business units
- Strong global supply chain
- Strong operational footprint in Poland and Mexico

Real-life synergies



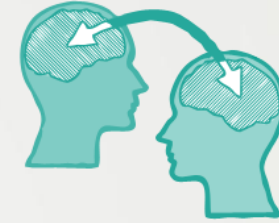
Hearing aid technology in hearing implants

- Leveraging sound processing from hearing aids
 - DSP chip and signal processing in Oticon Medical (CI and BAHS)
 - Ponto fitting system built on back of hearing aid fitting system
- Sharing audiological know-how
- Exploiting purchasing power and in-house development capacity from hearing aids
- Strong synergies in mechanical tool development



Market access for Oticon Medical through existing customer relations

- Existing relationships to ENT doctors through Diagnostic Instruments improve Oticon Medical's position
- Oticon Medical builds on strong Oticon brand legacy

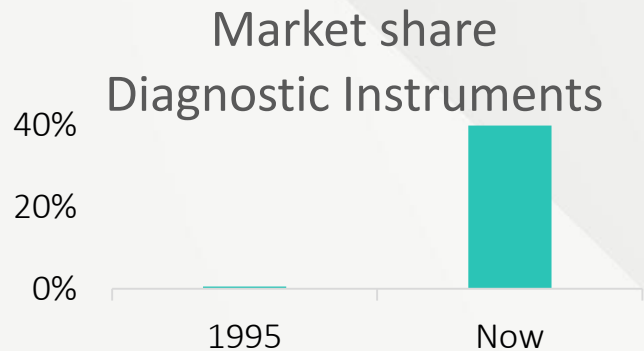


Developing state-of-the-art fitting process

- End-user knowledge from retail
- Product knowledge from wholesale
- Technology knowledge from Diagnostic Instruments
- First live, end-to-end eHealth solution

Strong platform for new growth opportunities

- Through the strategic focus on innovation, distribution and infrastructure, William Demant has built a strong platform on which to execute on additional future growth opportunities
- Diagnostic Instruments and BAHS are both successful additions to William Demant's Hearing Devices business activity
- Cochlear implants hold great commercial potential
































Position and competitive landscape



We have a strong foundation for growth

Offerings		William Demant	sonova	ivantor	ReSound	Starkey	WIDEX	Cochlear	MED-EL	amplion
Hearing aid wholesale										
Cochlear implants										
Bone-conducting systems										
Diagnostic instruments										
Controlling distribution										

 = Relative strength in business segment

Hearing healthcare trends and strategies

Current trends likely to evolve

1. Product complexity continues to rise
2. Modest value growth due to consolidation in retail and increasing competition among manufacturers in zero-sum markets
3. Further expansion of distribution channels and increased complexity
4. Strong growth expected to continue in Hearing Implants
5. Growing direct end-user engagement at wholesale level

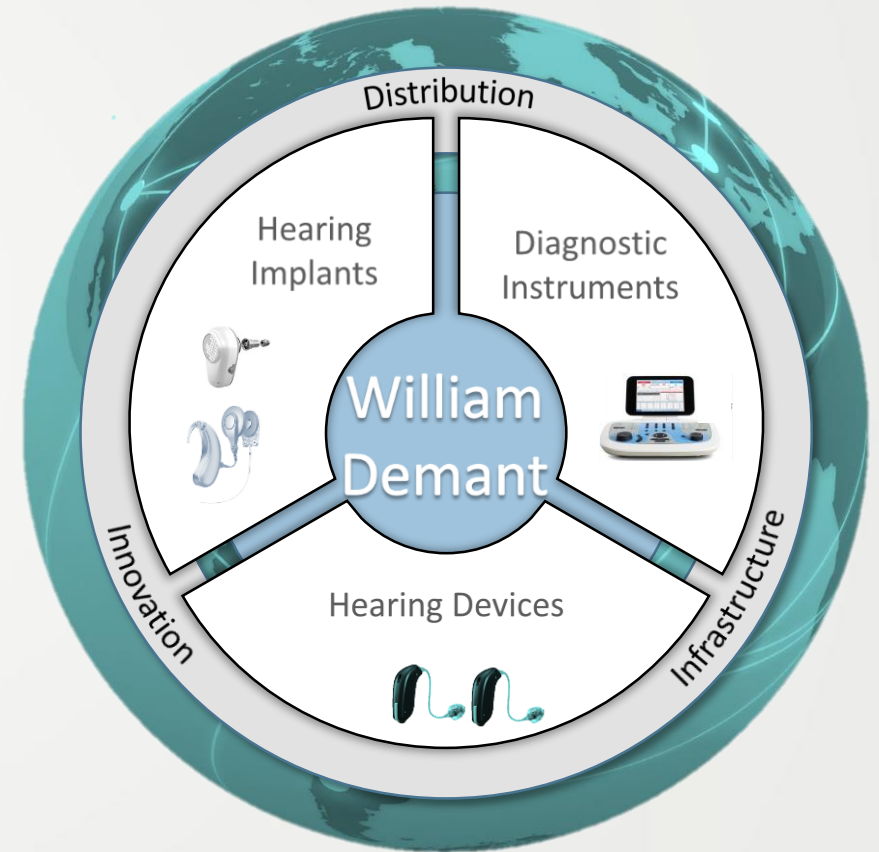
Strategies supporting long-term profit

1. Ever growing and innovative R&D organisation remains king – manufacturers need leverage on R&D spending and size matters
2. Manufacturers experience pressure to lower unit costs, while seeking diversification to obtain synergies and growth – size matters
3. Manufacturers need to be present in all markets and all channels
4. Hearing Implants' attractive growth opportunities hold significant synergies to core hearing aid wholesale cost base
5. Increased focus on effective channels for end-user communication – especially web

William Demant well positioned to win

Diversification is key to success

- William Demant is able to meet high investment requirements and R&D spend
- William Demant is well positioned to benefit from growth in all parts of the hearing healthcare value chain from a broadly based presence
- William Demant has a strong track record when it comes to building new profitable businesses
- William Demant has sufficient size and a strong platform for obtaining internal synergies





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Hearing Devices

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COO, William Demant

Niels Wagner

President of Retail, William Demant

Agenda

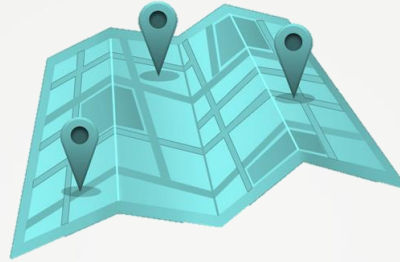
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- Hearing aid wholesale
- Hearing aid retail

Solid structural growth drivers in hearing devices



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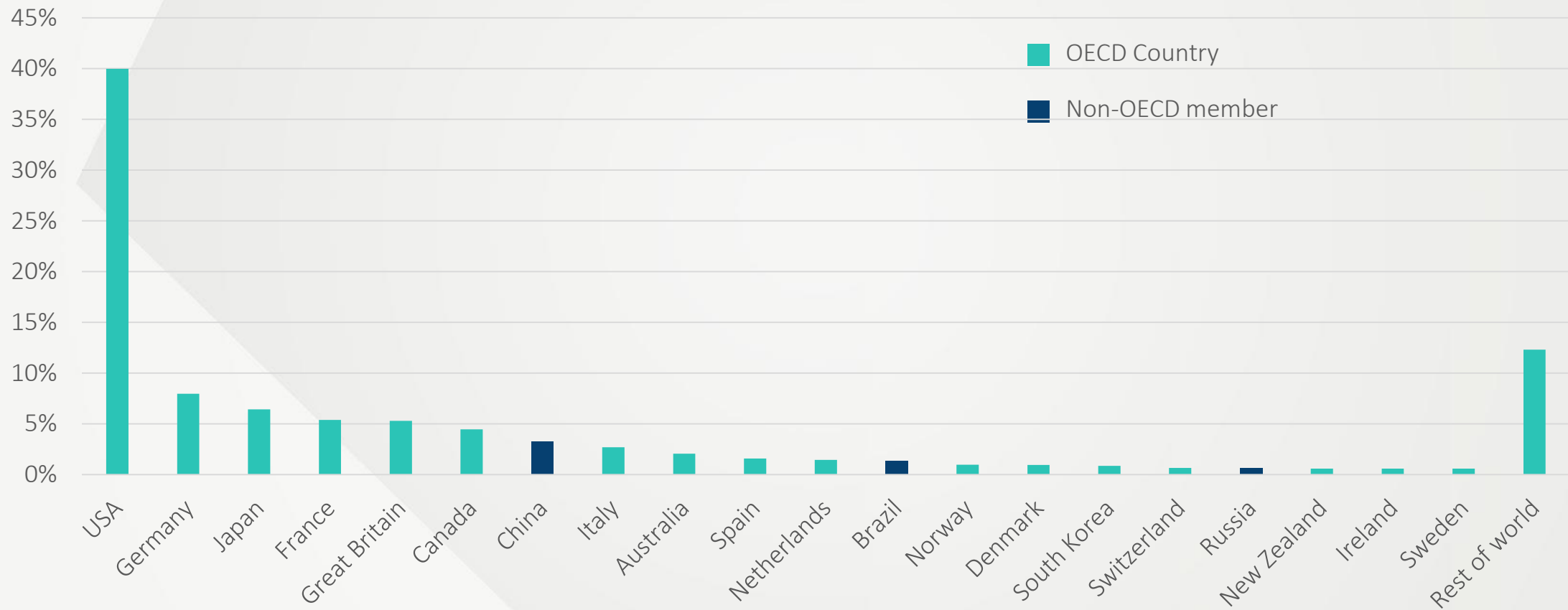


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OECD countries continue to dominate

Market value split



Underlying growth driven by baby boomers

Baby boomers will drive growth for the next 10-15 years

70 years old

Age of the first baby boomers

~69 years old

Average age of first-time user

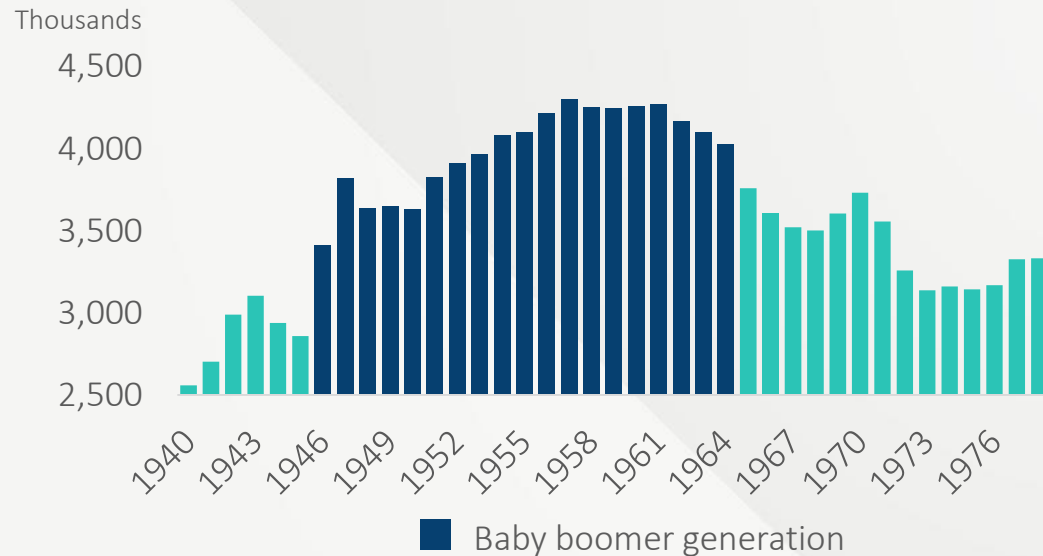
Increasing longevity

We live longer and longer

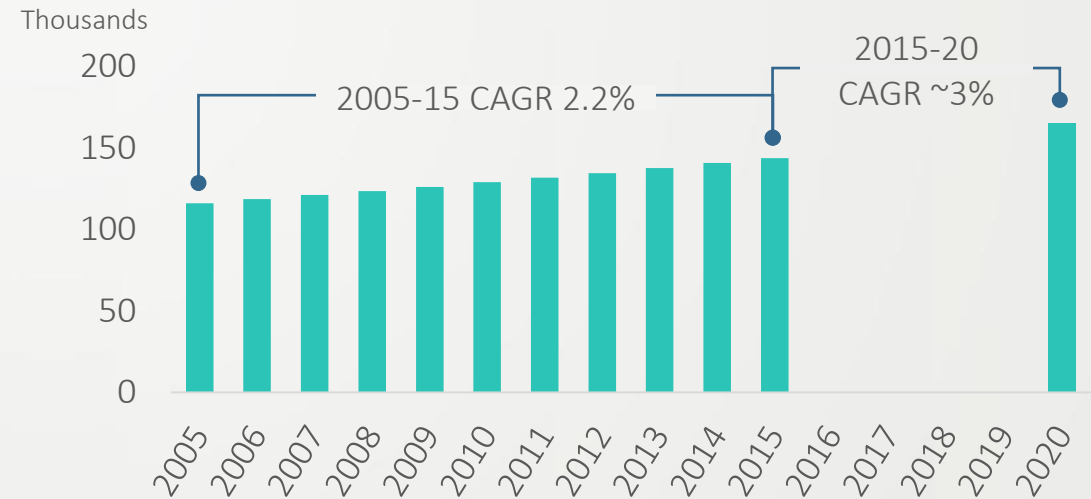
Active and tech-savvy

Characteristics of the baby boomers

US birth rates (1940-1978)

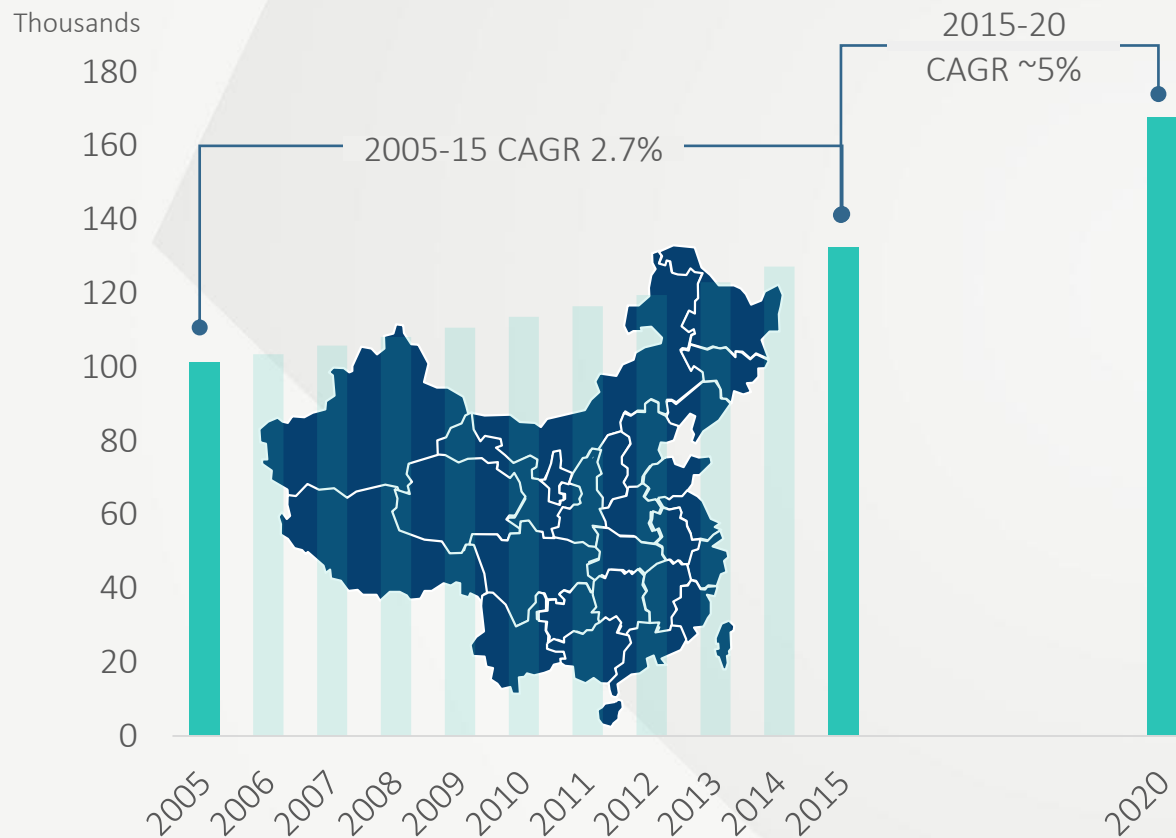


70+ population (OECD countries)

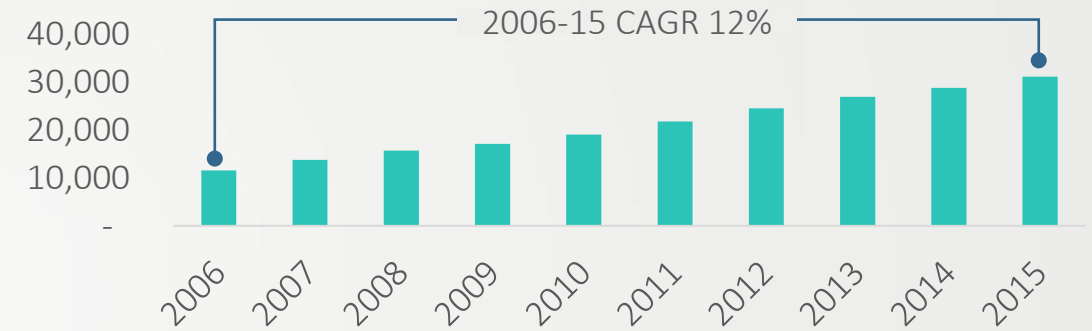


China's emerging senior market

65+ population (China)

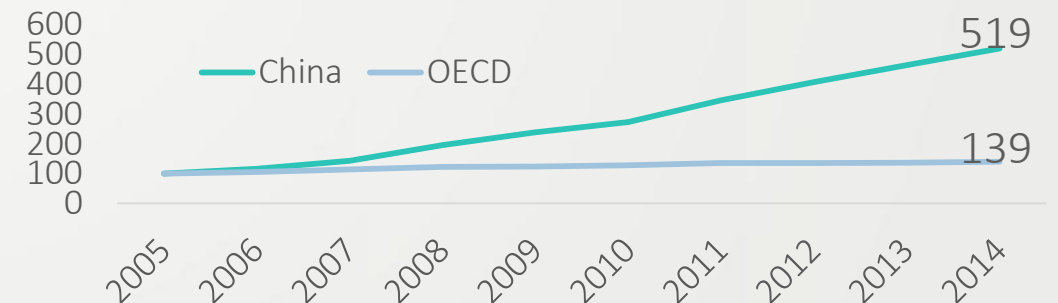


Disposable income per capita (CNY)



Large regional differences (rural vs. urban)

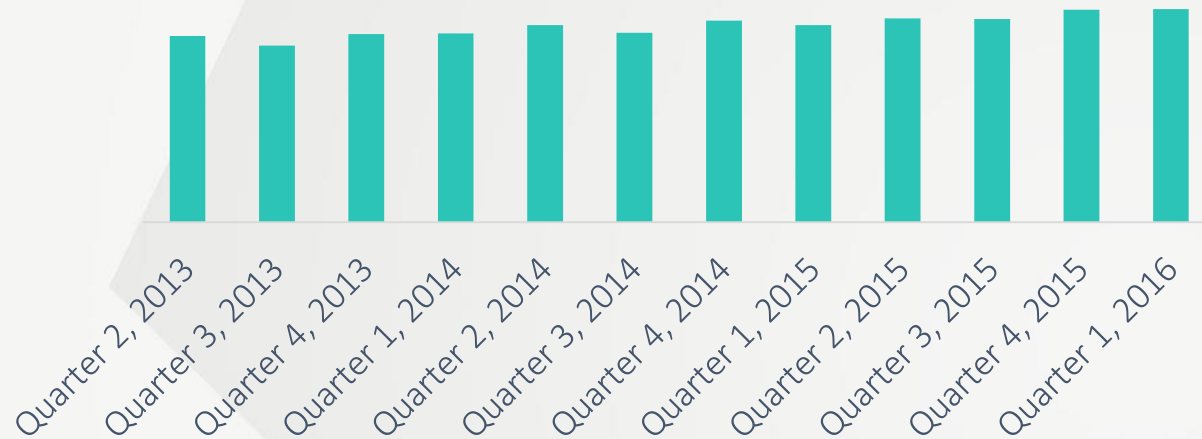
Health expenditure per capita (Index 2005)



OECD still factor >10x (4,746\$ vs 419\$)

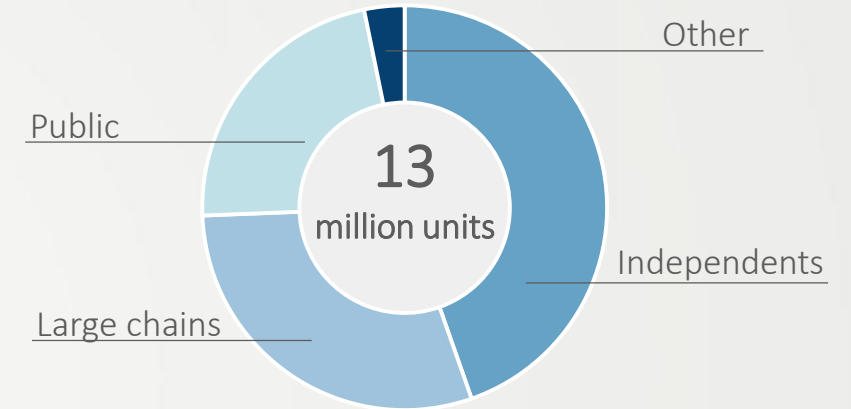
Global market development

Volume development

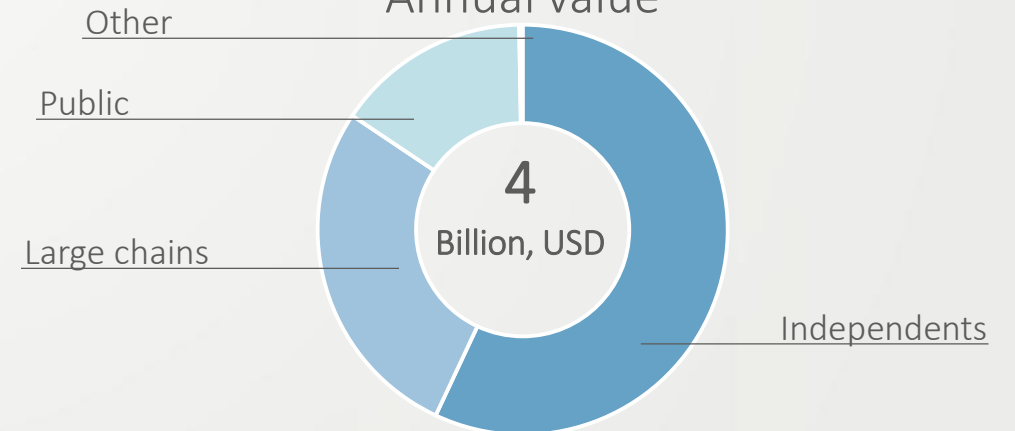


- Stable volume growth with small volatilities
- Slow change in country and channel mix
- Independents continue to grow
 - However stronger and stronger tie-ins

Annual volume

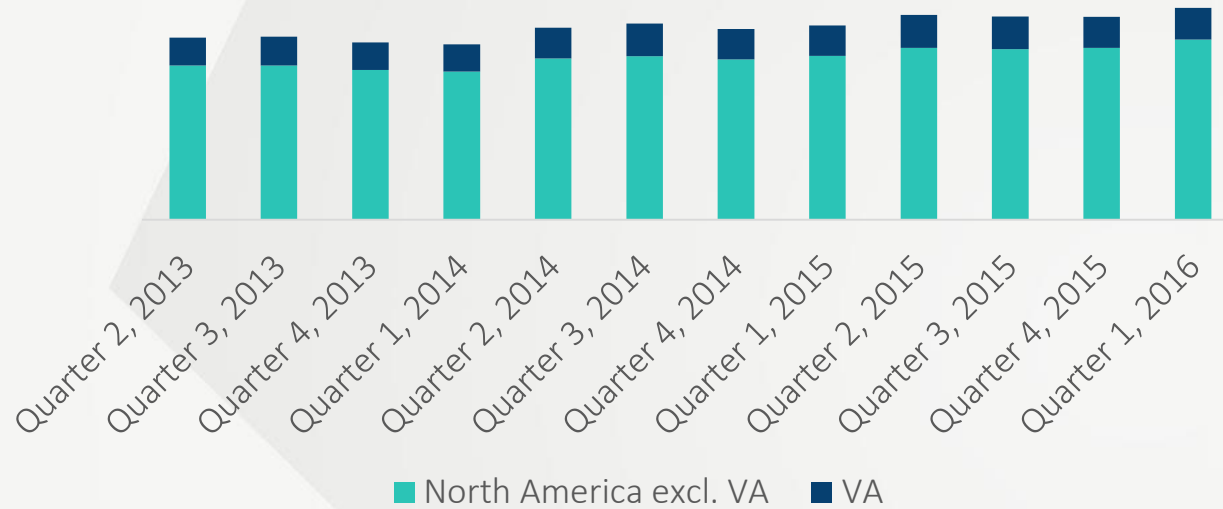


Annual value



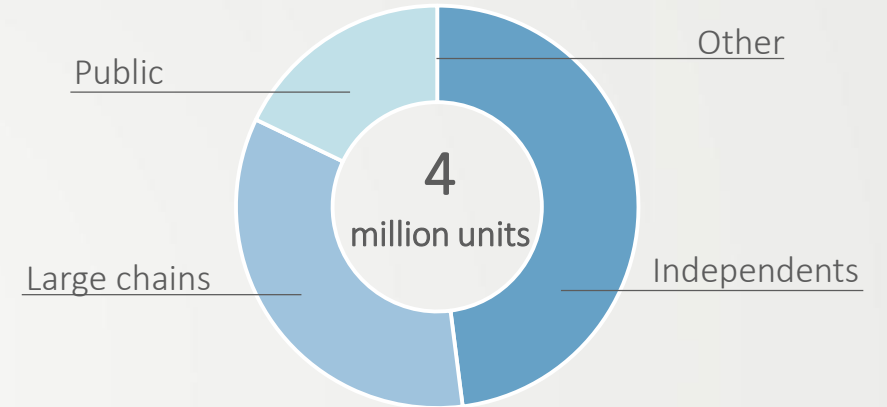
North America market development

Volume development

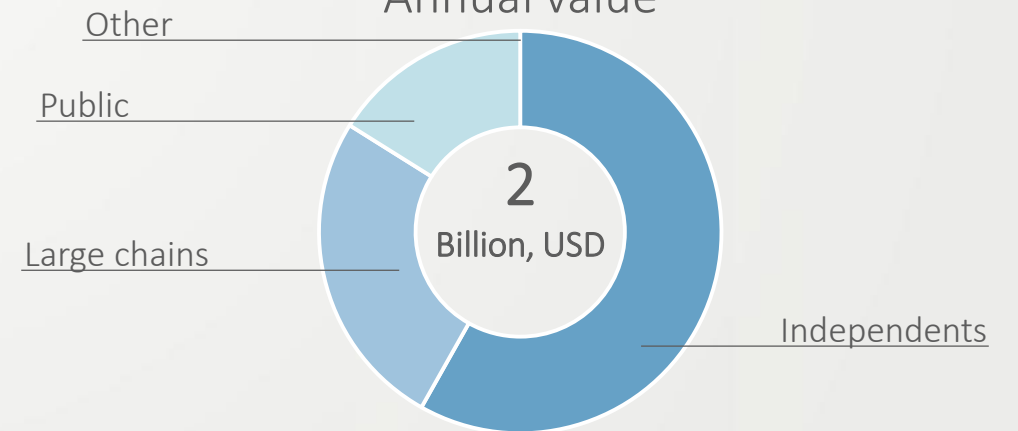


- Major players growing
- Growing number of independents seek support from networks and buying groups
- Average selling prices in wholesale continue to decline due to growth of major players as well as fierce competition

Annual volume

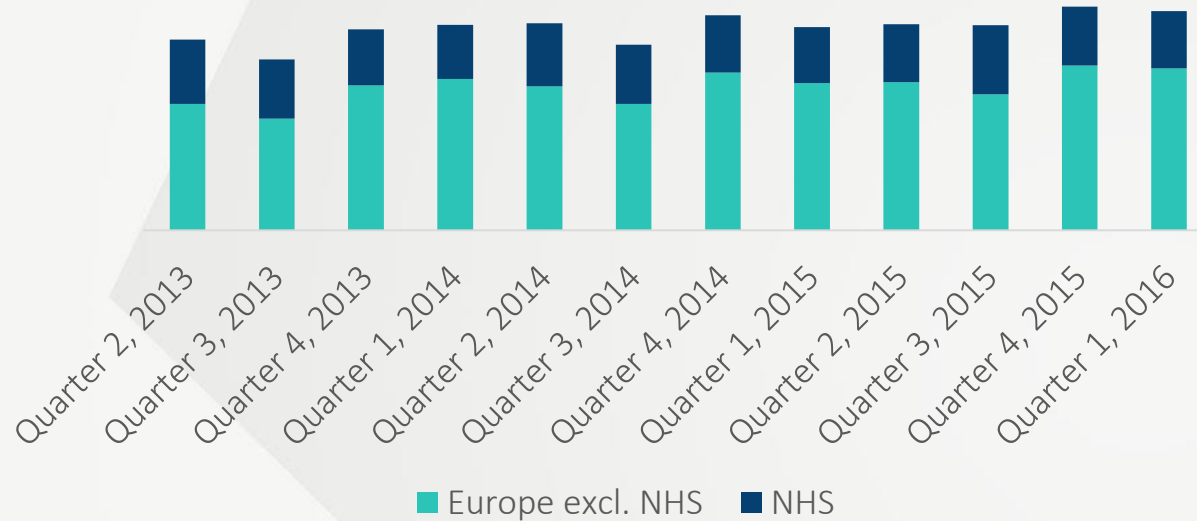


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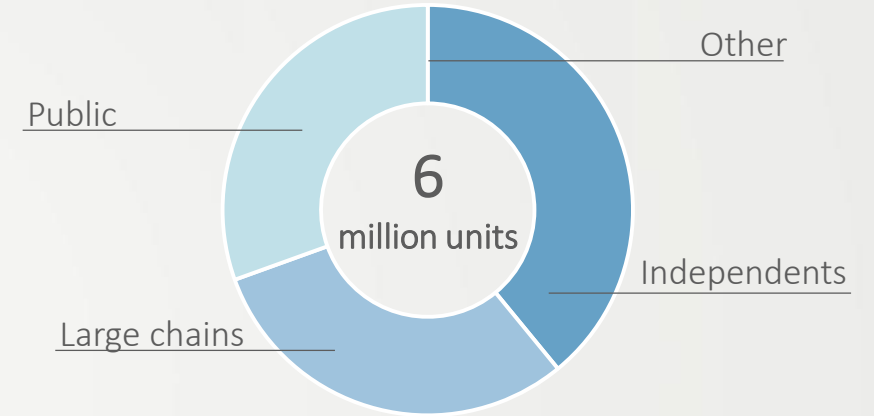
European market development

Volume development

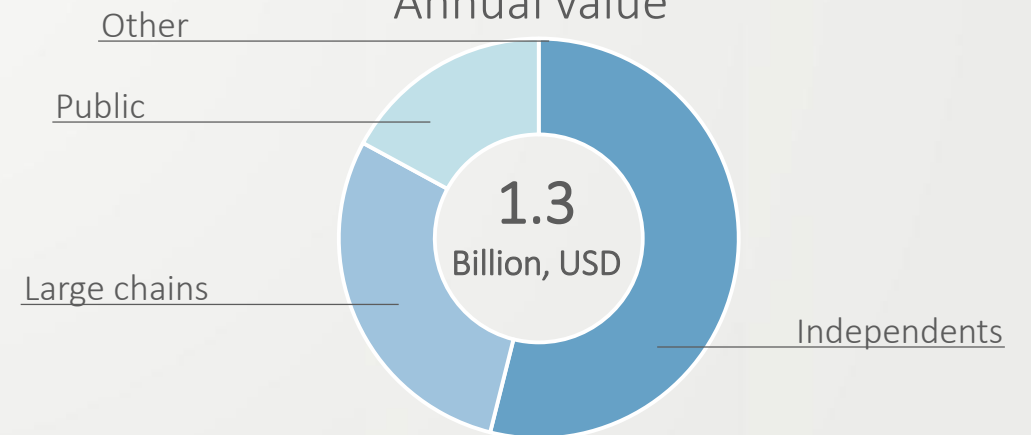


- Germany returning to normal growth rates
- France, Italy and UK maintaining encouraging growth rates
- Scandinavia still developing at a slow pace

Annual volume

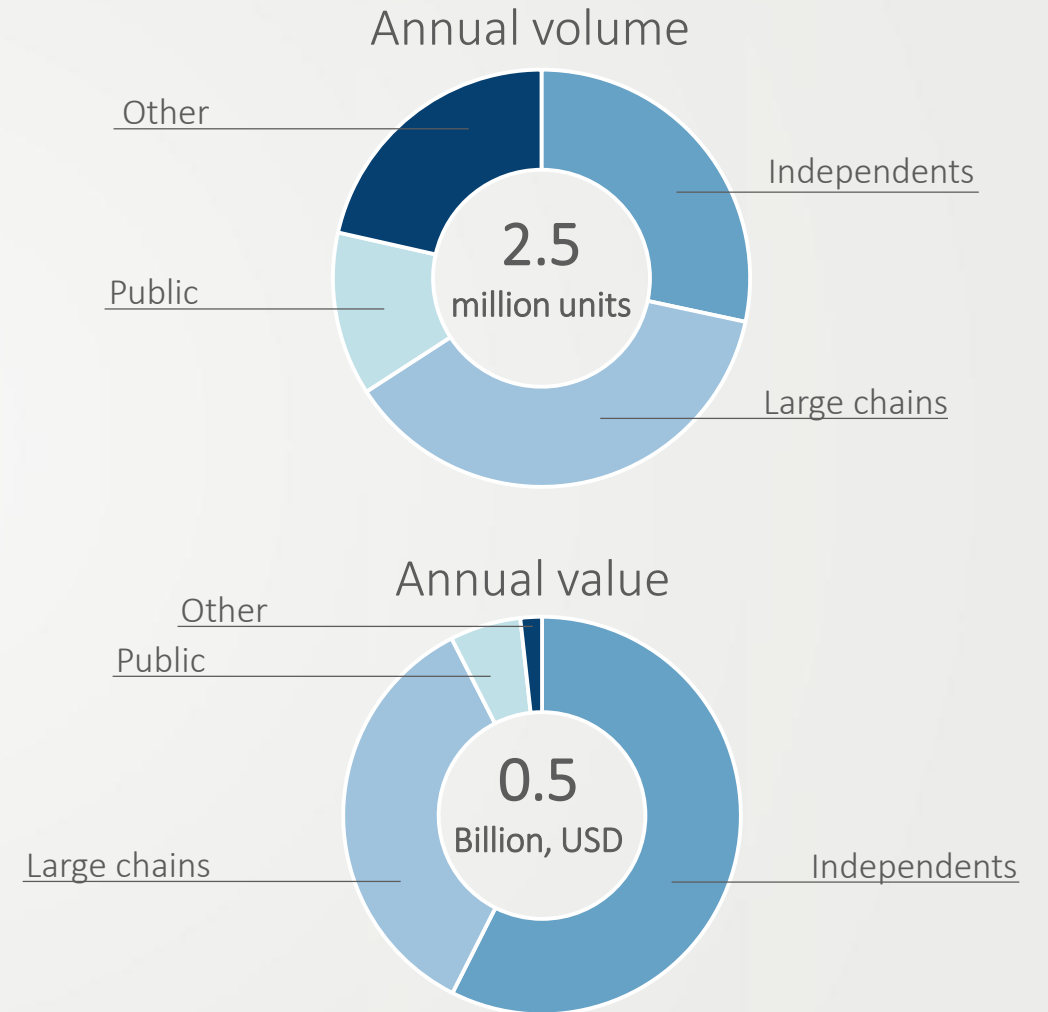


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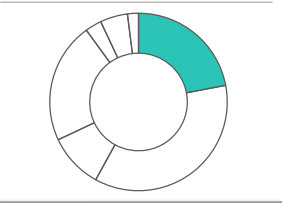
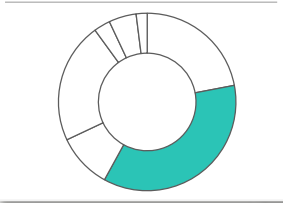
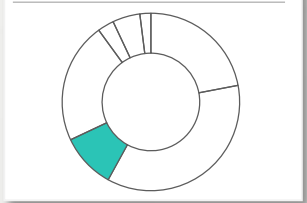
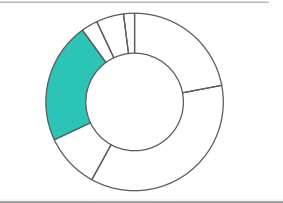
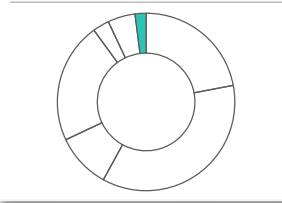
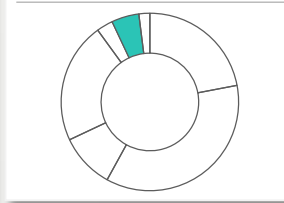
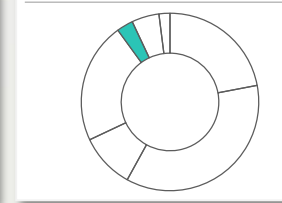


Asia Pacific

- Low penetration in Asia
- Highly unregulated in many markets



Hearing aid distribution channels

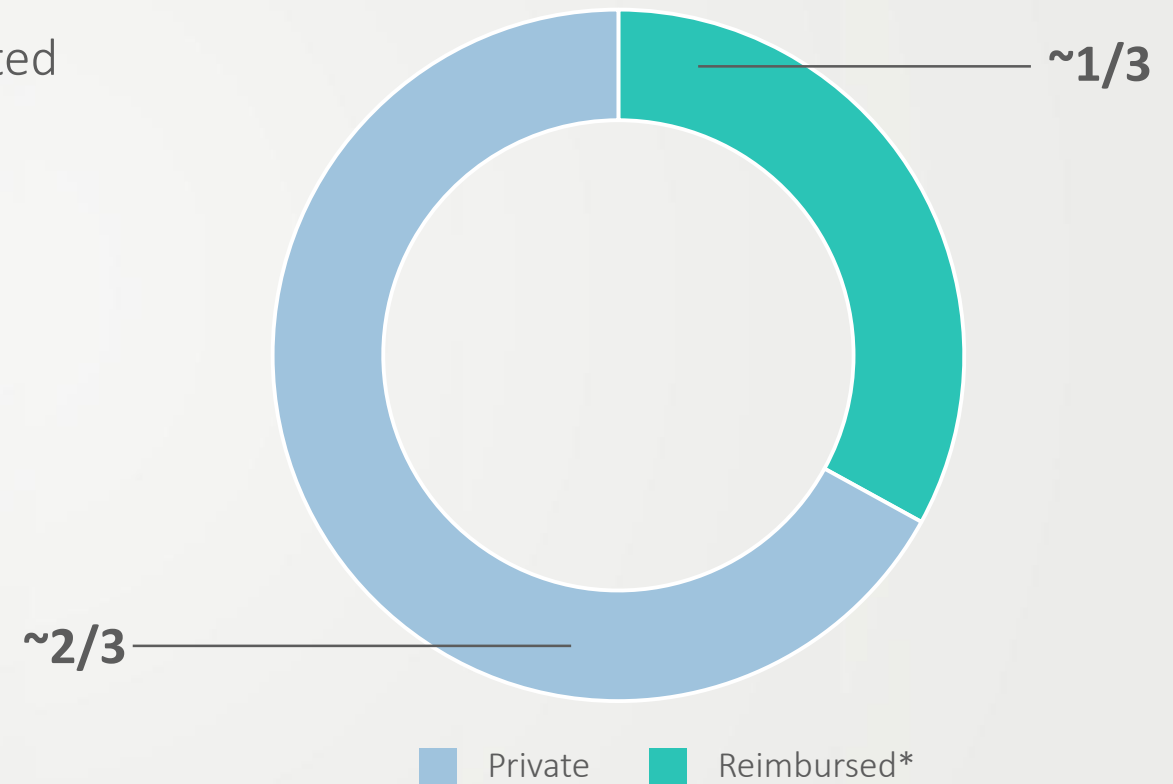
	Public/ hospital settings	Conventional independents	Value-added wholesalers	Conventional retail chains	Direct online sales	Specialty retailers	Multi-line retailers
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional procurement • Work with manufacturers with high audiological content and the ability to demonstrate user benefits via clinical studies etc. • Capacity is often the main challenge, and efficient fitting processes and highly reliable products are the main drivers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owners are an integral part of the operation and typically have a background in hearing instruments and are dedicated and specialised • Often loyal to their main suppliers based on long term relationship and maybe also financial tie-ins to their suppliers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More and more Independent businesses seek help with value-added resellers compete in commercial markets • This service is normally financed through negotiation of discounts with suppliers • Typically require a high-priced market with margins to finance these services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically have strong marketing and process control as well as strong, central, corporate functions • Strong focus on low purchase price • High marketing spend • They expect leading suppliers and always up-to-date technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model currently tested in many shapes and forms in a number of markets • Challenge is to combine the internet with the need for personal counselling and fitting of the hearing instruments • Still very difficult to run a stand alone business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacies, opticians etc. • In some markets, attractive alternative source of revenue for opticians • Leveraging on existing traffic • Professional and commercial retailers who expect products that are easy to sell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big-box retailers • Professional – but not specialised • They work with high traffic and low margins • They look for partners who can generate the best retail value • They want top-tier brands • Low marketing spend
Level of specialisation	Specialised professional					Complementary business	
Players							
Market split (volume 2015)							

Regulation and reimbursement

Changes to reimbursements and regulation are made from time-to-time (examples):

- Germany: Increase in reimbursement, but only limited co-payment
- Netherlands: Lowering of reimbursement
- Denmark: Lowering of reimbursement
- Switzerland: Lowering of reimbursement

No major changes to regulation and reimbursements are expected in the foreseeable future



Status of the current hearing aid market



Centralised market

- Top 5 markets continue to hold >70% of the global market value
- Stable markets
- Top 5 – all baby boomer countries



Retail consolidation

- Dispensers consolidating in different forms and sizes
 - Networks and buying groups
 - Retail chains
 - Manufacturers



Wholesale value shrinking proportionally

- Average selling prices continue to decline
- High competition for market shares among manufacturers



William Demant Wholesale business



Our strategy



- Grow market share through strong and innovative R&D effort combined with global multi-brand strategy
- Effective infrastructure to ensure competitive cost base



Multi-brand strategy

Gain market share in a diverse distribution system



Truly global reach

Through our hearing healthcare platform, expand our global market reach



Technology innovation

Deliver a commercially attractive, innovative product range based on proprietary technology



Attractive partner

Strong and attractive service and support package for customers and channels with specific needs

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PEOPLE FIRST

bernafon
Your hearing • Our passion

SONIC
Everyday Sounds Better

Successful multi-brand strategy

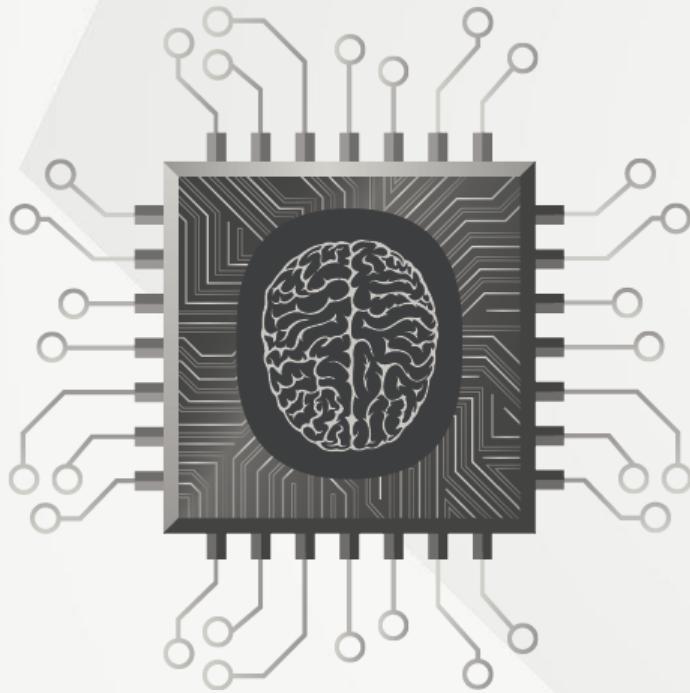
- Differentiated brand strategy, positioning and customer targeting
- To be different where it matters, e.g. products/features, people (customer interface), communication and services
- To share where possible, e.g. back office, production/logistics and technology/platform development
- Internal governance

Utilise synergies across brands without jeopardising the individual brand value and brand recognition



Platform elements	Integrated circuits	Algorithms/features	Design
Platform sharing	Maximum		Minimum

Leading hearing aid technology innovation



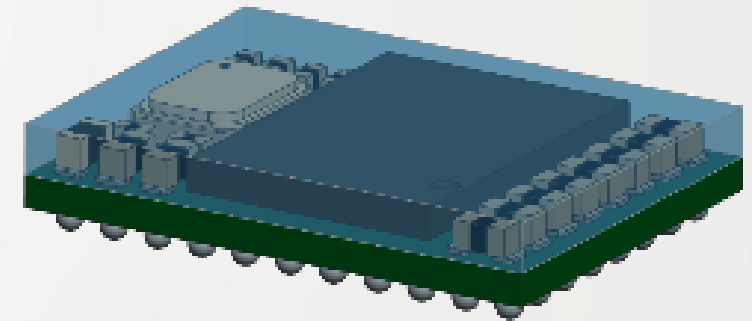
Powered by Velox™



Giant leap in innovation

Extreme processing power – without sacrificing power
Unique capability, enabling superior audiology

	Velox™	Inium Sense
Technology (nm)	65	130/180
Transistors (M)	64.5	8.7
Die size FE+DSP	15.8	23.7
FE+DSP+RF (mm ²)	23.5	-
DSPs	7+1	1
Channels	64	16
Max input dynamic (dB SPL)	113	93



Module: 5.8 x 4.2 x 1 mm³ = 24,4 mm³

TwinLink® technology

Near Field Magnetic Induction

Near Field Magnetic Induction (NFMI) is used to interface binaurally between hearing instruments

- A short range (1-1.5 m) wireless system
- Operates at <15 MHz (Oticon 3.84 MHz) and only needs <10% of the transmission power of RF (e.g. 2.4 GHz) systems
- Is immune to radio frequency interference and is not degraded by the human body blocking the field



TwinLink® technology

Radio frequency (2.4 GHz)

2.4 GHz Bluetooth Smart® RF is suited for interfacing with consumer devices

- Long-distance capability
- Acceptable power consumption for media consumption and phone calls
- Standardisation eliminating the need for intermediate devices
- Higher current consumption (>10x compared to NFMI)
- Complex hearing instrument antenna design



Market leading 2.4 GHz performance

Proprietary developed chip delivering superior performance

- Oticon's 2.4 GHz IC radio is among the best in class across all industries with respect to current consumption
- Receiver performance has significant advantage
- Opn™ uses 35% less power than the market benchmark when streaming from an iPhone
- Oticon Opn™ is prepared to meet future possible interference from expanding LTE traffic in neighbouring frequency bands (i.e. 2.3 GHz/2.5 GHz)

	Oticon	Nordic (current)	Nordic (new)
Chip size [mm ²]	7.9	13.2	9.6
Supply voltage [V]	1.0 to 1.7	1.8 to 3.6	1.7 to 3.3
2.4 GHz 1Mbps sensitivity [dBm]	-96	-93	-96
Rx peak current [mA] (1 Mbps 2.4 GHz)	5.5 (1.2V)	13 (1.8V)	10.9 (1.7V)
Tx peak current [mA] (1 Mbps 2.4 GHz)	8.5 (1.2V)	10.5 (1.8V)	9.6 (1.7V)

Benefits of in-house design

Electronics designed for running directly on 1V battery

- Optimised current consumption
- No efficiency loss from battery to integrated circuits (IC)

Size and integration advantages

- Smaller IC dies with aspect ratios optimised for the hearing instrument application
- Full access to all layers in the IC and SW enabling higher integration
- Optimised modularity for size and quality
- Reduced IC die cost including NRE
- Efficient and high-quality production through design for manufacturing



Driving technological leadership

Innovation and performance as key to market leadership

Custom interface (how to fit to people)

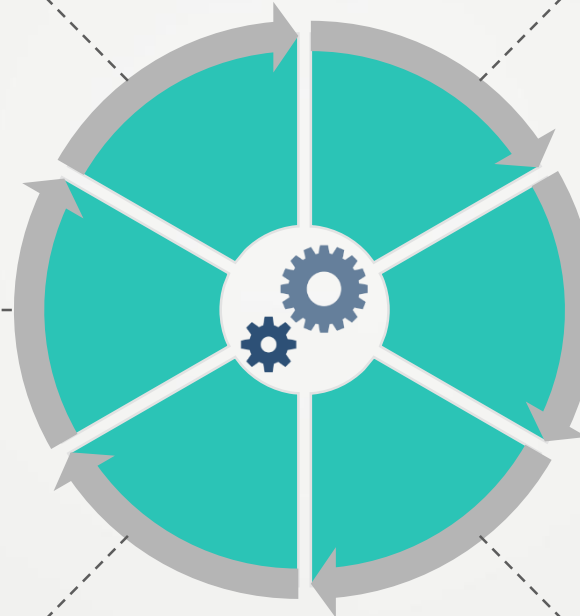
Ultra-low power chip design, incl.
advanced wireless systems

Wireless system integration and connectivity

Advanced digital signal processing

Micromechanics and high performance
electro-acoustics incl. antenna design

Strong audiological insight and
fitting systems development

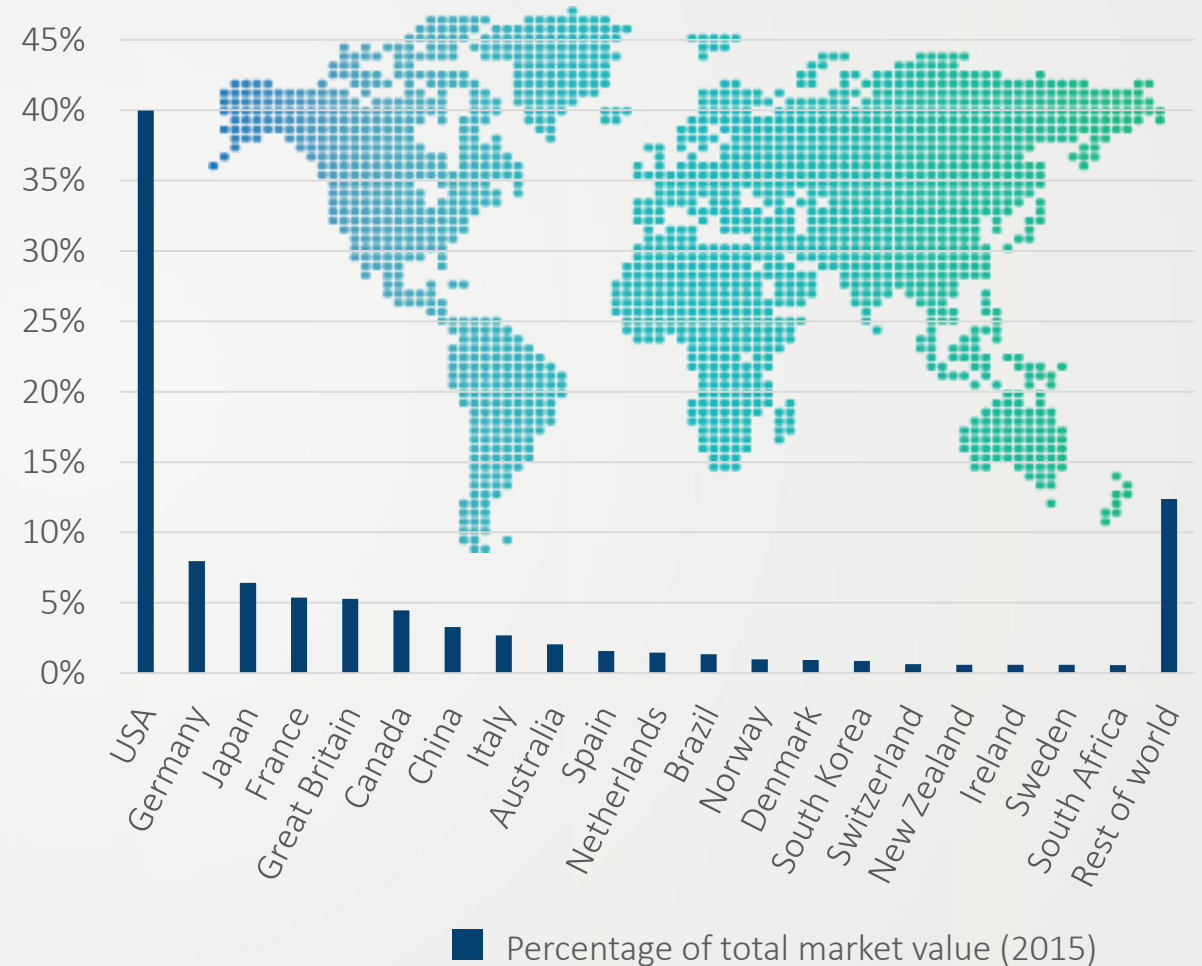


Keeping leadership to create motivation and engagement

Expand our global reach into new markets

Building presence in new markets

- Build relationship with new distributors
- Open sales company where necessary, e.g.
 - Myanmar – 2015
 - Turkey – 2014
- Leverage on our other business activities
 - Diagnostic Instruments has access to many potential new customers
 - Hearing Implants has access to the medical channels



William Demant's global wholesale footprint



📍 = Headquarters 📍 = Wholesale company 📍 = Production

Continue to be the desired partner for our customers



Well positioned to continue growth in hearing aids



Technology leadership



Global presence

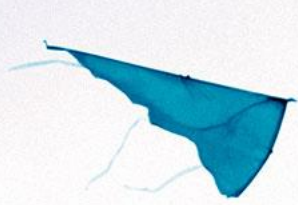
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Multi-brand strategy



Strong cost base



William Demant Retail business



Niels Wagner

President of Retail in William Demant Holding A/S

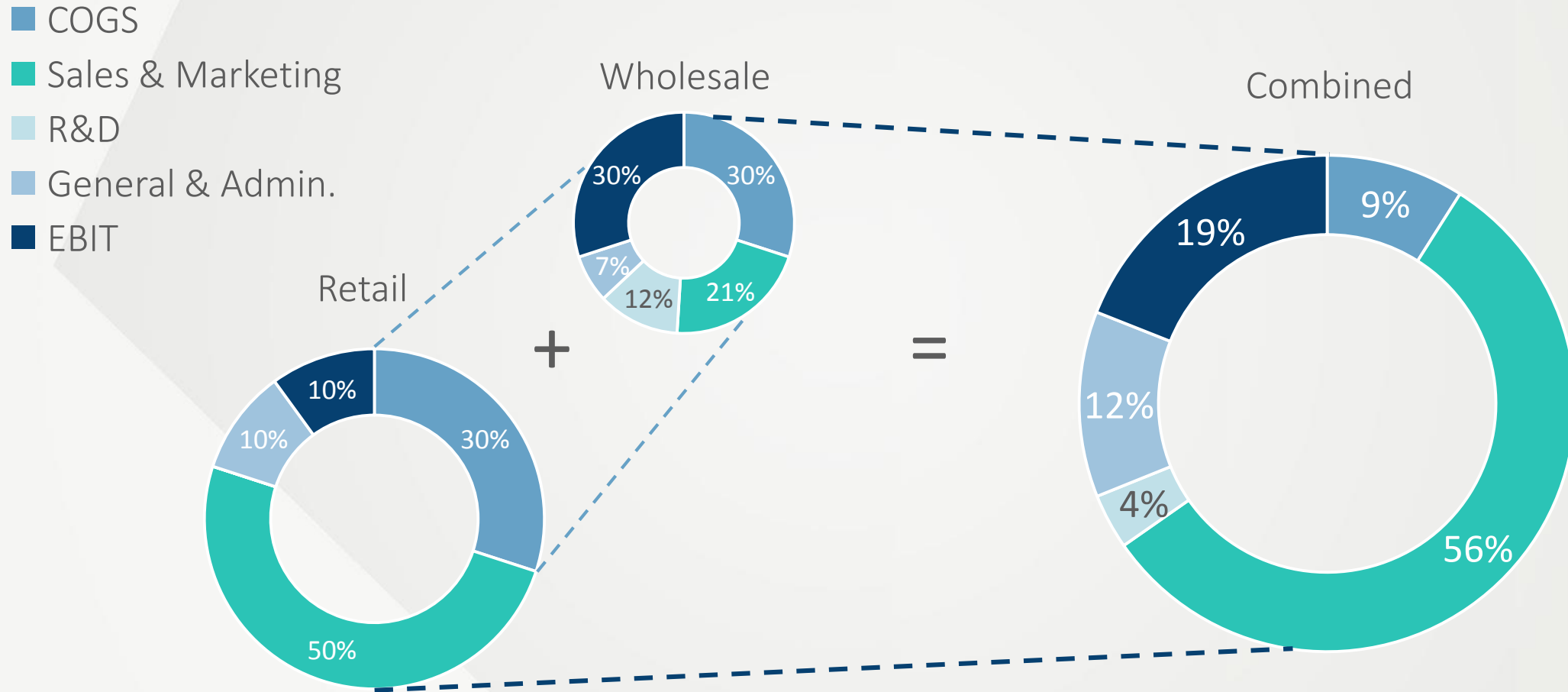
- Born in 1971
- Cand. Oecon, Aarhus University
- President, Retail in William Demant since 2007
- Vice President, Retail, GN ReSound 2006-2007
- Sales Director, Synoptik, 2003-2006
- General Manager, Oticon Australia, 2000-2003



Hearing aid market value chain



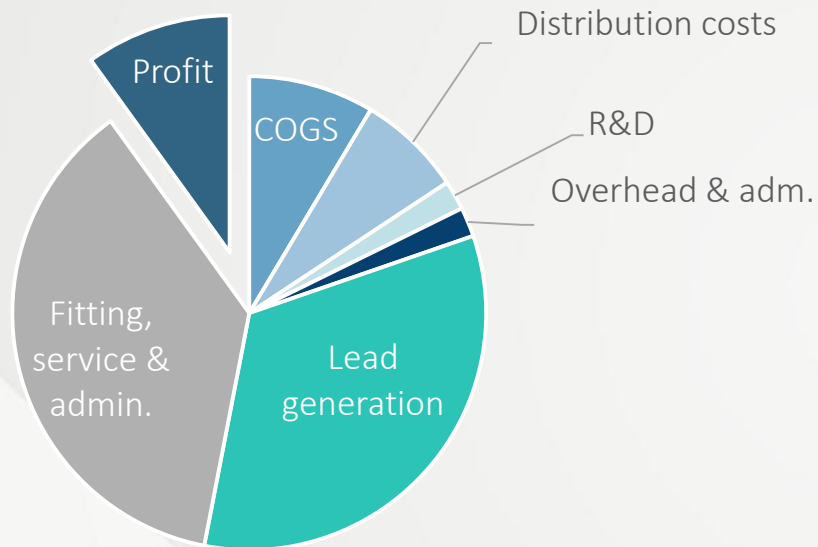
Consolidating retail with wholesale accounts



Note: The illustration above is a mechanical example, showing percentage of revenue without possible synergies etc.

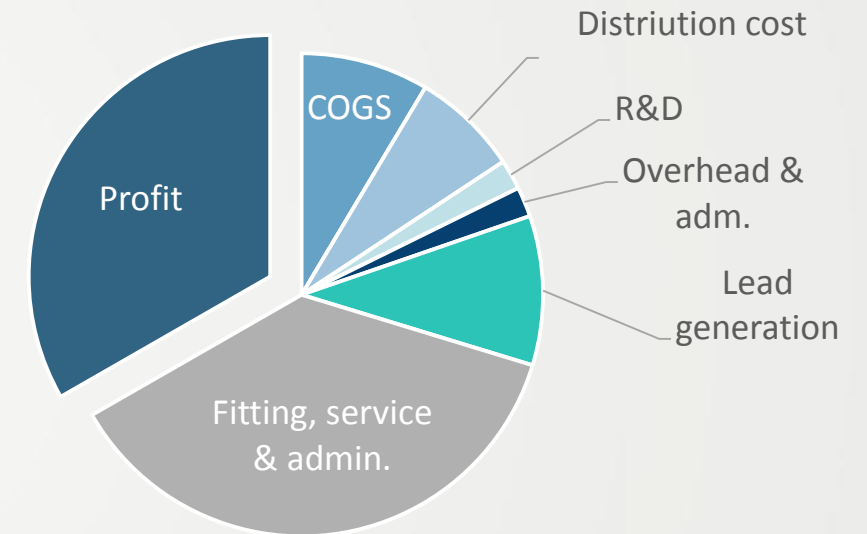
Recurring sales are key to profitability

First-time user



- Material up-front investments in lead generation
 - Lead generation remains expensive
 - Relatively low conversion to sales

Recurring sales



- Recurring sales offer attractive earnings
 - Lower lead generation cost
 - High earnings potential from users getting older

Retail is a defensive, but important, value driver

In addition to securing distribution – retail contributes by:



Getting closer to the end-user

- Closer end-user interaction, ensuring right product development and innovation as well as the ability to influence end-users



New technologies across retail and wholesale

- Technology for optimising fitting flow and efficiency developed between wholesale and retail

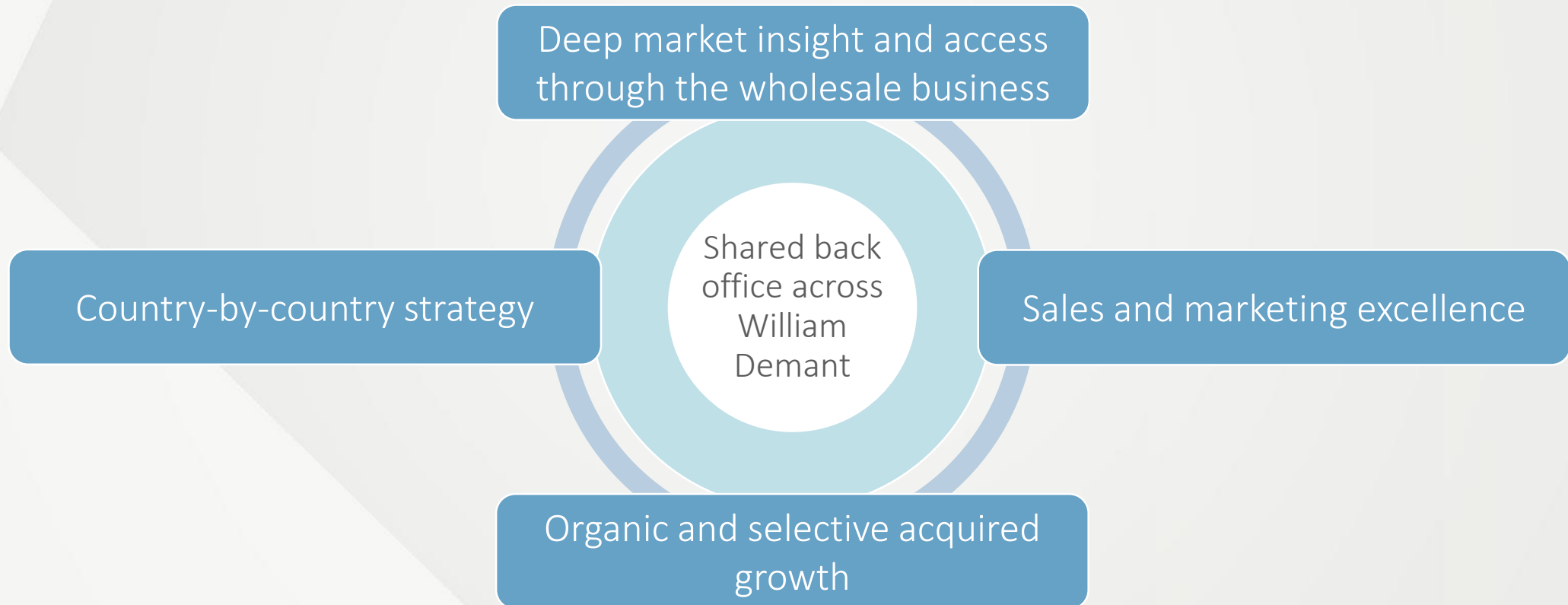


Developing consumer competences in retail

- Better understanding of the consumer journey and the dispensers' business challenges

William Demant's retail strategy

Defensive retail strategy



Retail benefits our wholesale business

Insight into understanding our wholesale customers' business challenges

Building competences in lead generation

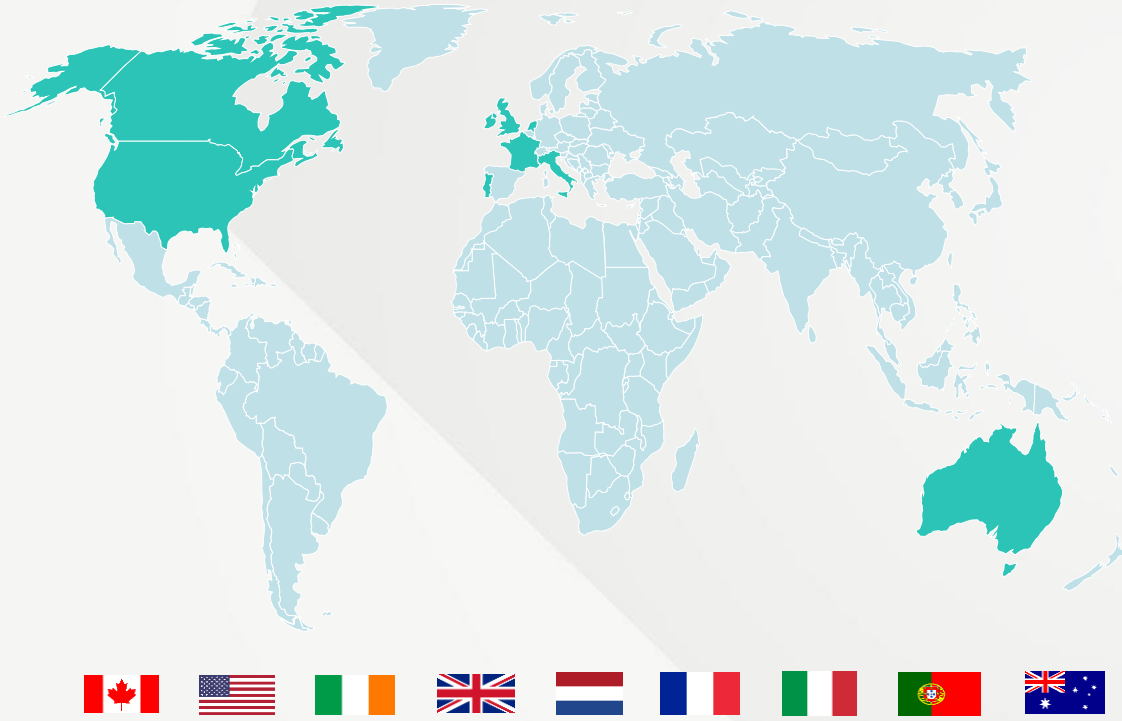
Carefully planned retail expansion

Lifetime support including exit

Extended transition from wholesale to retail

Survey: Choice of clinic and brand positioning

Consumer research with 2,452 respondents in 9 markets*



*Research description

The focus of the survey was to identify drivers for choice of hearing care clinic and optimal brand positioning for a hearing care retailer. The consumer survey was a web-based survey with stimuli material. Respondents were recruited through local web panels. All respondents have at some point visited a hearing care retailer and are therefore able to relate to this situation. The survey cover both non-users and users of hearing aids and relatives.

Top 5 drivers of choice for visiting a clinic

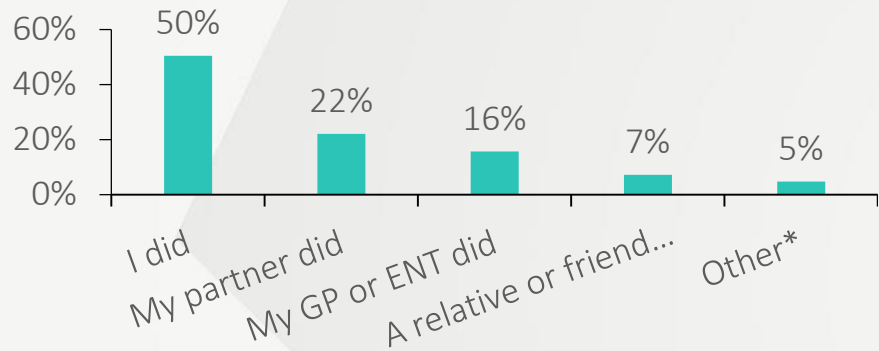
1. It was an easy clinic/place to get to (accessible)
2. It offered a free hearing test (tactical)
3. It had a good reputation in general (brand image)
4. It was easy to get an appointment (accessible)
5. It was known for expertise (brand image)

Brand position most likely to motivate customers to visit a clinic

1. Experts in audiology (23%)
2. Cutting-edge technology (19%)
3. Value for money (18%)
4. Best service (10%)
5. Customer centric (9%)

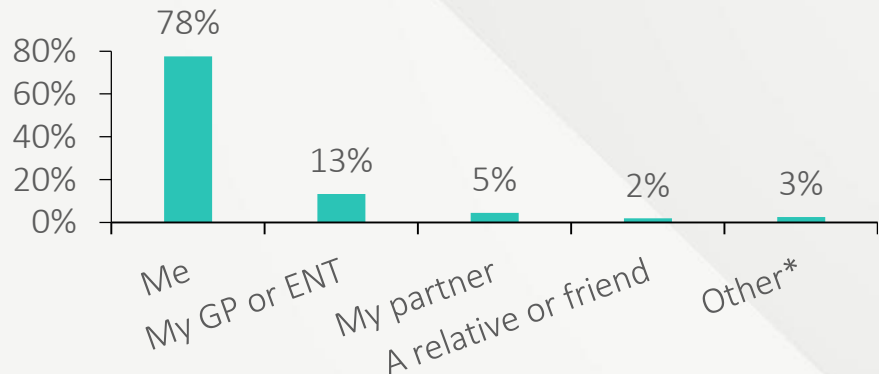
End-user insights

Who motivated you the most to visit a clinic?



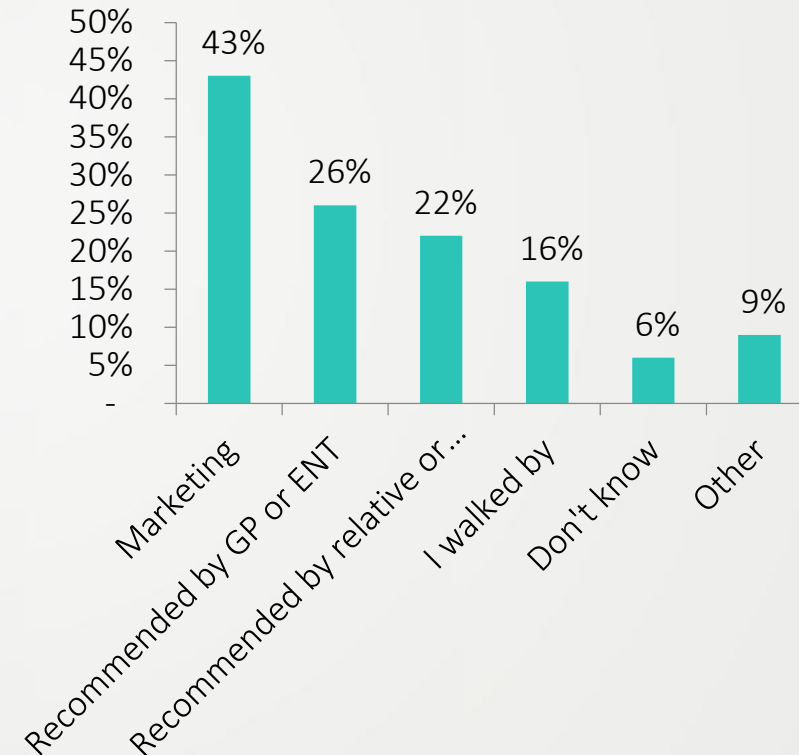
Users make their own choice

Who decided which specific clinic to visit?



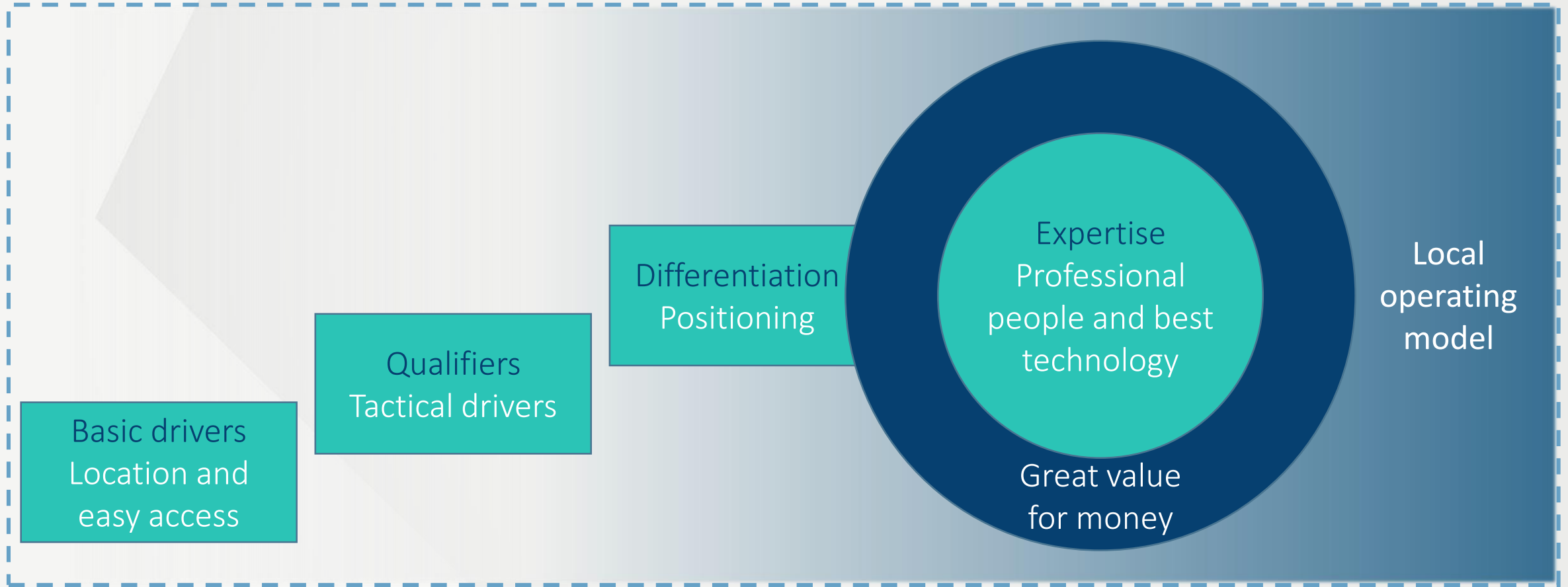
Users decide which specific clinic to visit

What made you aware of the clinic?



Marketing is the key driver of awareness

Shared vision and positioning, but local execution



Sales excellence



Marketing excellence



Data mining, profiling and
segmentation



Marketing is local



Marketing best practice



Marketing excellence



Telemarketing

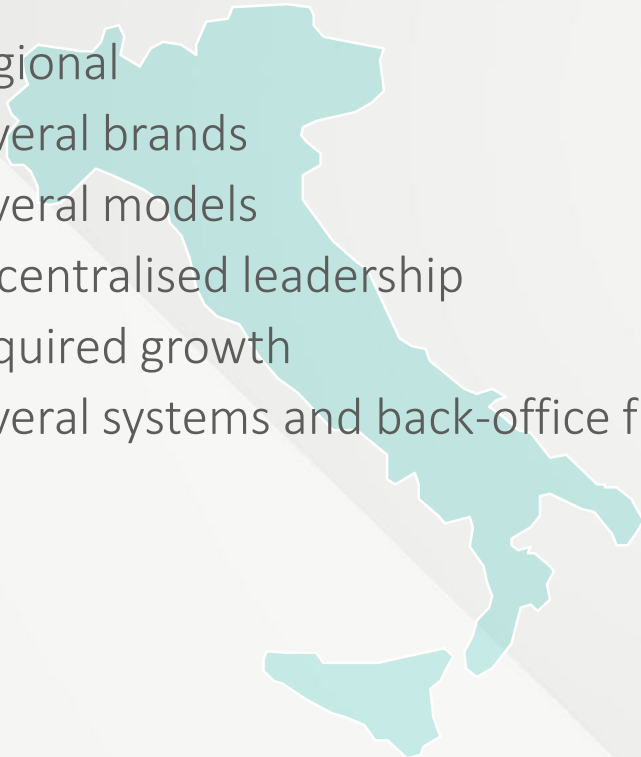


Multiple sources of leads

Mix of mature and new retail markets

New development (Italy)

- Regional
- Several brands
- Several models
- Decentralised leadership
- Acquired growth
- Several systems and back-office functions



Mature (France)

- National
- One brand
- One model
- Central leadership
- Organic growth
- One system and back-office function

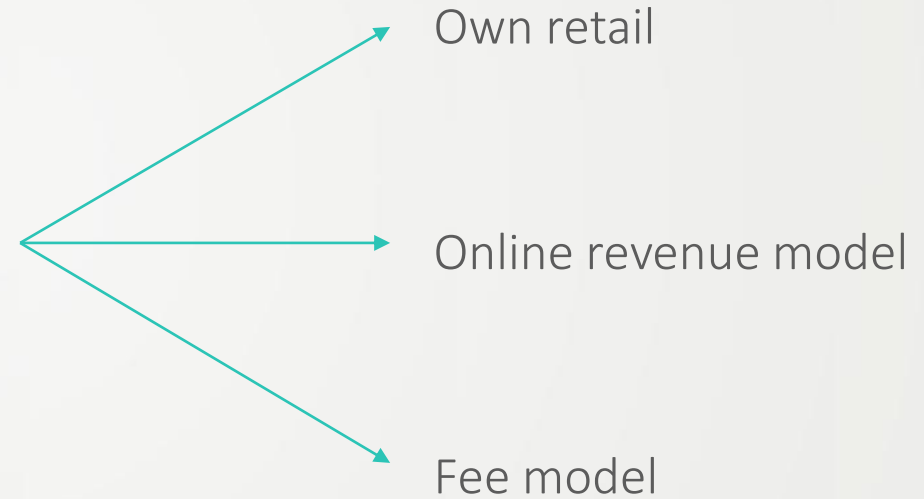
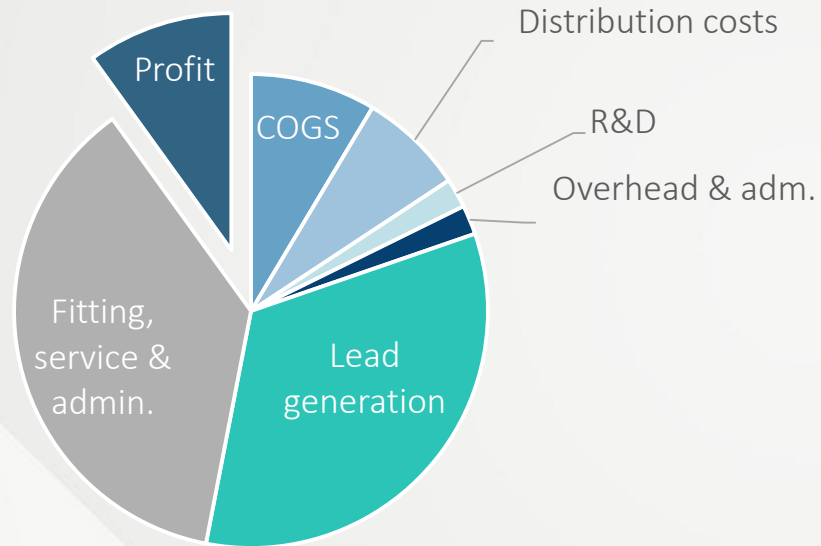


Digital marketing strategy

Develop innovative and effective models for lead generation



Lead generation requires integration with retailers



Multi-line retailers vs. specialty retailers

Overall aim for hearing retailer:

Advance consumer from denial to decision

Many different models,
but two models are
currently getting a lot of
attention

Multi-line retailers

Specialty retailers

- Service and support business can be challenging
- Lead generation model or location leverage



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Thank you



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Diagnostic Instruments

Arne Boye Nielsen
President, Diagnostic Instruments

Arne Boye Nielsen

President, Diagnostic Instruments and Personal Communication, William Demant Holding A/S

- Born in 1968
- M.Sc. in Business Administration, Copenhagen Business School
- President, Diagnostic Instruments and Personal Communication in William Demant since 1996
- Employed with the William Demant since 1990

Board positions:

- Össur
- Directorships in a number of Group-owned subsidiaries



Agenda

- Diagnostic Instruments in William Demant
- The value chain and distribution
- Areas for future growth
- Synergies in William Demant
- Q&A



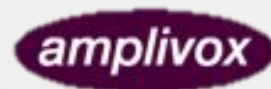
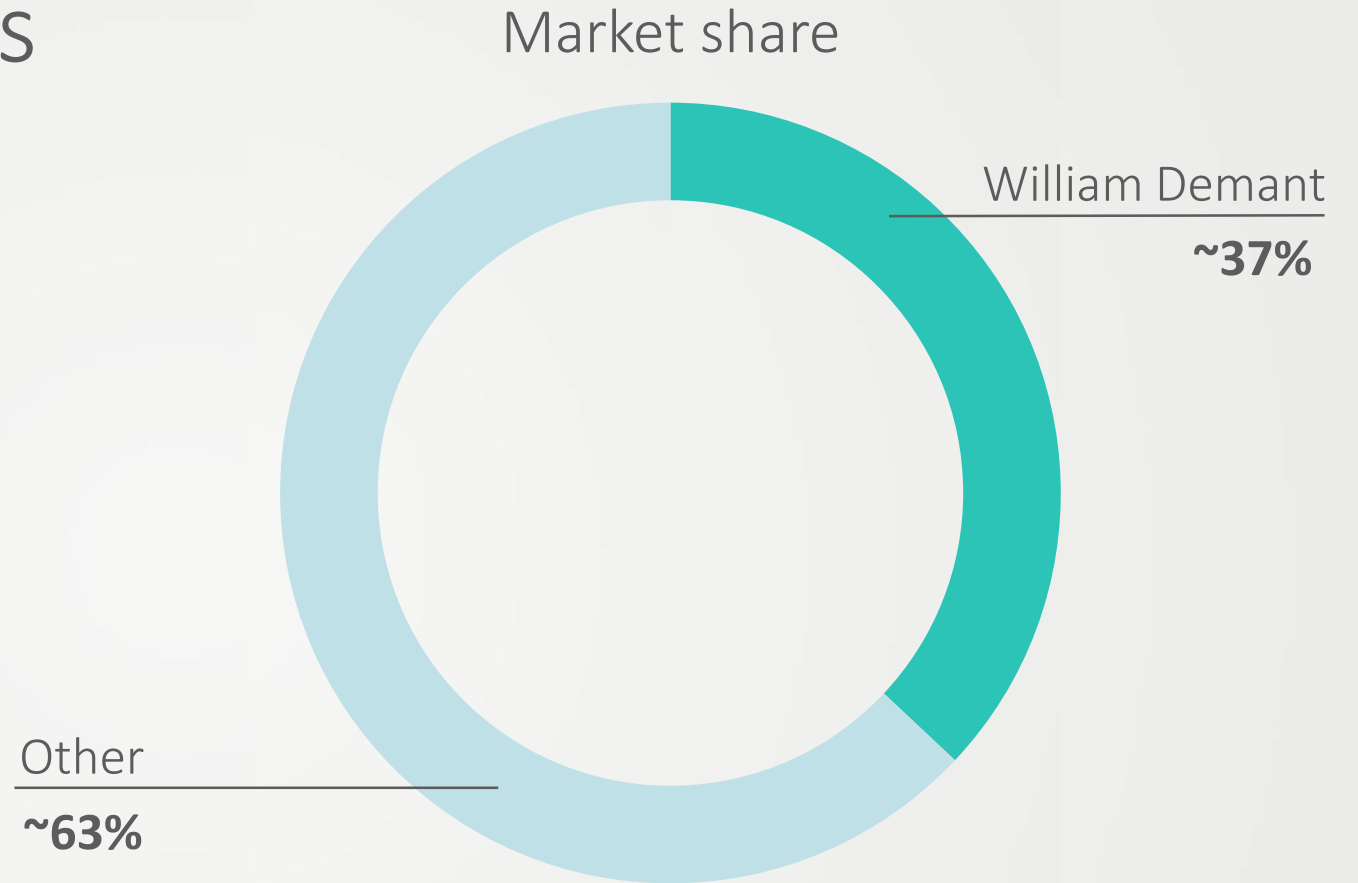
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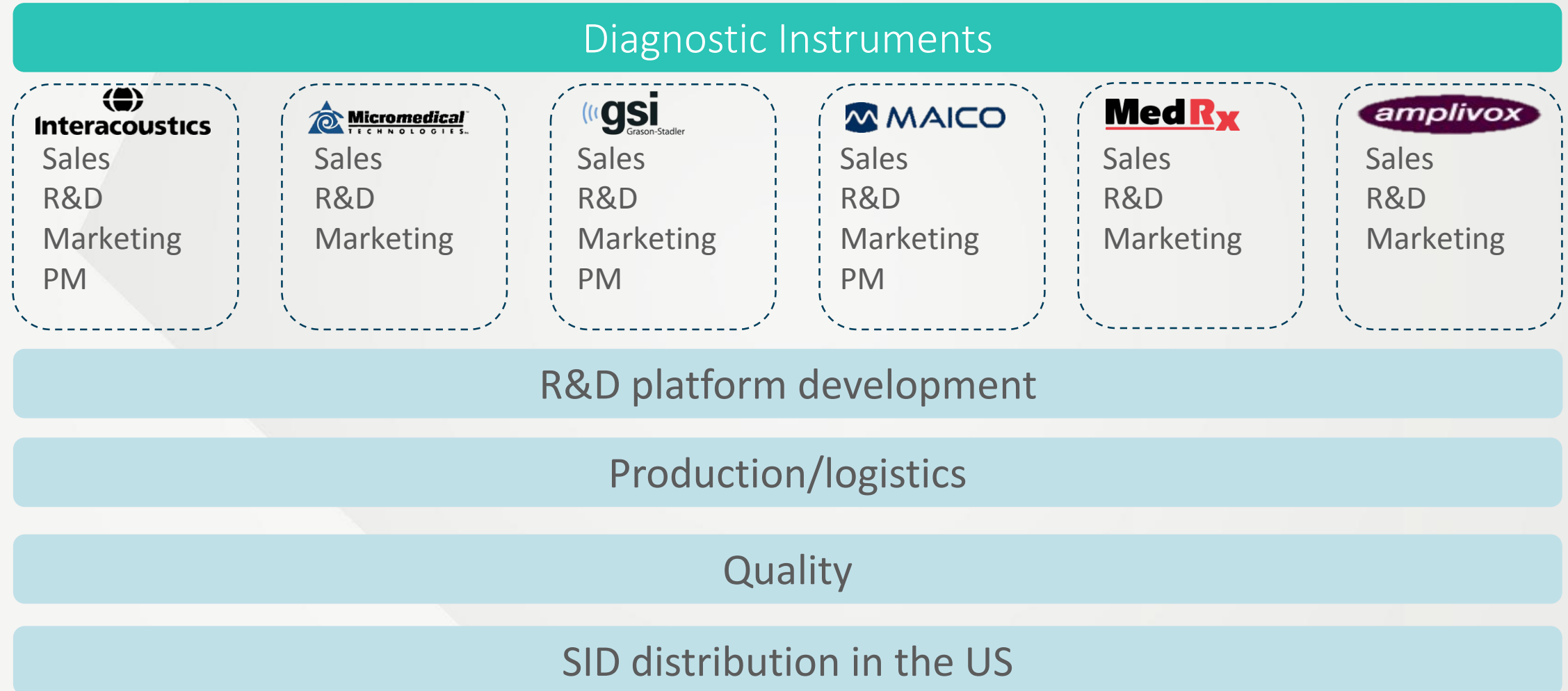


Diagnostic Instruments







- DKK 1,072 billion in sales in 2015
 - +1% from 2014 in local currencies
- ~1,000 employees
- Global presence
- Market leader – ~37% market share
- Multi-brand company



Business model



Product range overview

	 gsi Grason-Stadler	 Interacoustics	 MAICO	 MedRx	 Micromedical TECHNOLOGIES™	 amplivox
Audiometers	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Impedance	✓	✓	✓			✓
Fitting		✓		✓		
ABR*	✓	✓	✓			
OAE*	✓	✓	✓			
VNG*		✓			✓	

*Note: ABR: Auditory Brainstem Response; OAE: Otoacoustic Emissions and VNG: Videonystagmography

Customer segments

- New-born screening
- ENT doctors
- University clinics
- Schools
- Paediatricians
- Army
- Audiologists
- Hearing aid dispensers
- General practitioners
- Balance centres
- Neurologists
- Chiropractors
- Emergency rooms
- Physical therapists



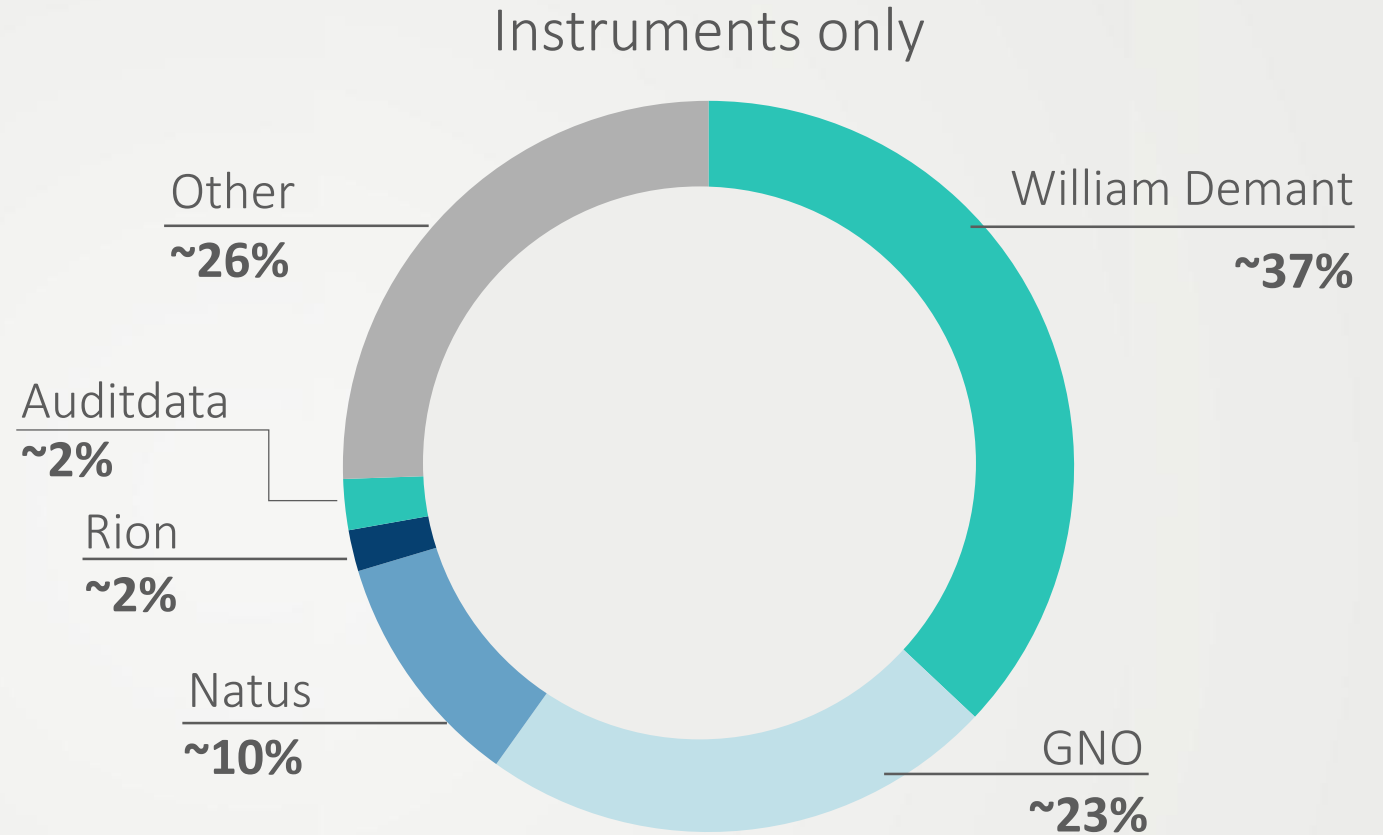
Total market 2015



Growth of 1-2%
in 2015



Total market
USD ~265 million
in wholesale value



Sales per year

- Acquisitions on top of strong organic growth of 7% per year
- CAGR of 18% from 2010-2015

MedRx

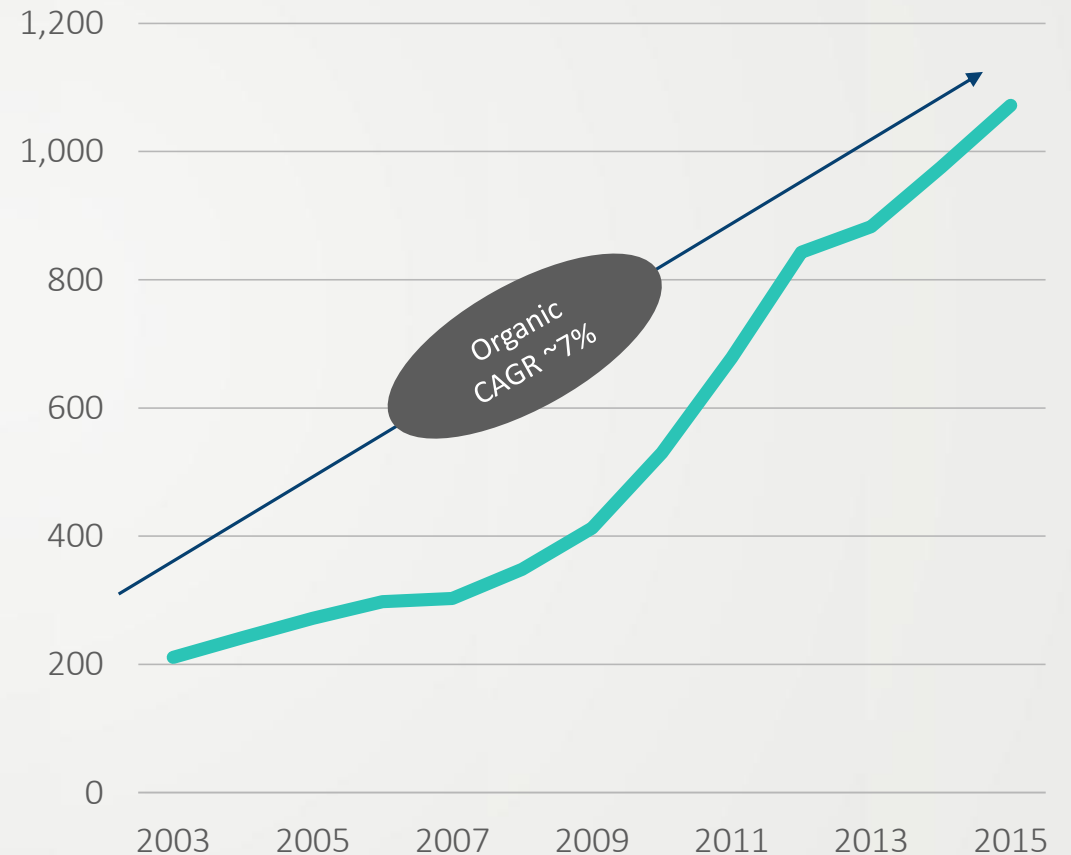
Interacoustics **MAICO**

amplivox

Micromedical
TECHNOLOGIES™

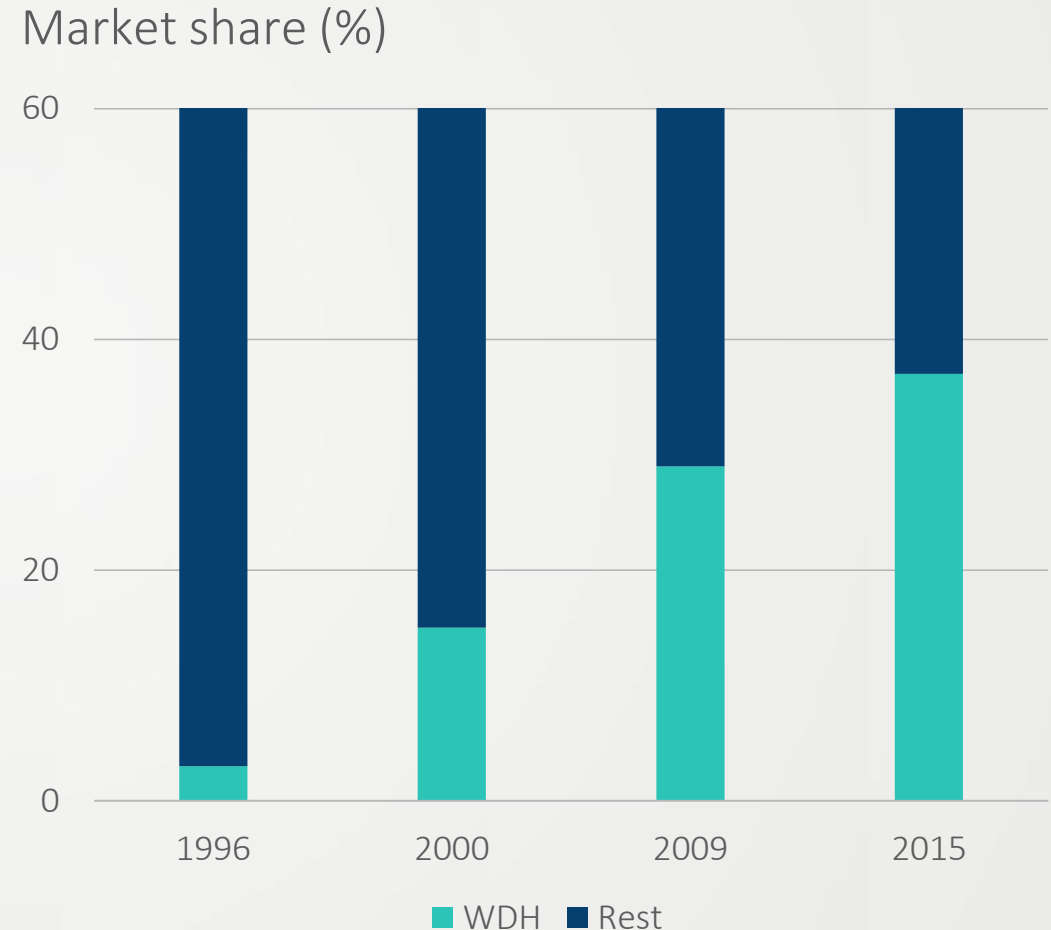
gsi
Grason-Stadler

DKK million



William Demant's market share development

Since we entered the market in 1996, we have continued to grow our market share to ~40% measured in value



Production in Poland

- Production site with 200 employees
- Distribution and production centre for Diagnostic Instruments worldwide



Interacoustics HQ and Diagnostics innovation centre



Grason-Stadler – new product family

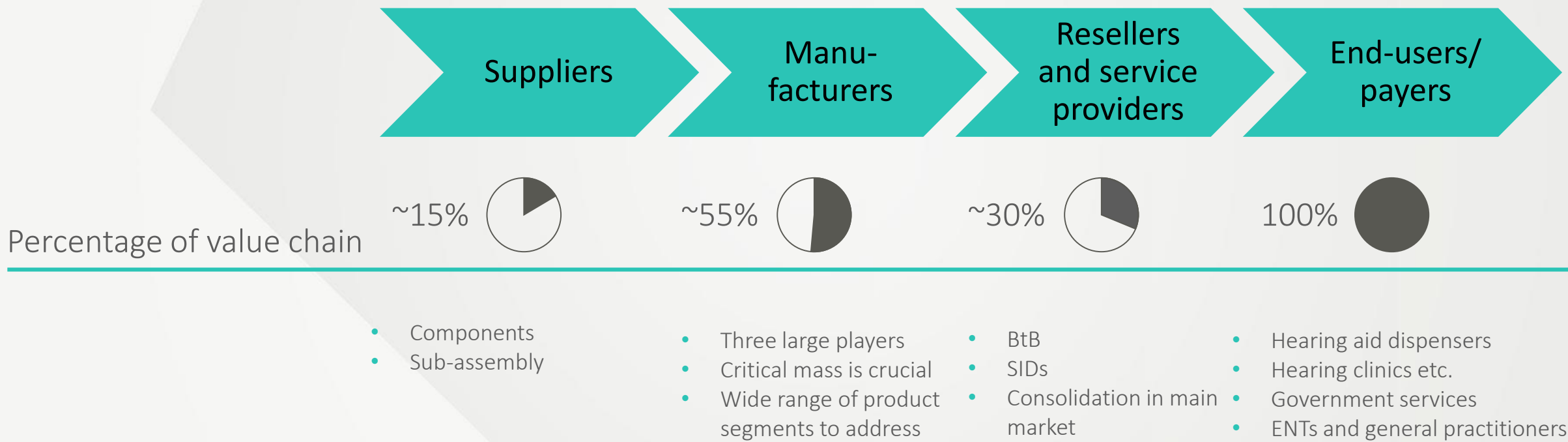




The value chain and distribution

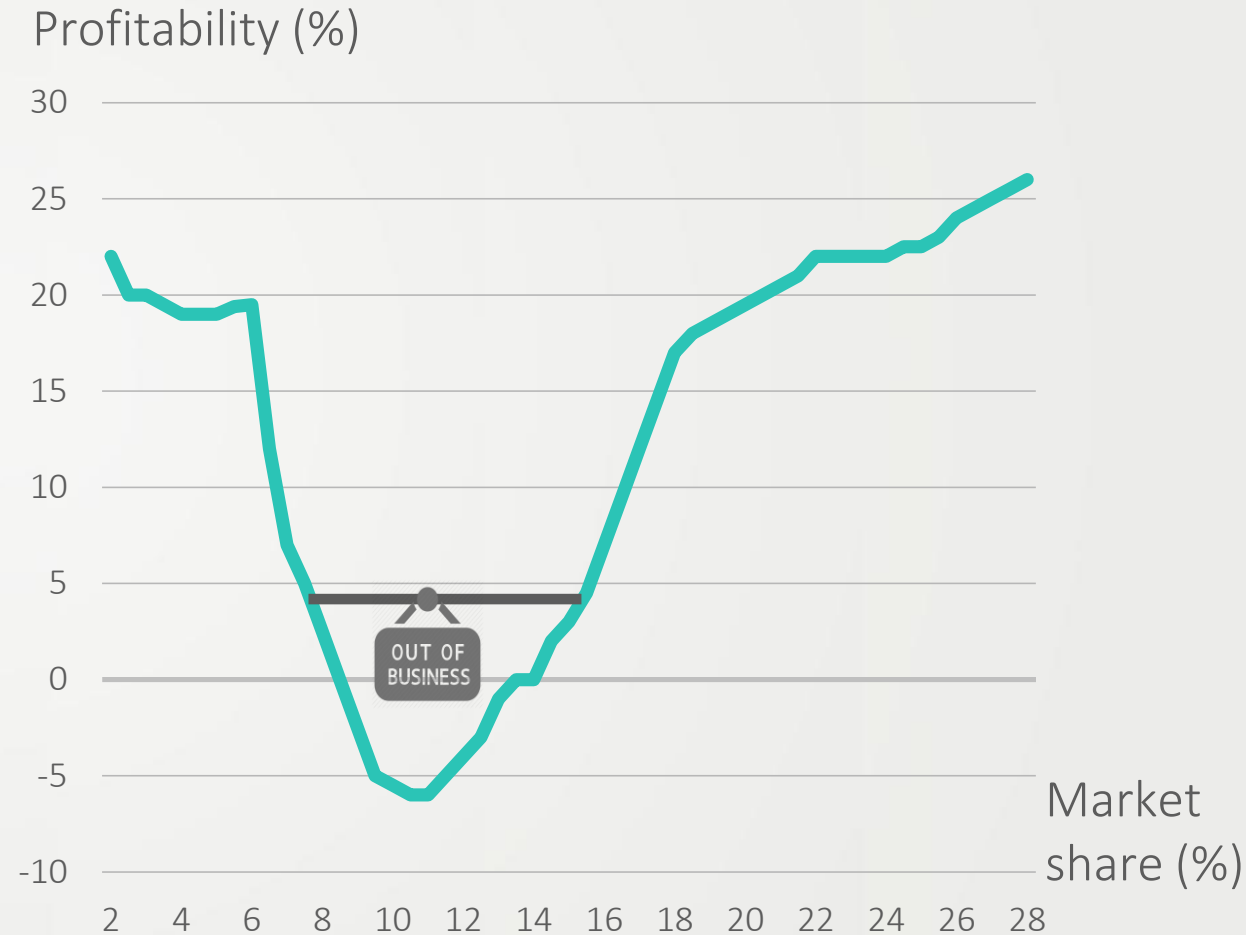


Diagnostic instruments value chain



Market share and profitability

Size matters – still opportunities for acquisitions



Source: Michael Porter

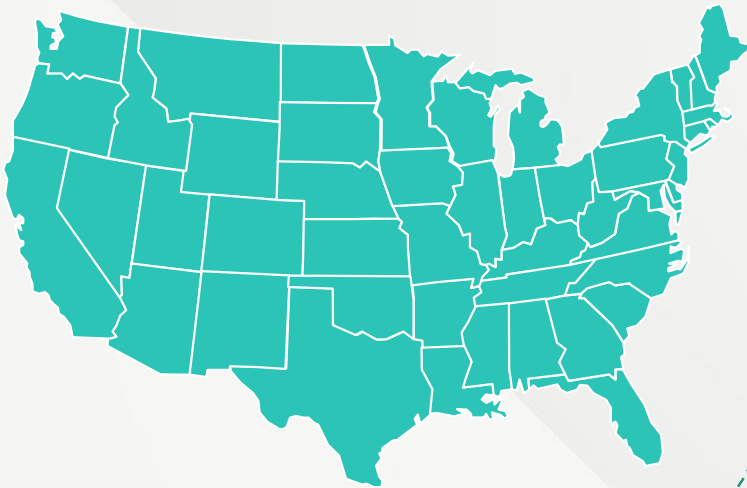
“Sales companies”



US market for hearing and balance equipment

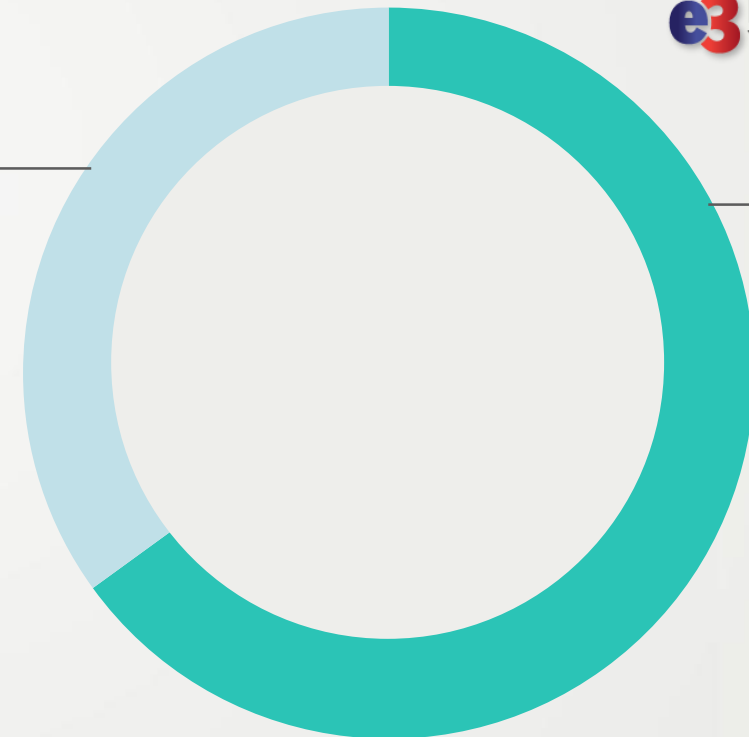


Total market
USD ~160 million
(end-user value)



Sales split

Other
~35%

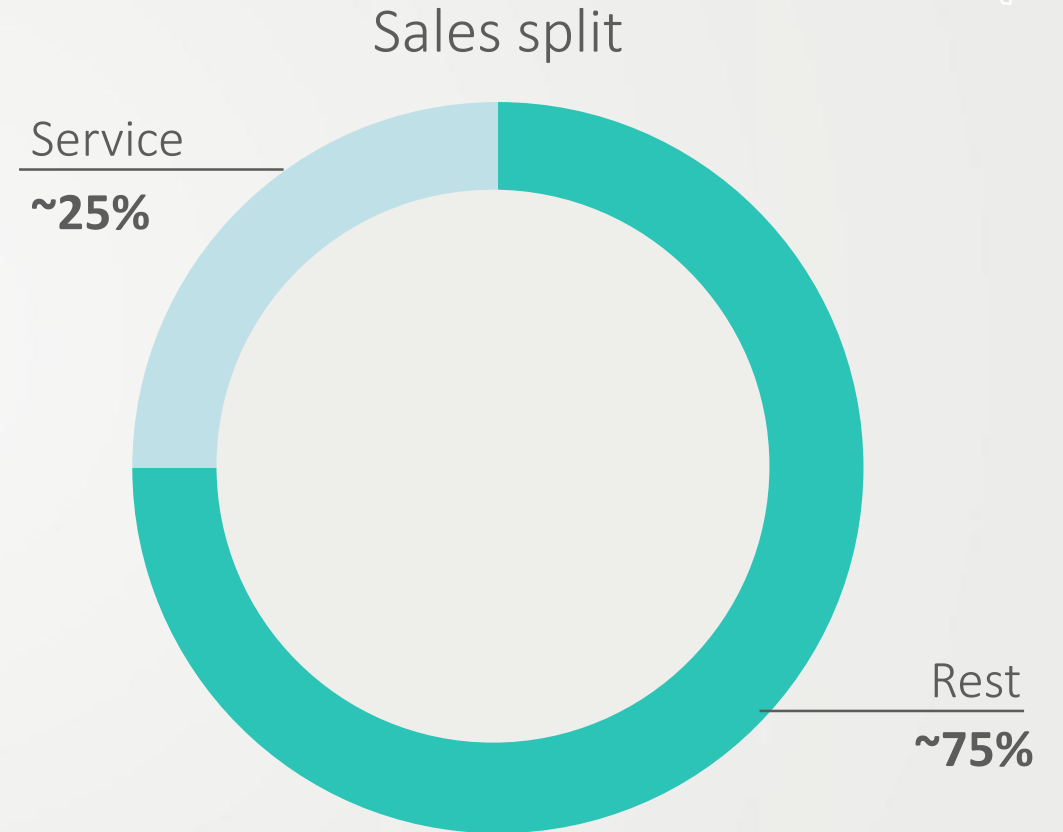
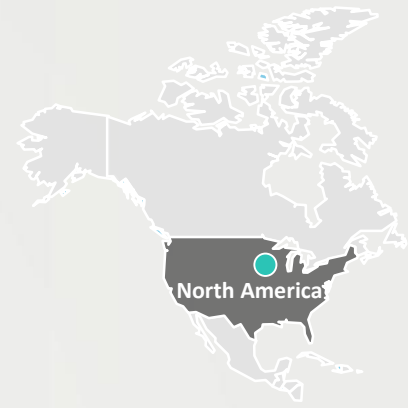


SID
~65%

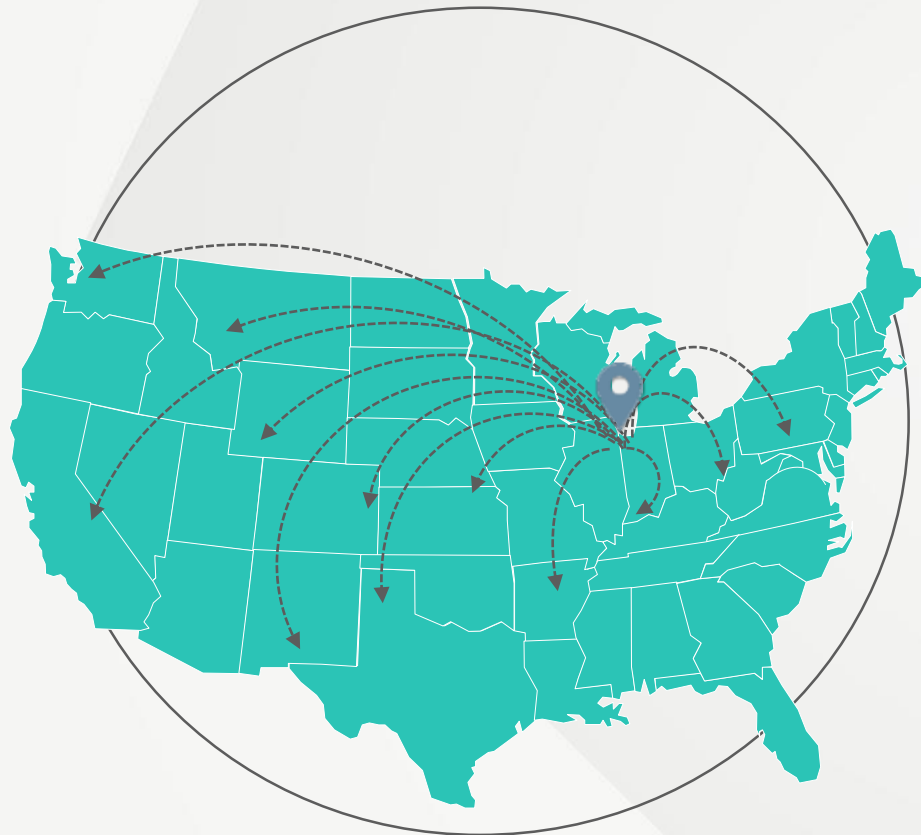
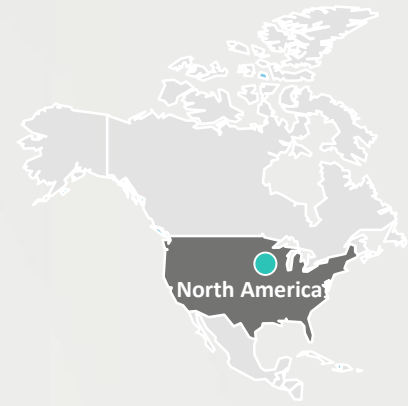
e3 Diagnostics
Your Local Equipment Experts

What is a SID?

- **Special Instrument Distributor** – a distribution channel focusing on hearing and balance
- Focus on selling, servicing and supporting equipment in hearing and balance
- Optimal size of territory is 6-8 million citizens per sales person
- Size, service and calibration business are key to profitability



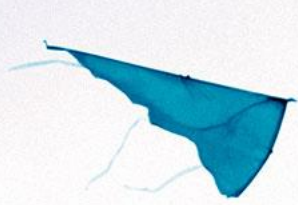
William Demant – strong distribution in US



- Acquired and merged 20+ independent SIDs from 2011
- 200+ employees including 45 sales people and 100 service technicians
- All offices on the same business system – designed to run an efficient SID business

Leading SIDs joining forces





Future growth



Potential growth areas



- New-born hearing screening
- Consumables
- Service and calibration business
- Hearing aid fitting systems
- China/Asia
- Balance



Great opportunities
for future growth

Balance market



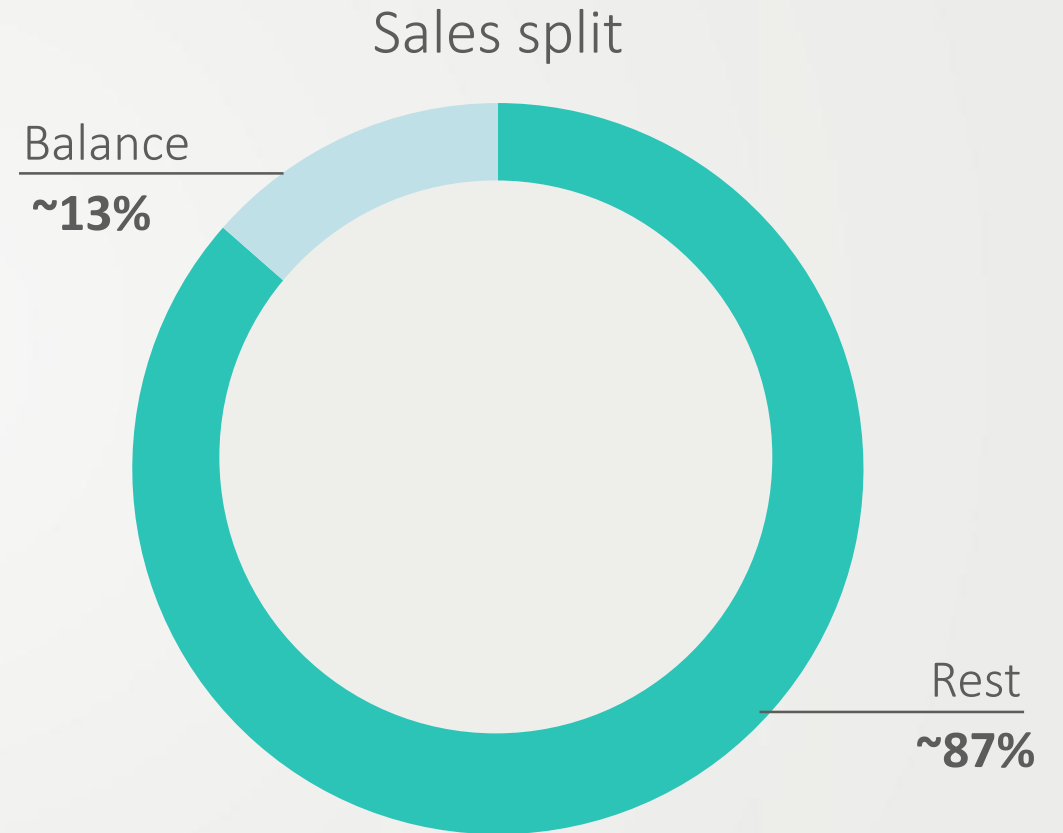
Instrumentation for diagnosing and treating dizziness and balance disorders



Growing awareness and market opportunities



Link to hearing instrument market



Interacoustics Academy



- Interacoustics Academy is the academic sparring partner for end-users of Interacoustics' specialised technologies and procedures
- Actual clinical end-user value hugely depends on their skill and insight – Interacoustics Academy makes this increased value possible

Examples of projects from 2015



Face-to-face academic or technological training; more than 3,000 end-users trained



15 webinars and more than 1,500 monthly off-line downloads



E-learning courses with more than 700 students per year

IRU – Interacoustics Research Unit



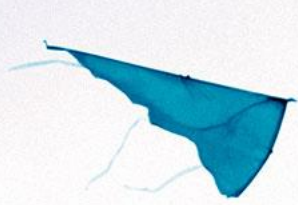
- The "R" in R&D is an avenue to increased growth through new unique applied technologies
- Three full-time researchers benefit from the inspiring location at the Technical University of Denmark – one of the world's leading hearing research environments
- Extensive project cooperation with local and external researchers

IRU - Interacoustics Research Unit

Current IRU research projects include

- Validation of hearing aid fitting in infants by measuring electrical brain potential
- Improving diagnosis of vestibular nerve tumors
- "Hidden Hearing Loss" (diagnosing a previously unknown type of noise induced hearing loss)
- Optimising signal analysis in electro-physiological testing

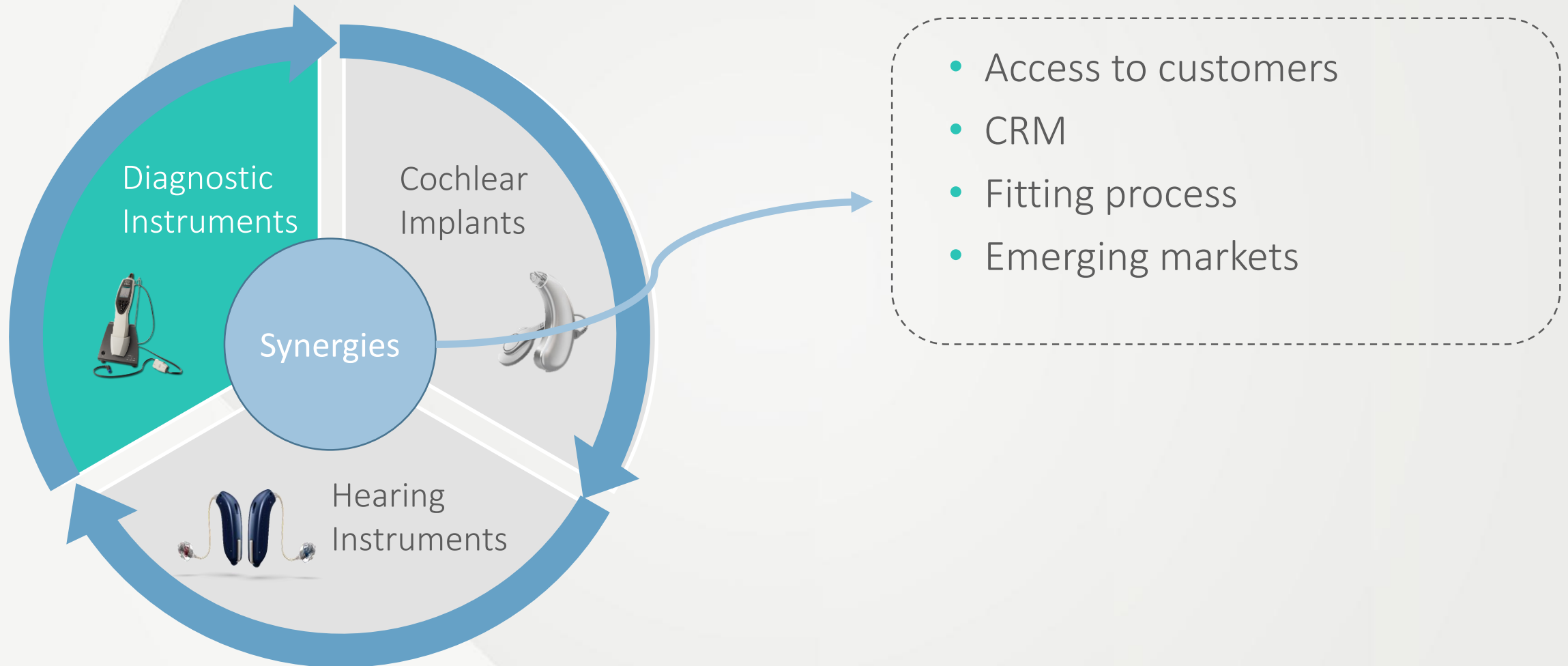




Synergies in William Demant



Synergies with other William Demant activities





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Thank you



Sennheiser Communications A/S

Company presentation

Jeppe Dalberg-Larsen, President



Jeppe Dalberg-Larsen

- Born 1969
- M.Sc. in Economics from Aarhus University
- Employed with the William Demant Group since 1996
- CIO - Head of Global IT, William Demant (Oticon) 1998 to 2001
- General Manager, Danacom A/S 2001 to 2003
- President, Sennheiser Communications since 2003



Sennheiser Communications at a glance



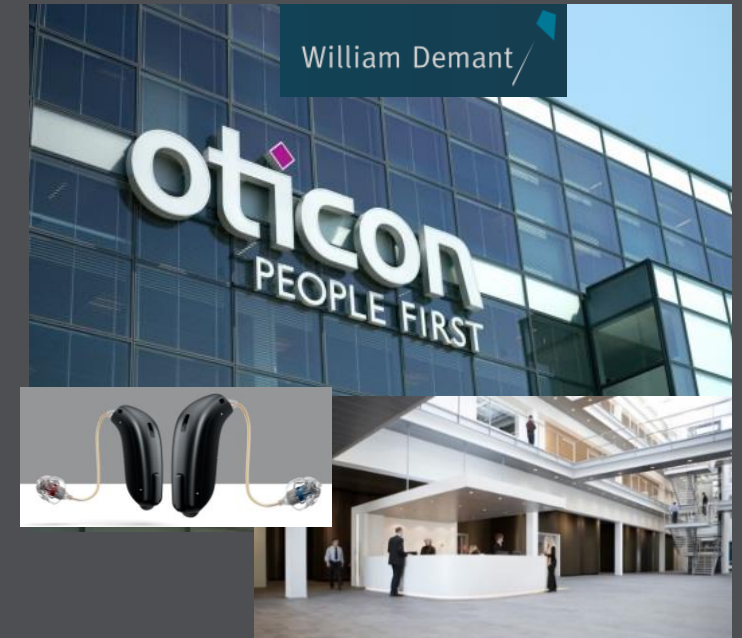
- Joint venture established in 2003:
 - William Demant Holding 50%
 - Sennheiser electronic GmbH & Co. KG 50%
- Main product areas:
 - CC&O: Headsets for mobile phones, contact centres, offices and Unified Communications (UC)
 - Consumer: Headsets for gaming and mobile
- Locations:
 - Headquarters in Ballerup, Denmark
 - Offices in Hong Kong and Dongguan in China
 - Headcount: 176

A strong foundation



Sennheiser electronic

- Founded in 1945
- Premium positioning: Shaping the future of audio
- Main product categories:
 - Headphones
 - Microphones
 - Wireless transmission systems



William Demant Holding

- Founded in 1904
- Hearing healthcare company
- Hearing solutions, audiometric equipment, personal communication systems

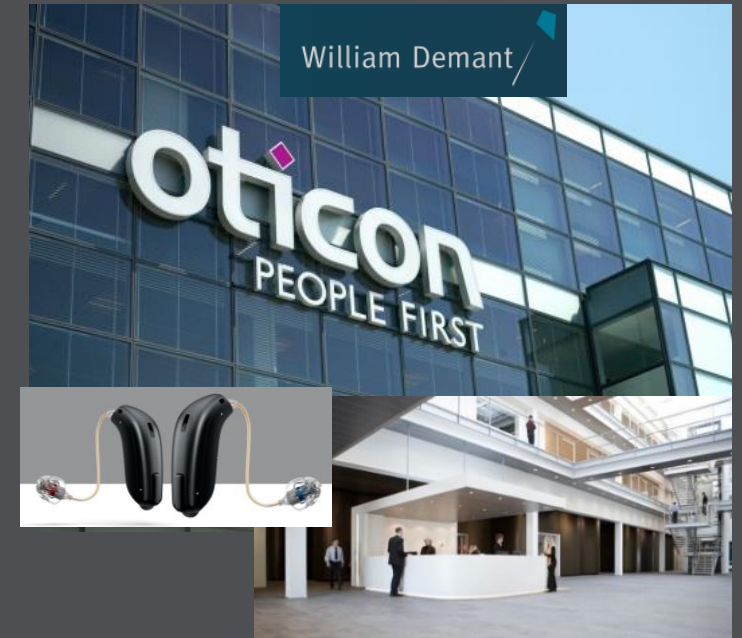
Capitalising on synergies



- Premium brand positioning
- Distribution network
- R&D and technology
- Best practice
- Supply chain scalability

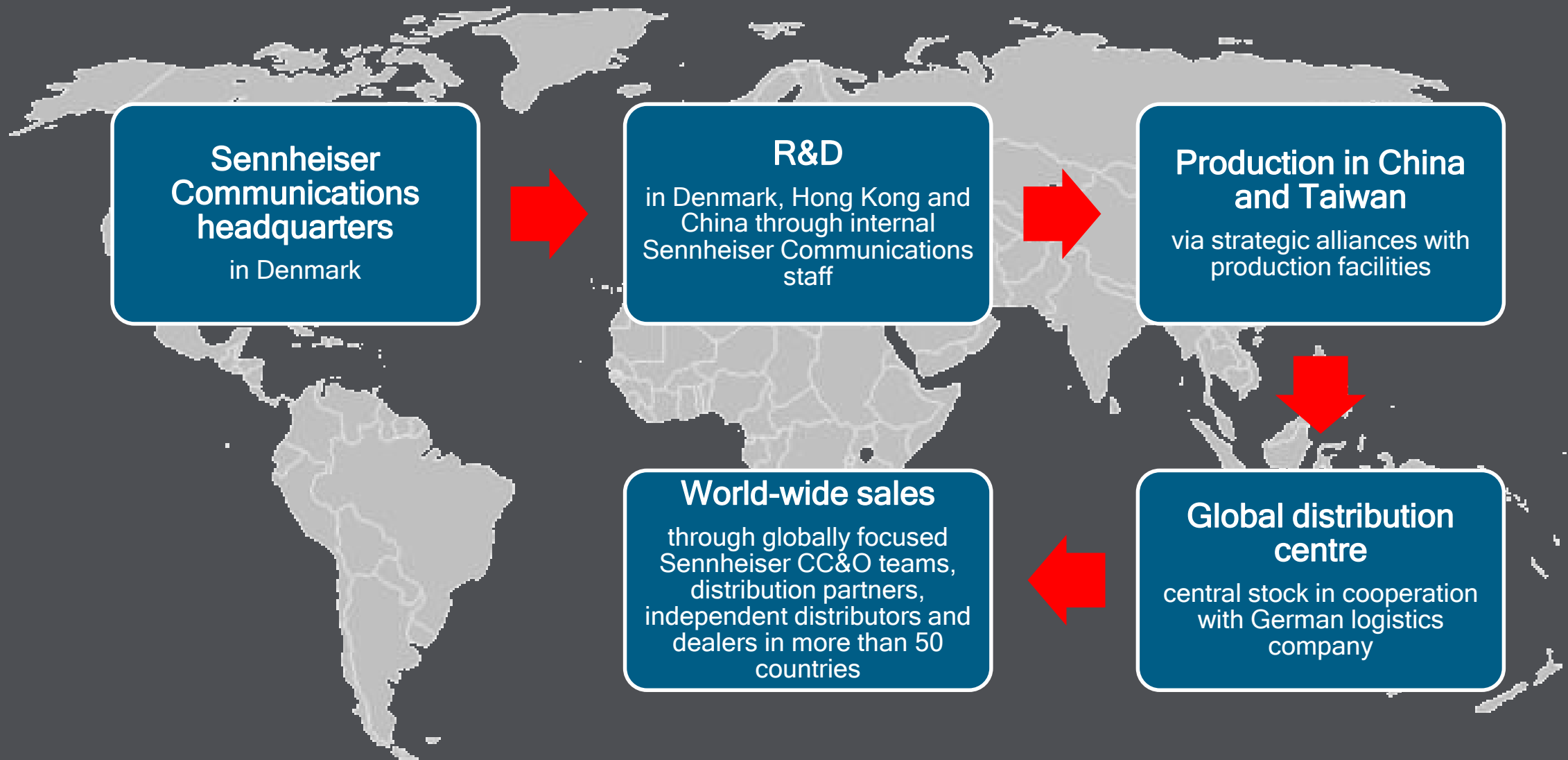


- R&D
 - Miniaturisation
 - Noise cancelling
 - DSP
 - Wireless technology
 - Speech intelligibility
- Back office
 - IT, HR, Legal, Finance, Quality etc.

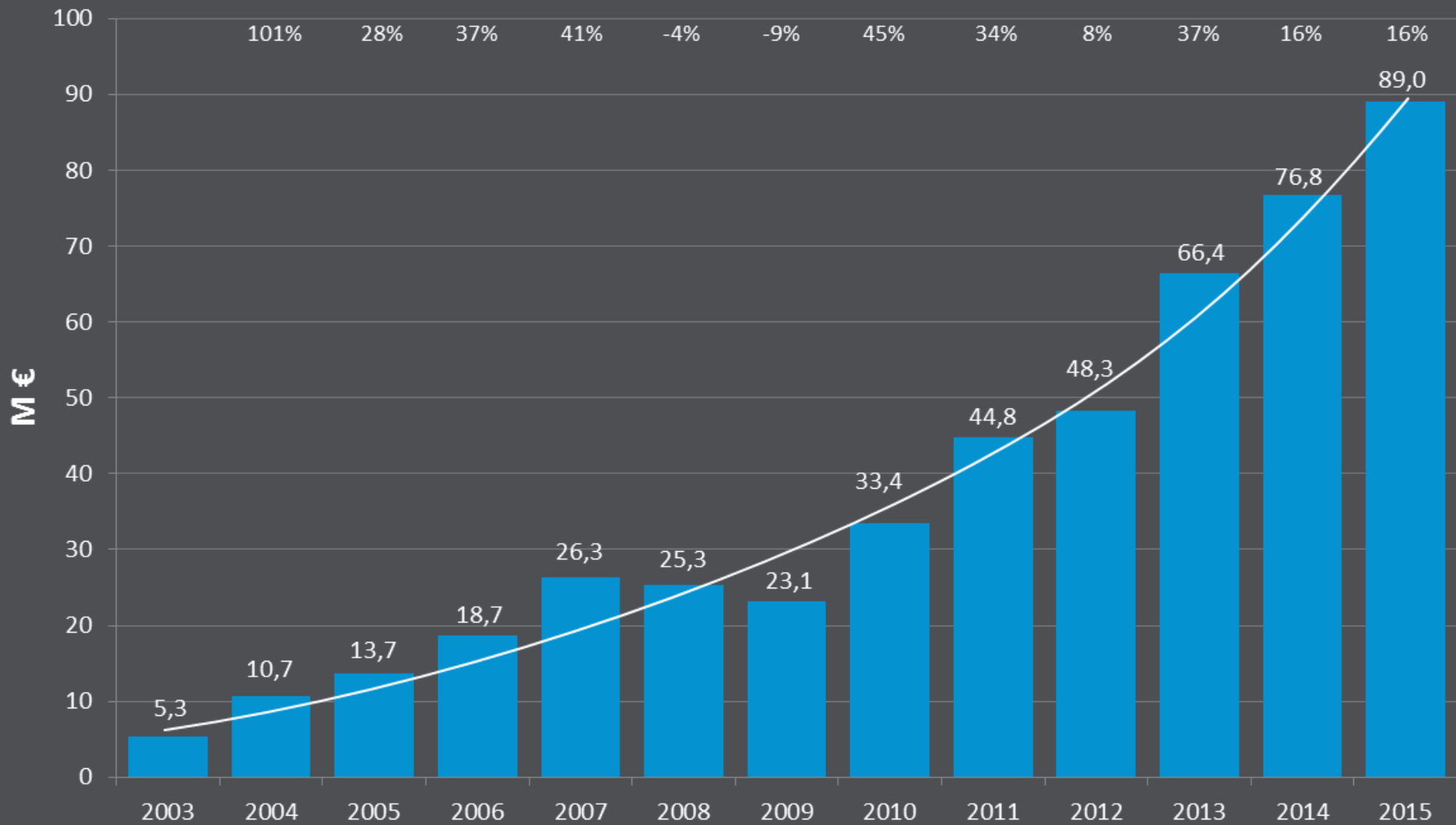


William Demant

A global set-up



Total year revenue - out of factory



CAGR 26.5%

Actual exchange rates

Business segments

Contact Centre and Office (CC&O)



Wired
Wireless

Consumer mobile



Mobile communication
Mobile music

Gaming



Gaming
Music and entertainment
VoIP

Gaming

- Growing market - growth rate of 7-8% (-2019)*
- Premium positioning
- Trends → VR and 3D sound
- Gaming platforms





*Research and Markets 2015



Gaming headsets



SENNHEISER
ASSASSIN'S CREED
SOUNDSCAPE

PS4 PS3 XBOX ONE XBOX 360  

THE SOUND GAMES ARE MADE OF

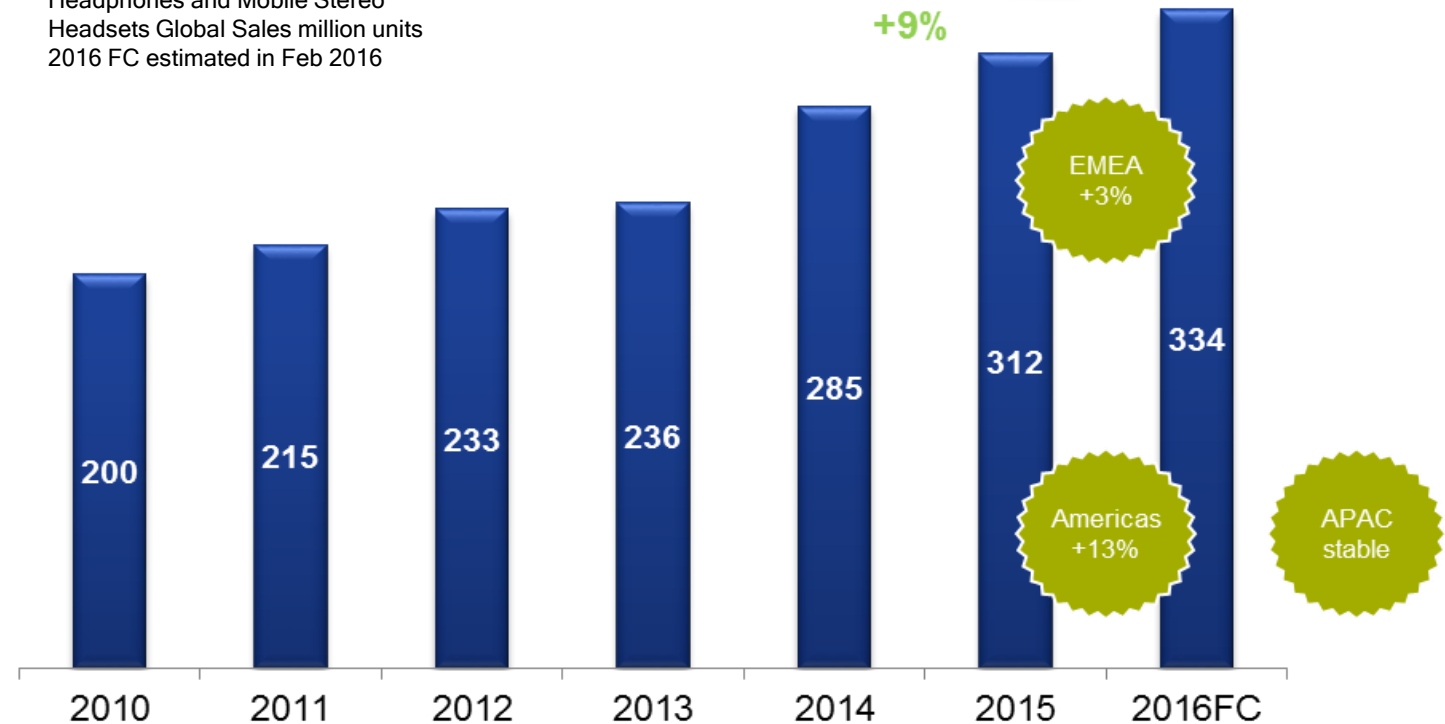


Mobile music headsets

- Total market size expected to exceed USD 13bn by the end of 2016*
- Well established premium brand
- Trends:
 - Increased use of smartphones and music applications (Spotify, YouTube, Twitch etc.)
 - Premium positioning



Headphones and Mobile Stereo
Headsets Global Sales million units
2016 FC estimated in Feb 2016



Source: EPSNews*

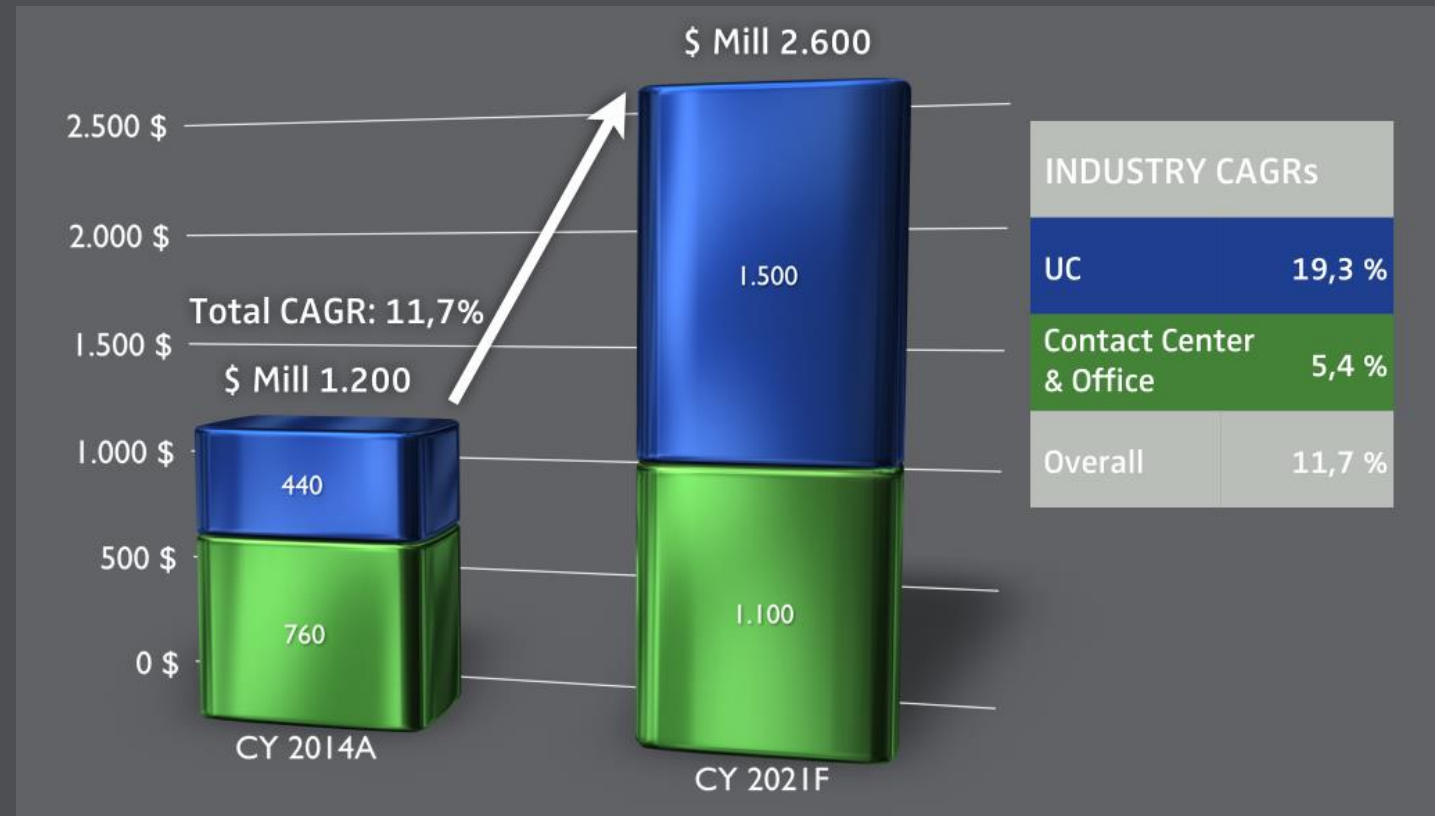
Mobile communication/music headphones



Contact Centre & Office

Global industry revenue expectations CY14-CY21

- UC trend is driving growth
- Our expectation: CAGR of approx. 10%



Source: Frost & Sullivan, 2014

From “simple phone accessory” to a “complex IT device”

2003 → Desk phone telephony

- Wired headsets
- One-product strategy
- Deskphone interoperability



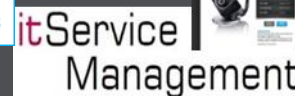
2010 → Internet telephony

- BT product category
- DECT product category
- USB product category
- Speaker phone product category
- Development and maintenance of wireless product platforms



2014 → UC telephony

- Cloud-based IT solutions
- Ecosystems with diagnostics, configuration, asset management etc.
- Flexible swapping of calls between multiple platforms (mobile, tablet, PC and Mac)
- Interoperability with multiple phone vendors (Skype4B, Cisco, Avaya etc.)
- Global regulatory compliance
- Fighting noise in open-office environments
- Encryption
- Internet of things
- Contextual intelligence



Key to success



Full product portfolio



Strategic partnerships



Global impact



IT eco systems

Unified Communications - changes the way we work



Desk Worker

When you spend less than 10% of your time away from your desk and you're not required to answer calls away from your workstation.



Office Worker

When you need to be able to handle calls while away from your desk – although you probably spend most of your time at your workstation.



Mobile Worker

When you have no dedicated office desk and no fixed location but should be available while on the road.



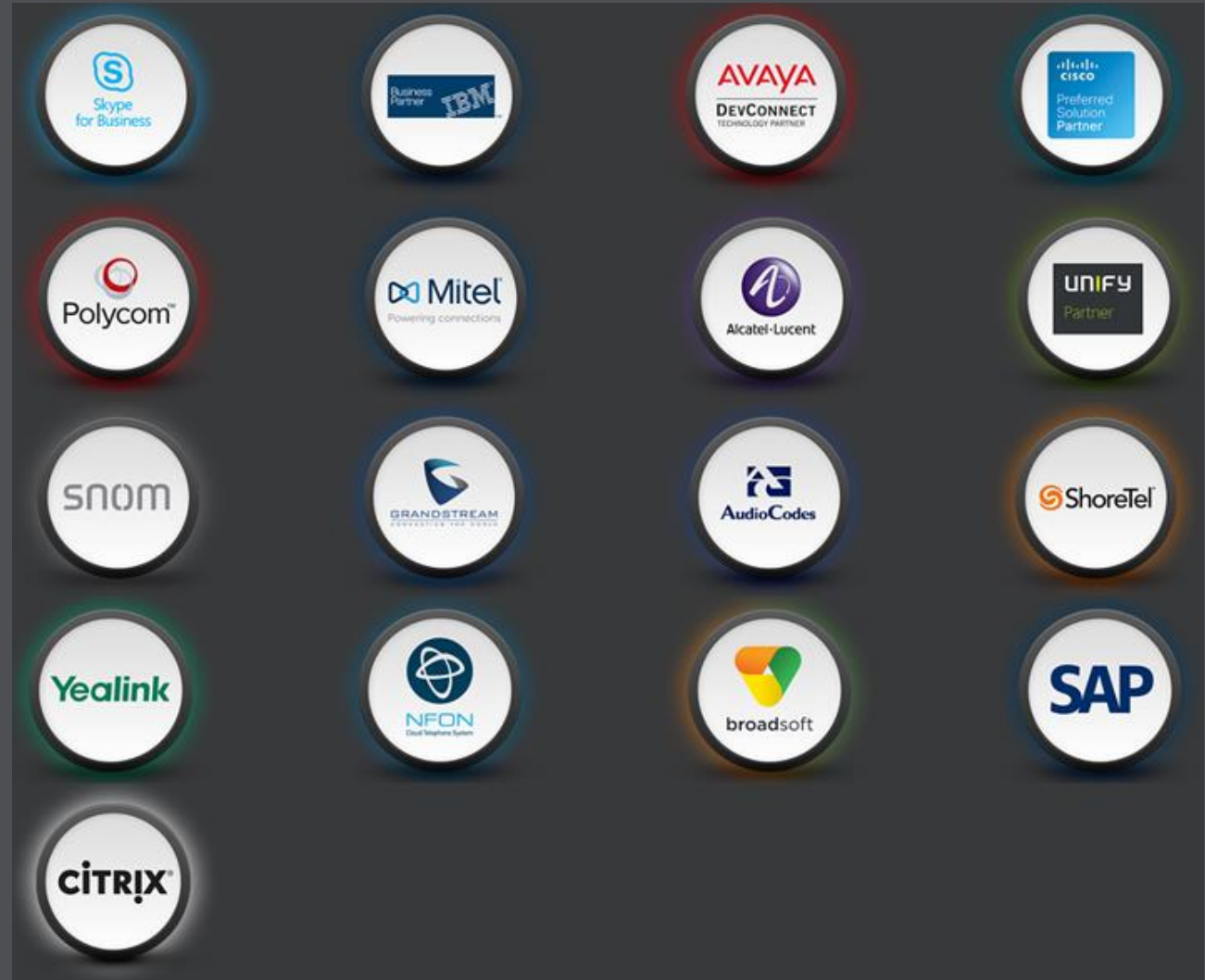
Trends

- **Open-office environments** continue to emerge, prompting professionals to seek business grade headsets to boost productivity
- **Multiple Device Integration** becomes the centre of Unified Communications; seamless interaction between all devices will be crucial
- The importance of **software** for enterprise communication devices is growing, leading to new wireless solutions, features and capabilities in professional headsets



Strategic alliance partners

- Certification and compatibility with latest software deployments
 - Warranty
- Long-term relationships
 - Sales
 - Marketing
 - R&D
- Integrated solutions ensuring a smooth and productive user experience



Global impact

- True global partner
 - GLOBAL: Ability to make global deals - terms and conditions, service level agreements
 - LOCAL: Product fulfilment and delivery of premium service and support

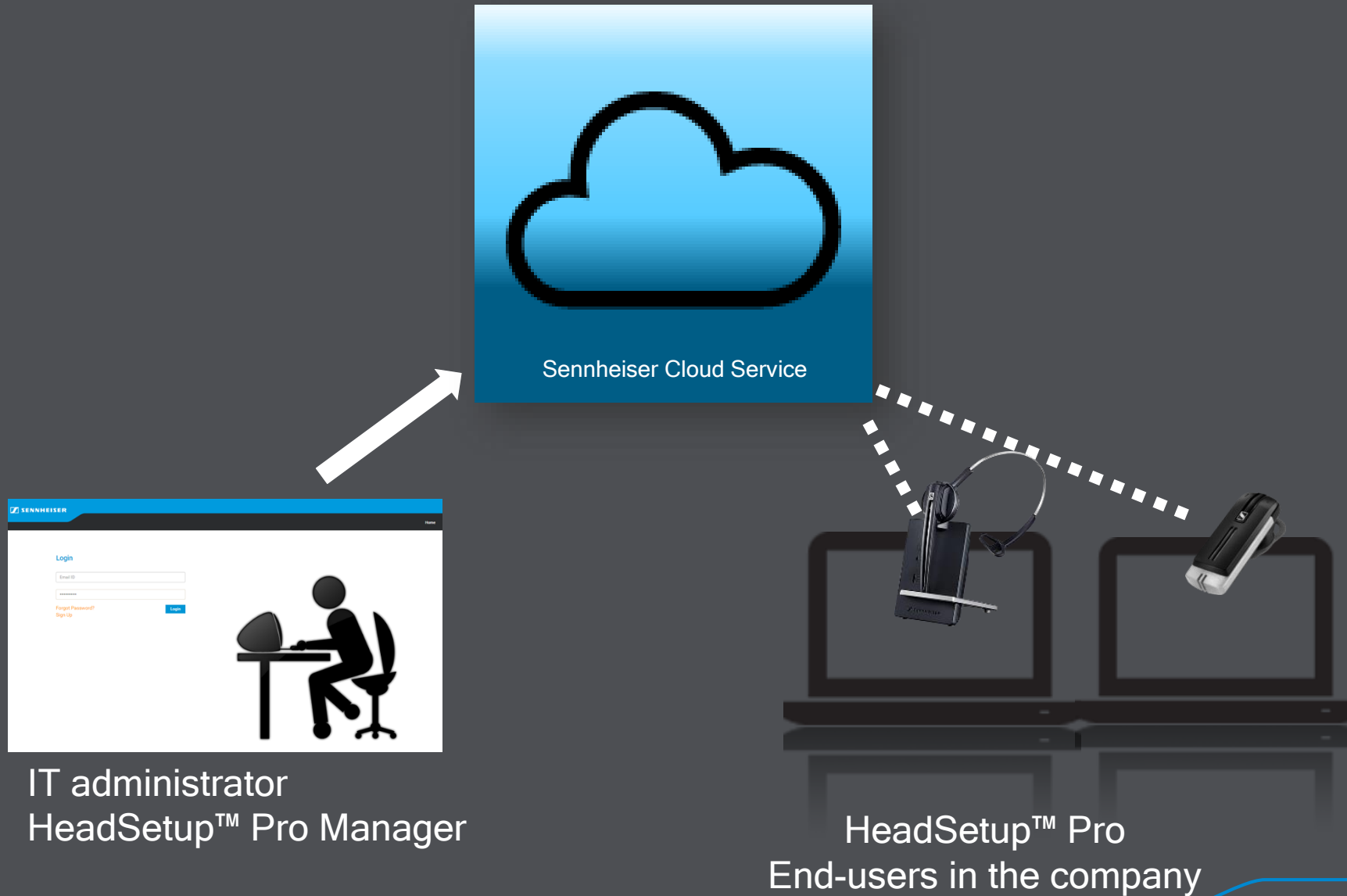


IT eco systems

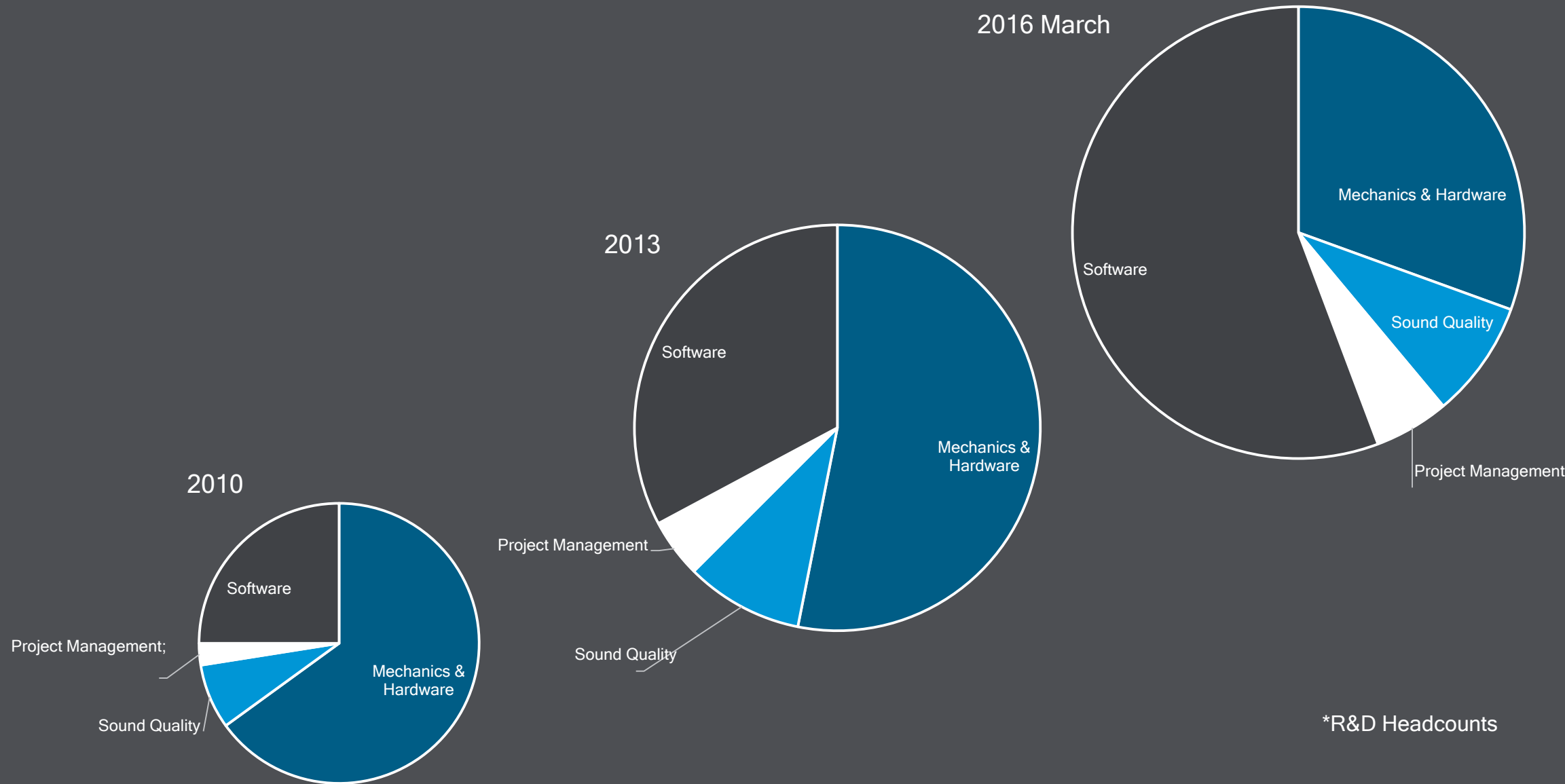
- Device management software
- HeadSetup™ Pro Manager - cloud-based IT management tool
- Important for winning large UC deals
- Centralised, efficient overview and management of CC&O products



HeadSetup™ Pro Manager



R&D competence development



*R&D Headcounts

Key to success - from products to solutions



Full product portfolio



Strategic partnerships



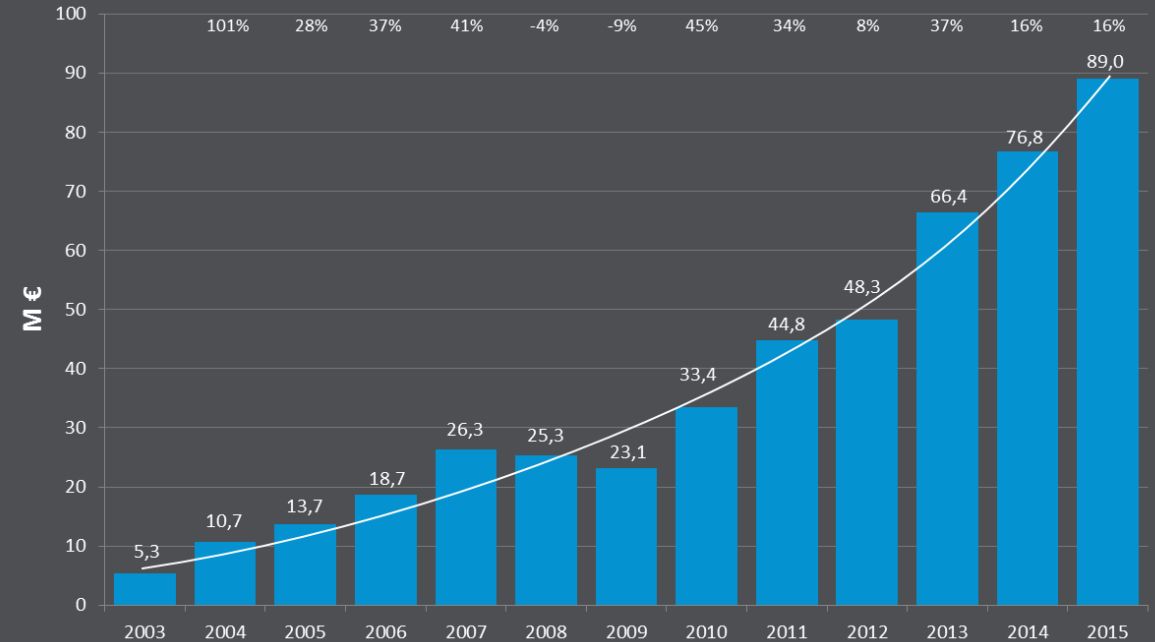
Global impact



IT eco systems

Conclusion

- Attractive market conditions
- Foundation based on synergies
- Complete premium product portfolio
- From products to solutions
- Global focus and reach



→ GEARED FOR CONTINUOUS GROWTH

Questions?



Thank you



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Capital Market Days 2016 Agenda

Søren B. Andersson
VP IR, William Demant



Agenda

08:30	Registration and breakfast
09:00	Welcome and agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Søren B. Andersson</i>
09:15	Hearing Implants <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Jes Olsen</i>
10:30	Product demonstrations
11:30	Lunch
12:30	DGS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>René Schneider</i>
13:30	Oticon Opn <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Søren Nielsen and Thomas Behrens</i>
14:30	Final remarks and Q&A



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Hearing Implants

Jes Olsen

President, Hearing Implants



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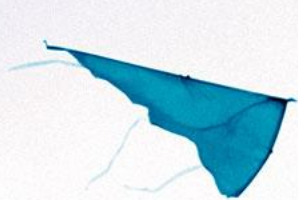
Curriculum

- Born 1960
- B.Sc. in electronic engineering and electroacoustics
- Employed with the William Demant Group since 1986
- General Manager, Oticon AB, Stockholm 1993-1996
- Various senior management roles in Oticon, including Vice President of R&D, 1997-2008
- President, Hearing Implants since 2008



Agenda

- Hearing implant market
- Our hearing implant journey
- Our strategic ambition
- Technology, innovation and products
- Roadmap principles
- Global distribution
- Q&A

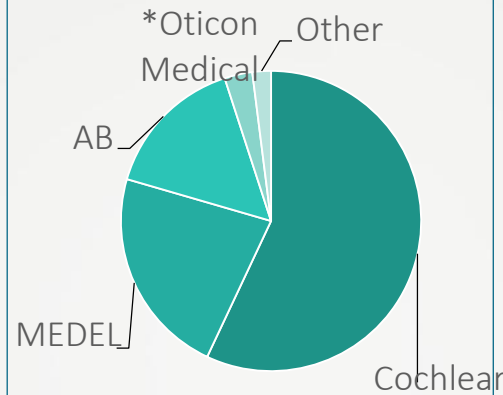
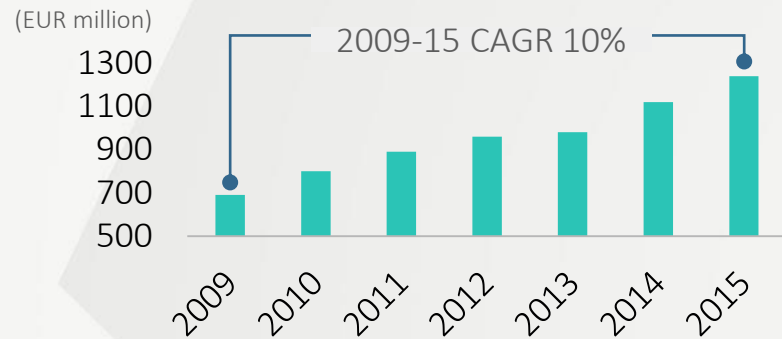


Hearing implant market

Strong fundamental growth drivers



Cochlear implant (CI) market

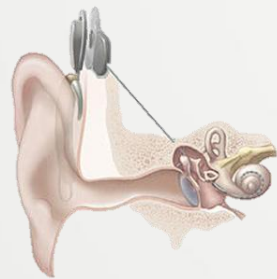


2.5%

of all aged 75+ have a hearing loss that qualifies them as CI candidates

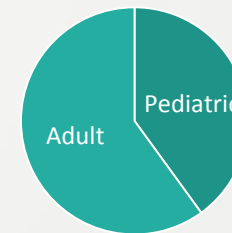


130K+ potential new CI candidates per year with severe/profound hearing loss



Growth drivers

Education, reimbursement, new indications, new markets, innovation, ageing population



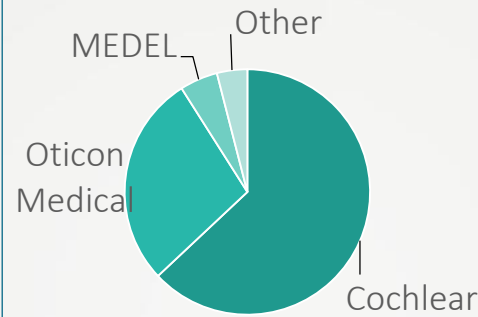
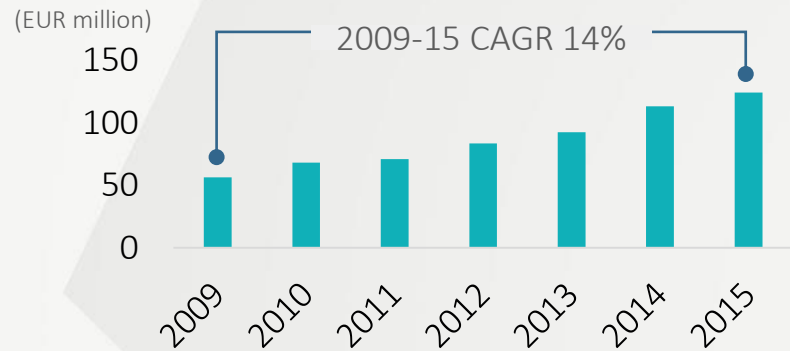
40/60 split between paediatrics/adults in a market of ~55K implantations per year



Total market size of EUR 1.2bn and estimated annual growth rate of 10-12%

*Oticon Medical is present in a limited part of the global CI market and has only recently been approved to sell in several key European markets.

Bone-anchored hearing systems (BAHS) market

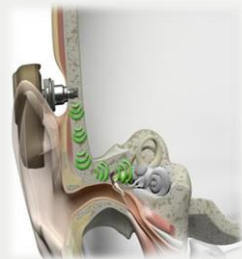


~5%

Penetration rate and only approx. 25K implantations per year

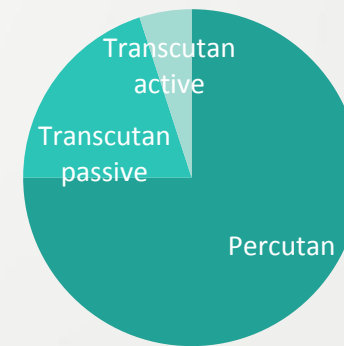


150K+ users across the world and fastest growing hearing implant segment

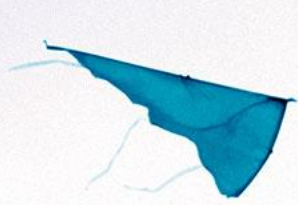


Growth drivers

Education, awareness, reimbursement, innovation, cosmetics



Total market size of EUR 125m and estimated annual growth rate of 10-15%



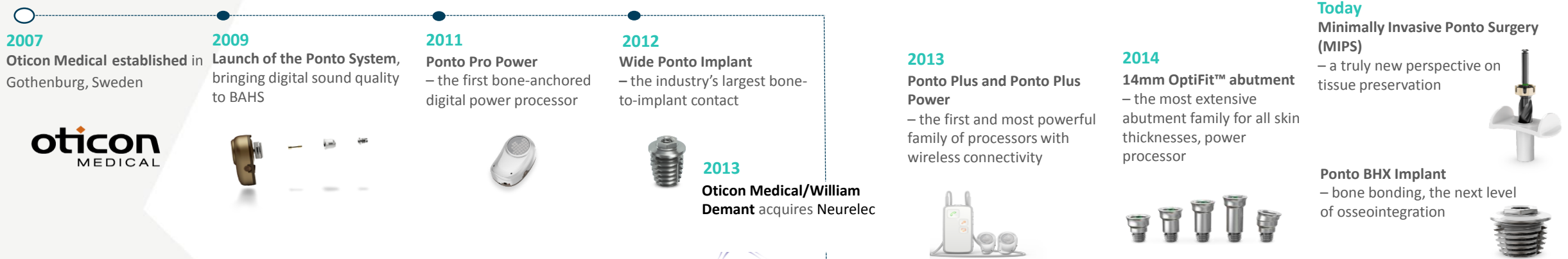
William Demant Hearing Implants

Journey and strategic ambition

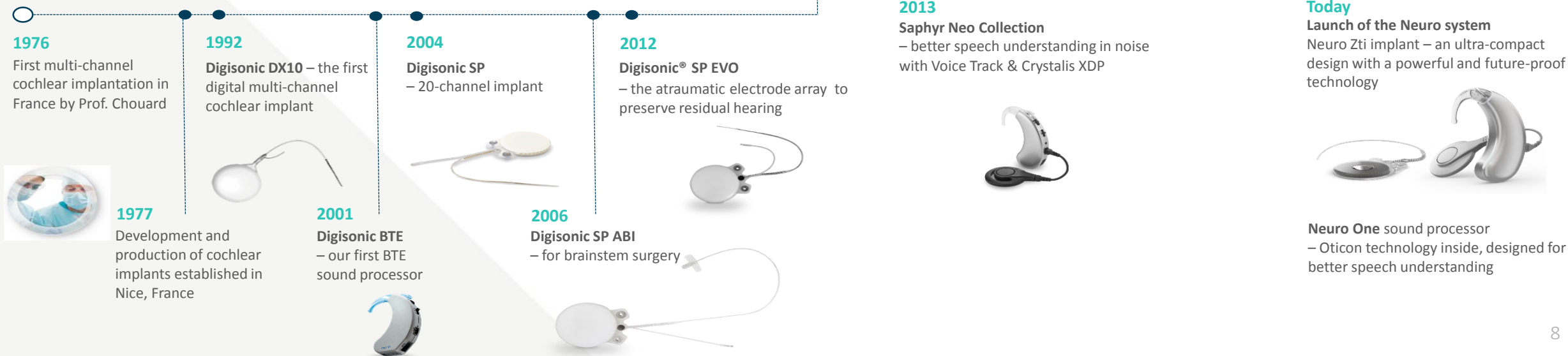


William Demant's hearing implant journey

Bone-anchored hearing systems (BAHS)



Cochlear Implant Systems (CI)



Our strong position

Long-term ambition of becoming a leading hearing implant company

William Demant Group synergies

- The power house of hearing
- Research capabilities
- Technological power and clinical support tools
- Financial strength and global distribution
- Patient support

Strong know-how to create new growth

- Century-long history in sound processing and audiology
- Three decades of cochlear implant experience
- Decades of bone-anchored experience in the organisation
- Successful track record and experienced senior management team

William Demant's Hearing Implant organisation

Strong and complementary local competencies

Nice

- Neuro stimulation and CI audiology
- Hearing implant technology
- Class 3 manufacturing and OC

Copenhagen

- Audiology and signal processing
- Design of externals and micro mechanics
- Fitting software, firmware and usability

Gothenburg

- BAHS implant technology
- BAHS audiology
- Vibrator technology





Technology and innovation

Product update and roadmap principles



CI Neuro update

Designed for a future of sound

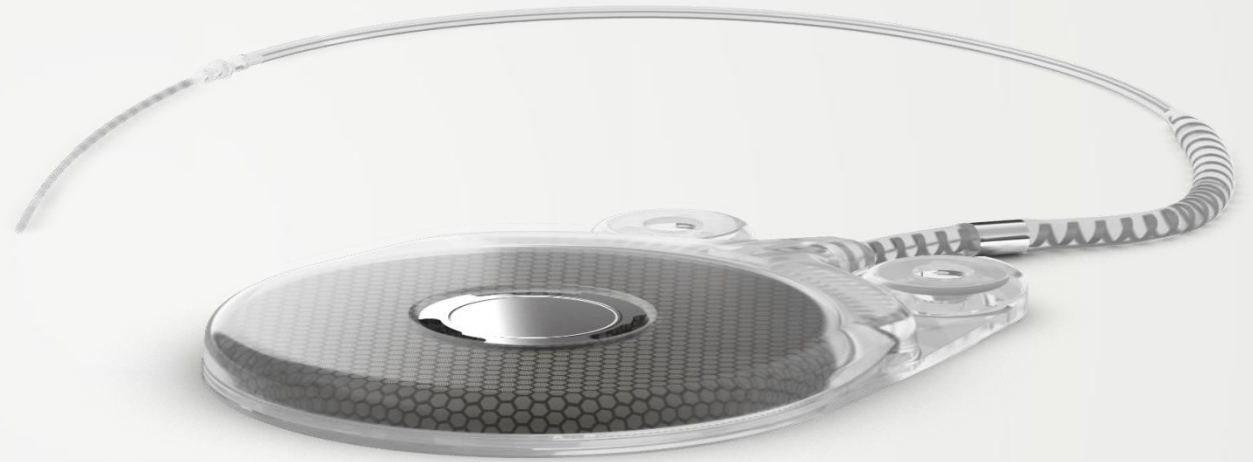
- 130+ patients in more than 10 countries
- Excellent feedback from surgeons
- Good audiological outcomes – even though it is still early days
- No implant failures after implantation
- No hardware design errors detected in neither implant nor BTE
- New fitting software and firmware with small improvements in fitting flow and usability released end of March
- Takes time because of training, monitoring and new clinics



CI Neuro Zti

The receiver

- Overall Impression
 - Ergonomics: 9.0/10
 - Ease of use: 9.0/10
 - Compactness: 9.0/10
 - Profile/Height: 8.9/10
- General design highly appreciated
- Everybody really appreciated
 - The compactness of the device (small surgical footprint and low height)
 - The general ergonomics of the device
 - The ease to handle and insert under the skin
- The average mark for the ergonomics is currently 9.0/10, equivalent to very good



CI Neuro Zti

Fixation screws

- Evaluation details
 - Stabilisation of the receiver on the skull: 8.9/10
 - Ease of use: 10/10
 - Efficiency: 9.3/10
- Surgeons very much appreciated the screw fixation system
 - Rated as being easy to use, very convenient, easily and efficiently stabilising the receiver on the surface of the skull
- The average mark of the fixation system is currently a 9.39/10, equivalent to very good.



CI Neuro Zti

The EVO electrode array

- Overall impression
 - Lead: 7.9/10
 - Ease of insertion: 6.9/10
 - Softness: 7.2/10
- All surgeries were performed with the EVO electrode, and it is generally very well perceived
- The "lead" being rated as very good
- The softness of atraumatic arrays can sometimes be a challenge, playing on the ease of insertion; experience with the array plays a role
- The average mark for the EVO electrode array is currently a 7.38/10, i.e. equivalent to good



CI end-user stories

Neuro CI user after activation and first experiences



"I'm able to answer my grandchildren's many questions and can keep up with their conversations, even though they tend to go off in all directions."

- Karin Christiansen, Neuro CI, left

"One month after it was fitted, my boyfriend read to me from a book and I listened – just with the cochlear implant – and I could understand it! I remember thinking, why on earth has he chosen that book?"

"The cochlear implant had a huge impact on my mental well-being. I insist on wearing my sound processor all the time."

"I can also focus better on speech, even if there's background noise, as the sounds don't run into each other."

*Video requires internet (link to YouTube)

CI roadmap principles

More competitive, step-by-step



Step #1 Getting the most important right

- A competitive, fully modern implant, Neuro Zti
- Competitive and innovative signal processing based on Oticon technology for highest possible outcomes, Neuro One



Step #2 Getting the important details right

- The world's smallest CI BTE, Neuro Two
- More choices of atraumatic electrodes
- Super user-friendly fitting software, Genie CI 1.0
- All accessories for full paediatric use



Step #3 Increasing the gap

- Velox in CI, the internet-connected CI system, CAP v2, the best CI speech performance and sound quality, full EAS functionality, BrainHearing in CI

Neuro 2 – the best sound ever designed

USB powered



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IP 58



For all ages and situations

Swim kit
IP 68



Clip

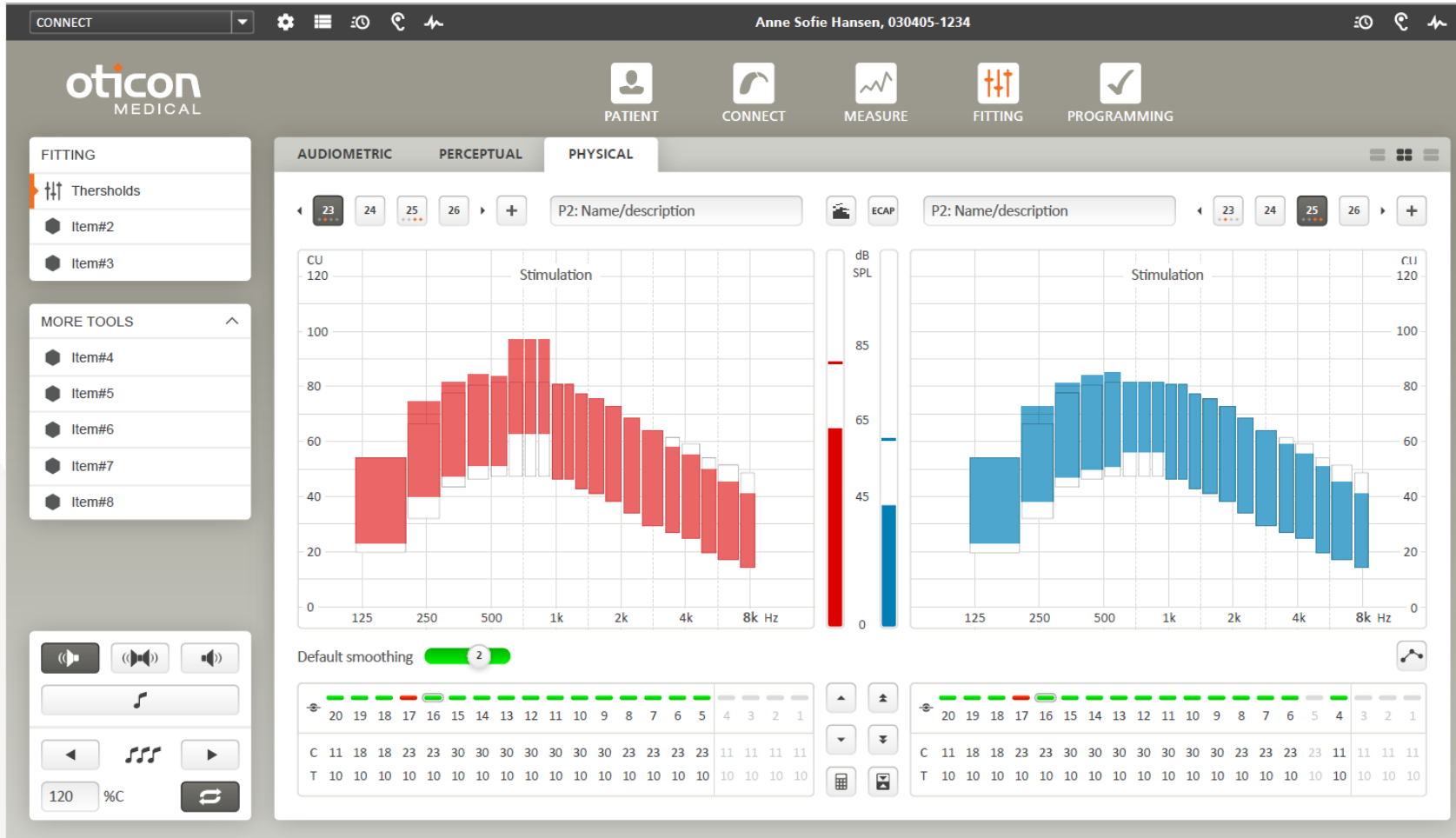


Ear plug retention kit



Safety line

The first Genie Oticon Medical CI



BAHS status

Constant improvements of what is already good

- MIPS
 - A truly new perspective on tissue preservation
 - Has the potential to become the future industry standard surgical method
- Ponto BHX implant
 - Is replacing our classic hearing implant faster than expected
 - Fuels growth because of higher price
 - Several clinical studies under preparation with leading clinics to document benefits in compromised bone and in paediatrics
- Abutment extender
 - Freedom of choice
 - No surgery
 - Seamless fit on existing abutment



BAHS roadmap principles

Three choices for optimum outcome

1

Percutaneous Direct transmission

- Most power and largest flexibility
- Well proven technology with known limitations
- Currently the golden standard of care

2

Active transcutaneous direct transmission

- Best cosmetics and higher patient acceptance
- Higher complexity and price
- Fewer skin complications

3

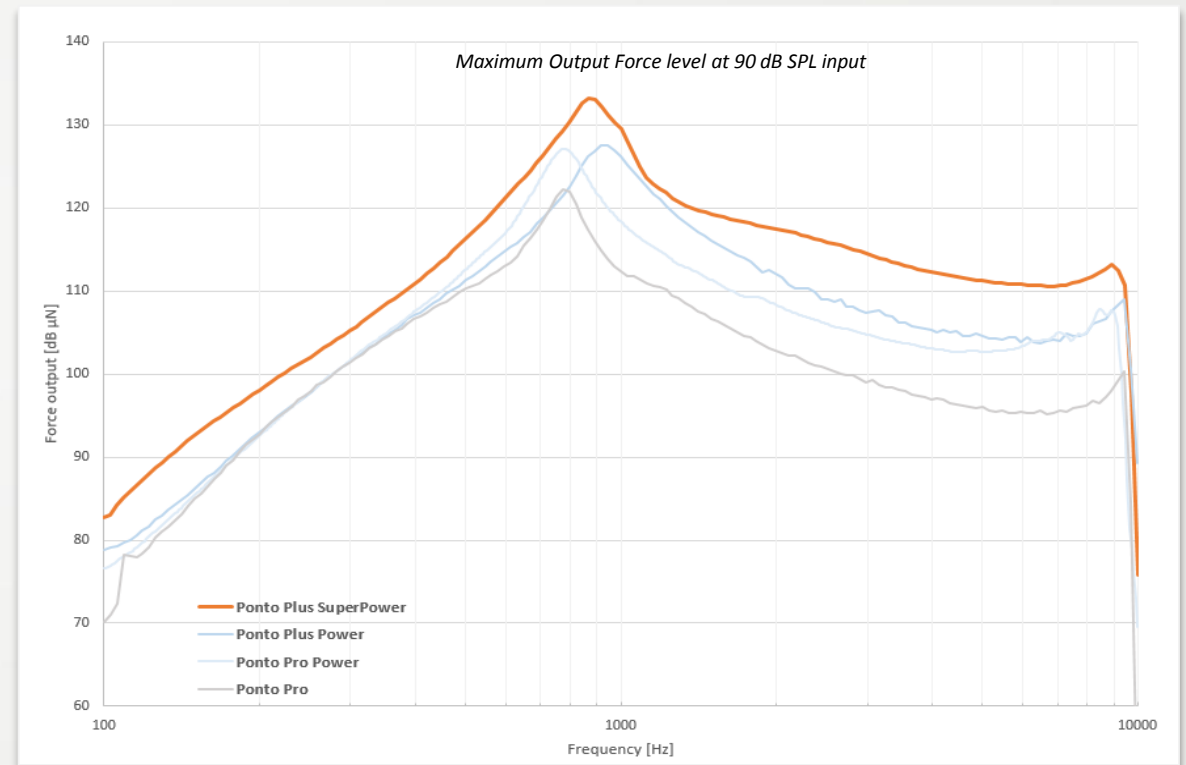
Non-surgical passive skin transmission

- Temporary use or where surgery is not wanted
- Known, but not well understood limitations
- Solely conductive losses

Ponto 3 Super Power

Super Power made beautiful

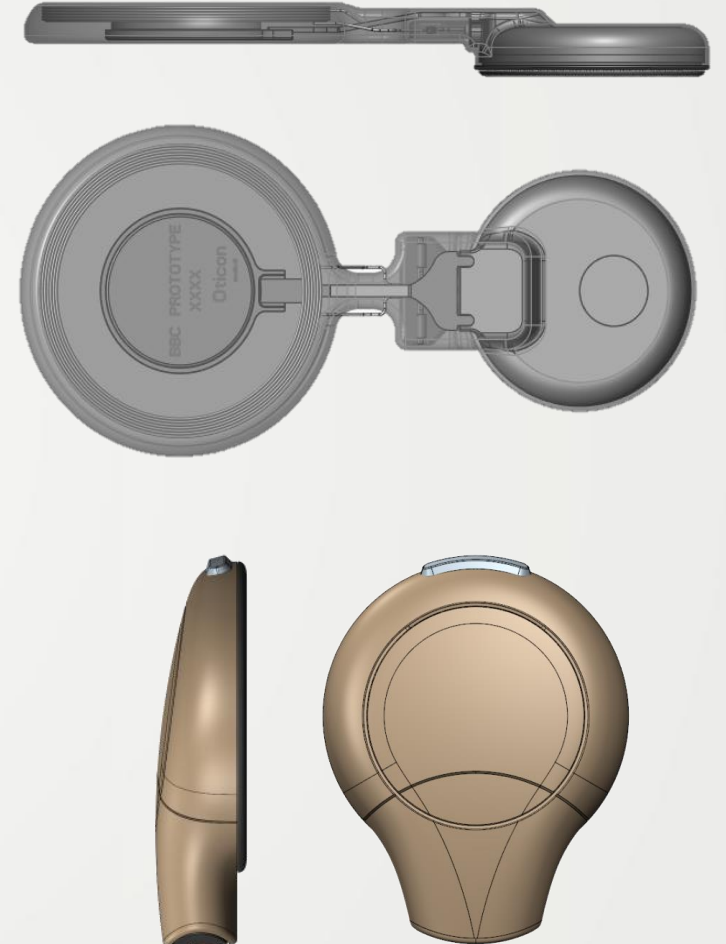
- The world's first abutment level Super Power sound processor
- Fitting range down to 65 dB HL (BC)
- Increased MFO across the entire bandwidth
- No strings attached
- Unique UltraDrive™ technology that boosts the signal to the vibrator
- Updated feedback management system to minimise the risk of feedback

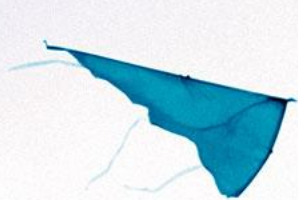


The bone conduction hearing implant

The solution for continuous strong growth of the BAHS Market

- No need for the penetrating abutment – maintains the Ponto sound quality
- Will open up the market for bone conduction solutions
- More invasive surgery
- Training and support
- Higher price





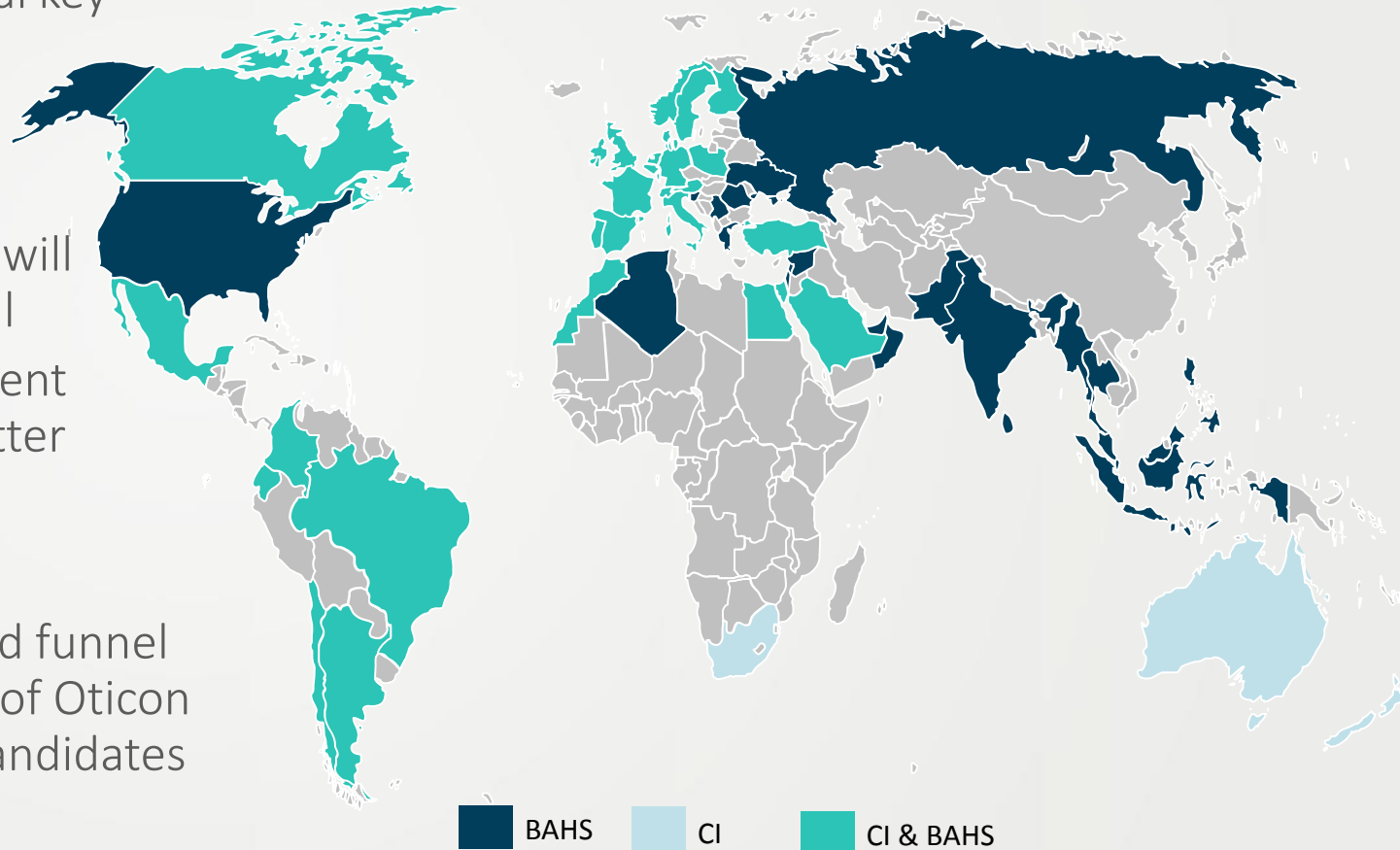
Global distribution

The core of managing a successful hearing implant business



Aiming for global presence

- Only limited global footprint with no access to US and China and just recently approved in several key European markets
- Wholesale
 - All William Demant sales companies and most William Demant distributors will become distributors for Oticon Medical
 - Dedicated experts and sales management provide strong and global coverage better than most competitors
- Retail
 - Identify hearing implant candidates and funnel them to the right experts – thousands of Oticon Super Power BTE users are potential candidates for hearing implants
 - Off load clinics by using retail offices as service centres for users





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DGS

René Schneider
CFO of William Demant



René Schneider

CFO, William Demant

Curriculum

- Born in 1973
- M.Sc. in Economics from Aarhus university
- CFO since 2015
- Employed with the William Demant since 2015



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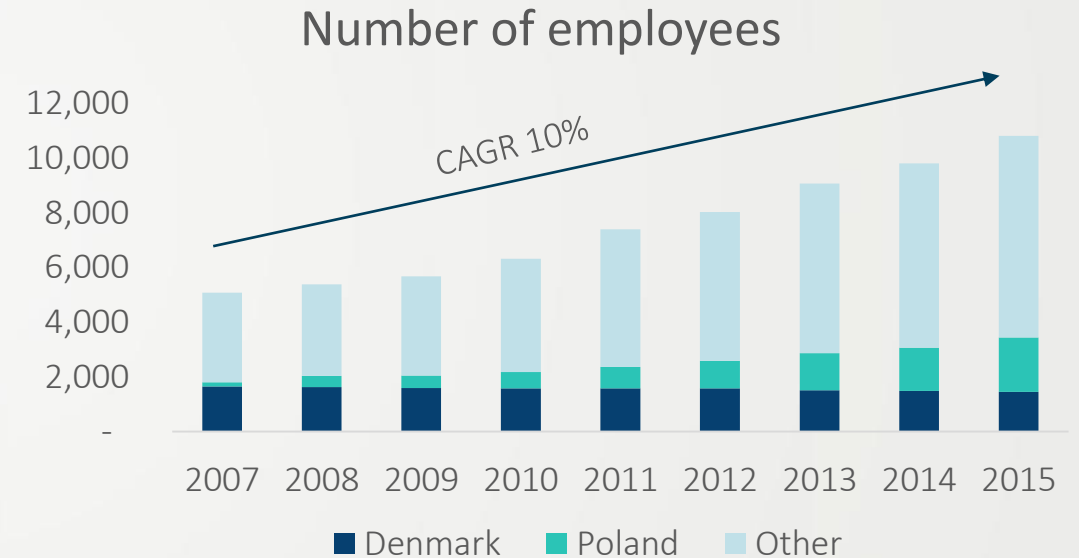
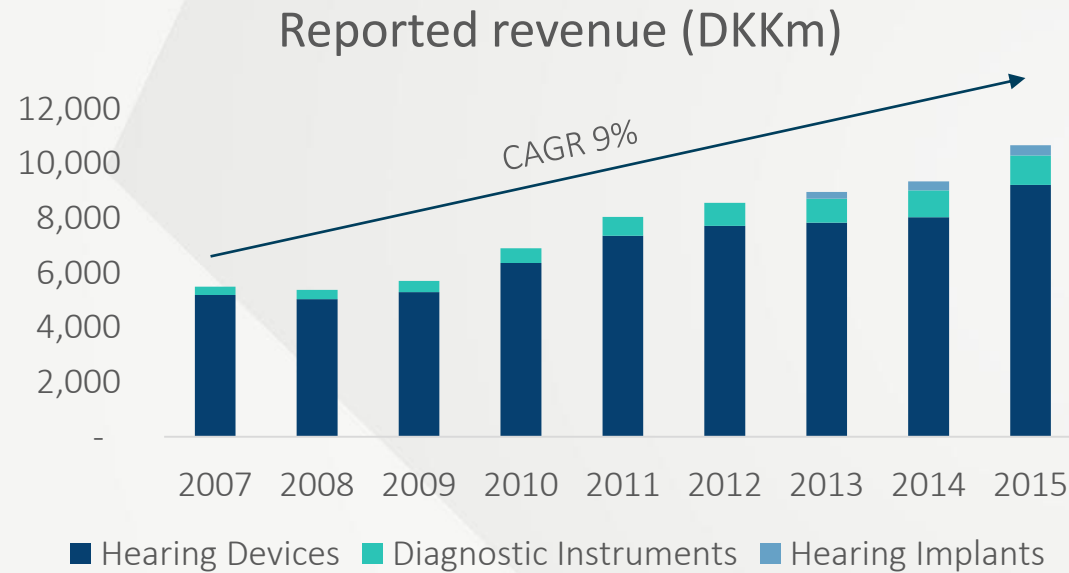
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Introduction to DGS



Need for common infrastructure to support growth



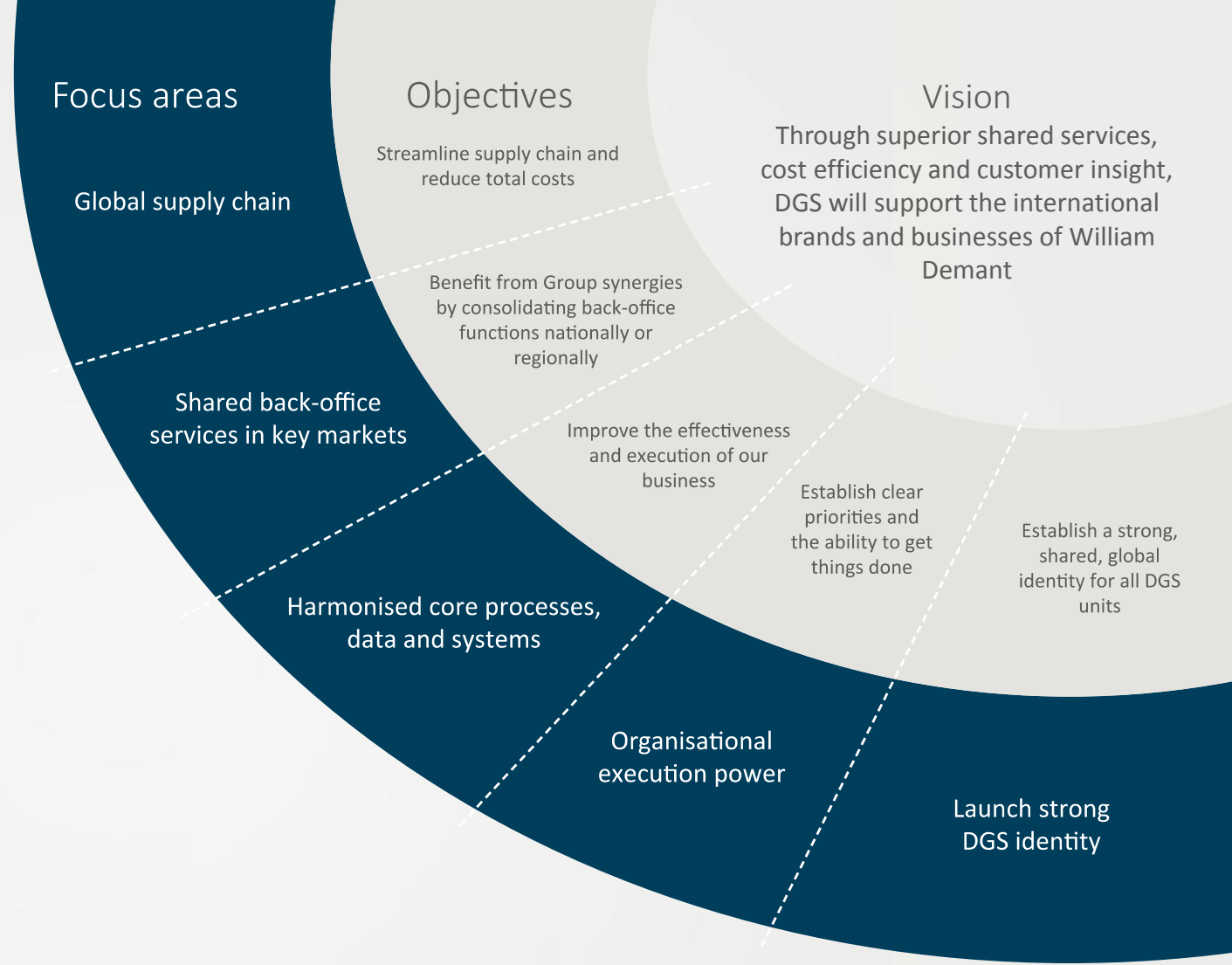
DGS established to effectively support growth

DGS is the identity for the shared services functions in William Demant

William Demant Holding A/S			
Hearing Devices	Hearing Implants	Diagnostic Instruments	Personal Communication
Oticon Bernafon Sonic	Oticon Medical	Maico Interacoustics Amplivox Grason-Stadler MedRx Micromedical	Sennheiser Communications Phonic Ear FrontRow
Shared functions – DGS			
Operational and distribution activities			



DGS vision and values





DGS – Operations



Efficiency improvements have offset lower prices

Expanding industry-leading gross margins despite lower prices

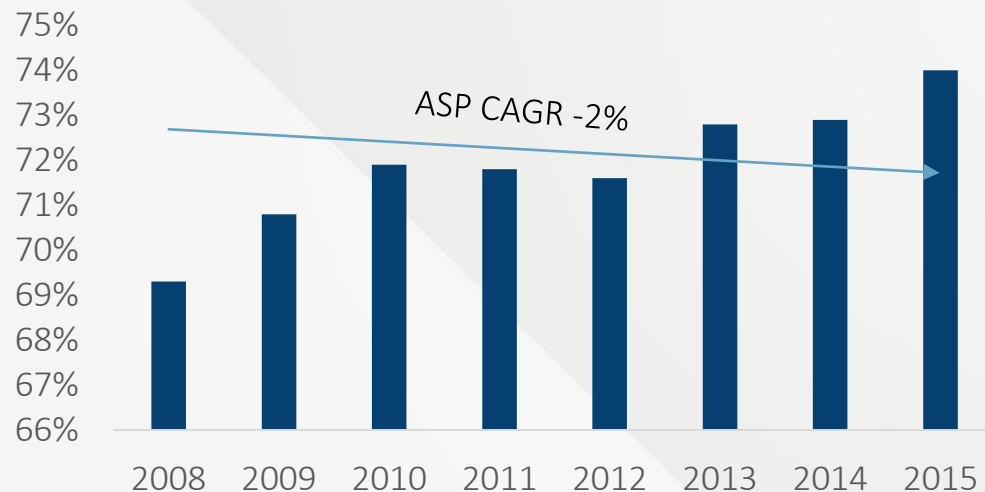
Lower prices
(negative for gross margin)

Operational efficiency
(positive for gross margin)

Economies of scale
(positive for gross margin)

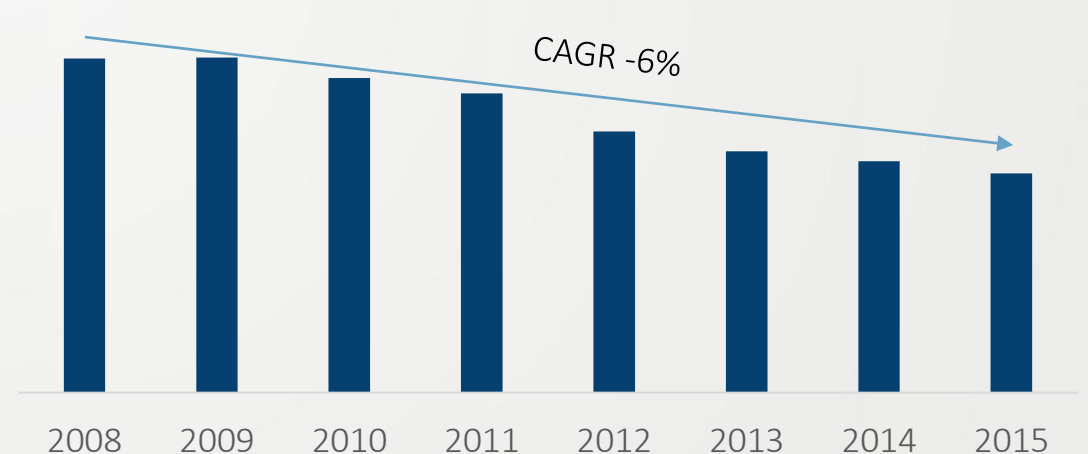
Retail acquisitions
(positive for gross margin)

Gross margin development



Note: ASPs (RHS) are based on constant exchange rates

Hearing aid cost per unit



Note: Standard products are based on constant exchange rates

Global operations footprint

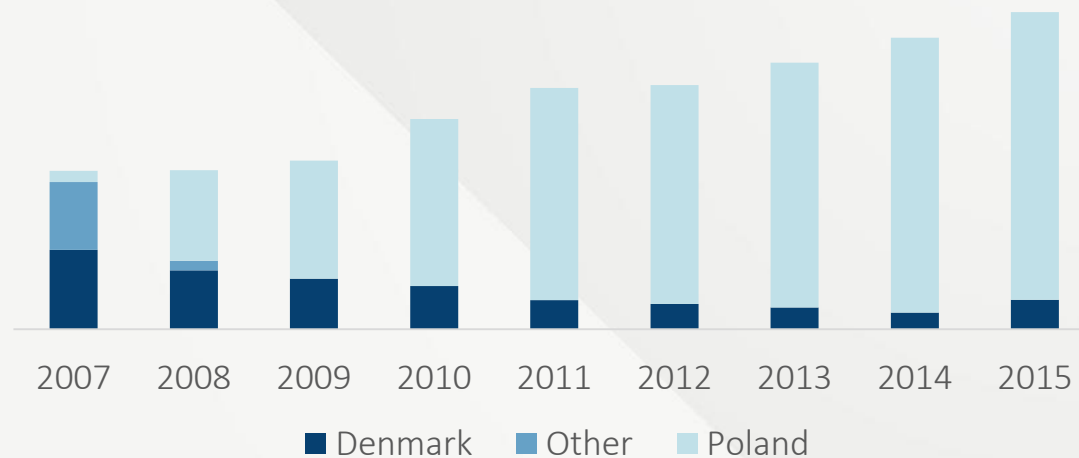
- Economies of scale
- Central production
- Future ambition to build three main production hubs



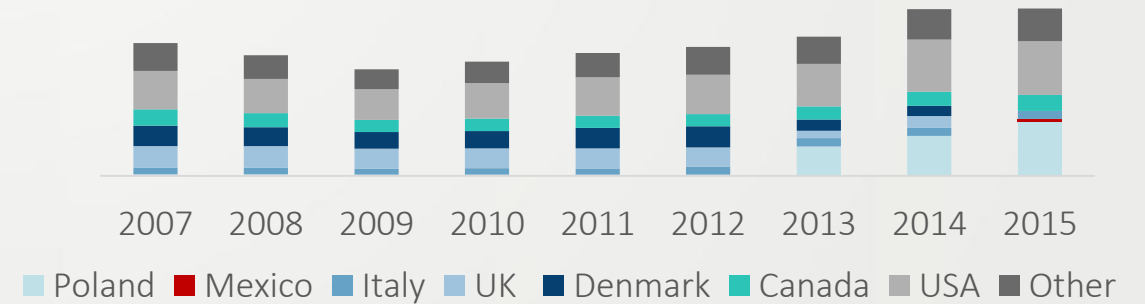
Global locations: Poland, Mexico

Major local locations: Denmark, Italy, Germany, France, USA, Canada, China, Korea, Australia and Japan

Standard production

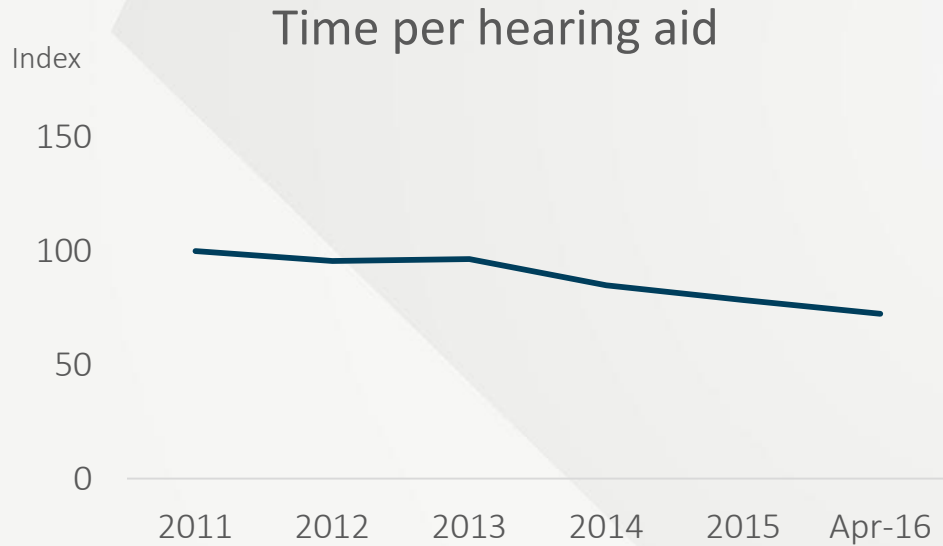


Custom production

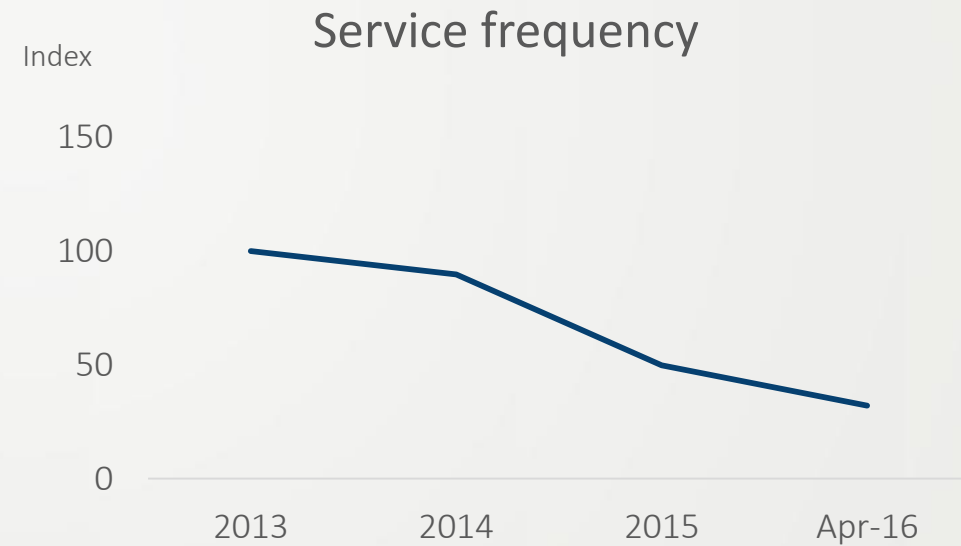


State-of-the-art hearing aid manufacturing

Lean set-up: Designed for manufacturing



Introduction of nanocoating in 2013



Example: Oticon US RITE
Note: 2013 = Index 100

European central hub in Poland

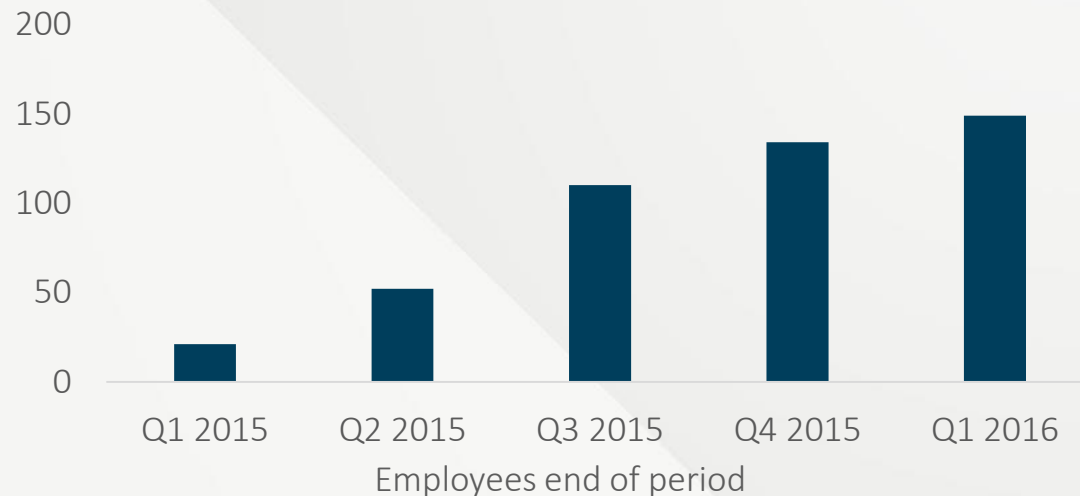
- ~2,000 employees
- High productivity
- Knowledge sharing
- Design for manufacturing
- Flexible and fast ramp-up
- Access to labour



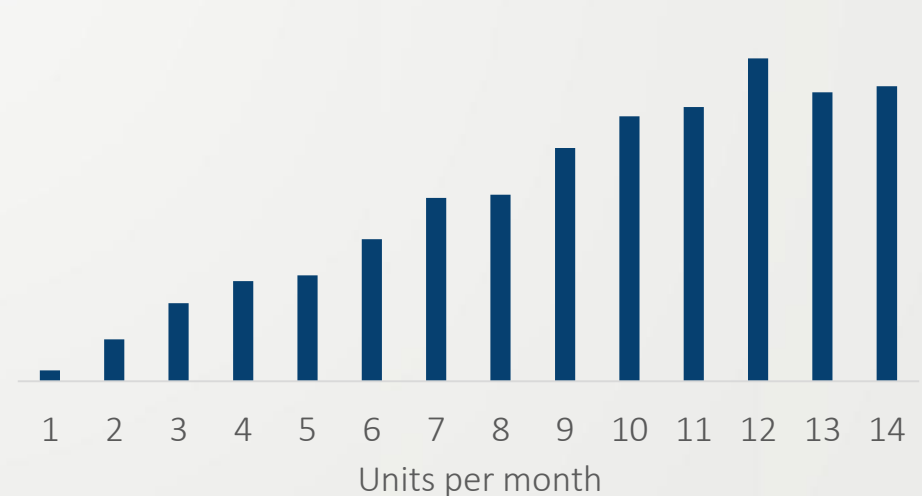
Custom production established in Mexico

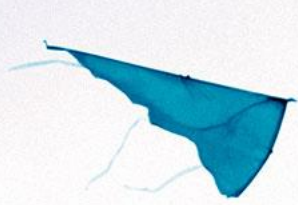
- ~200 employees by end of 2016
- Flexible and fast ramp-up
- Access to labour

Operations employees in Mexico



Production ramp-up in Mexico

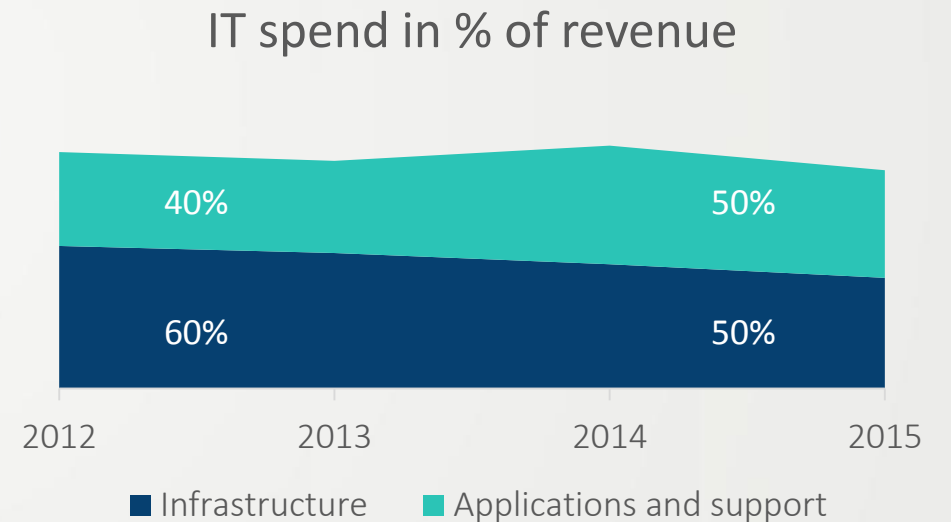
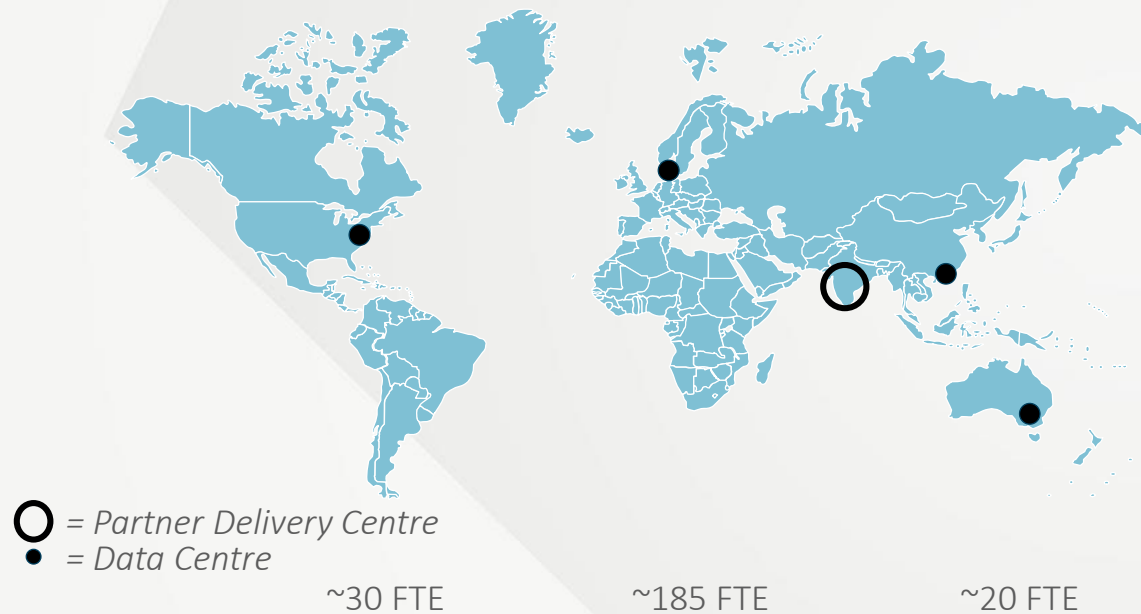




DGS – IT



IT costs in control and investment in new ERP system

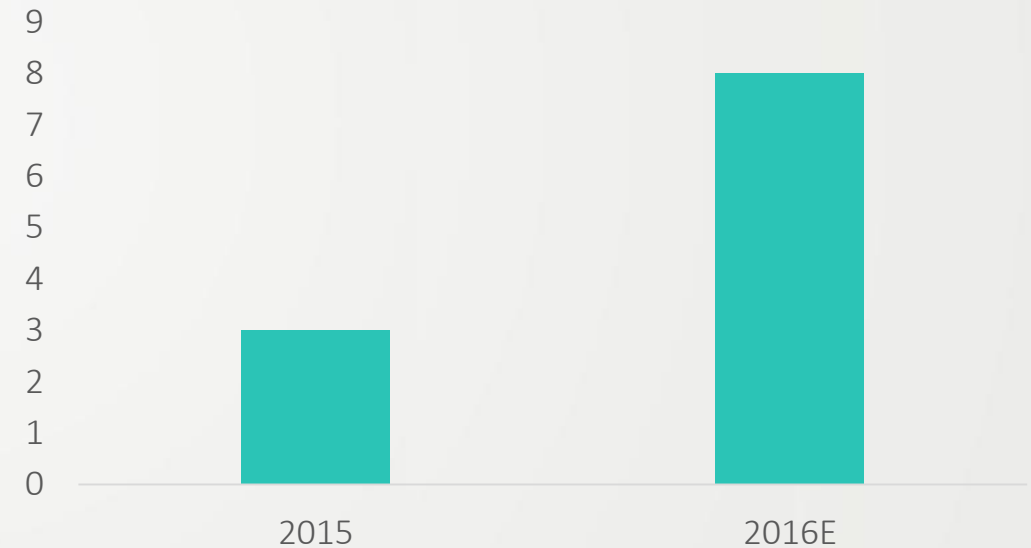


Rolling out a global ERP system

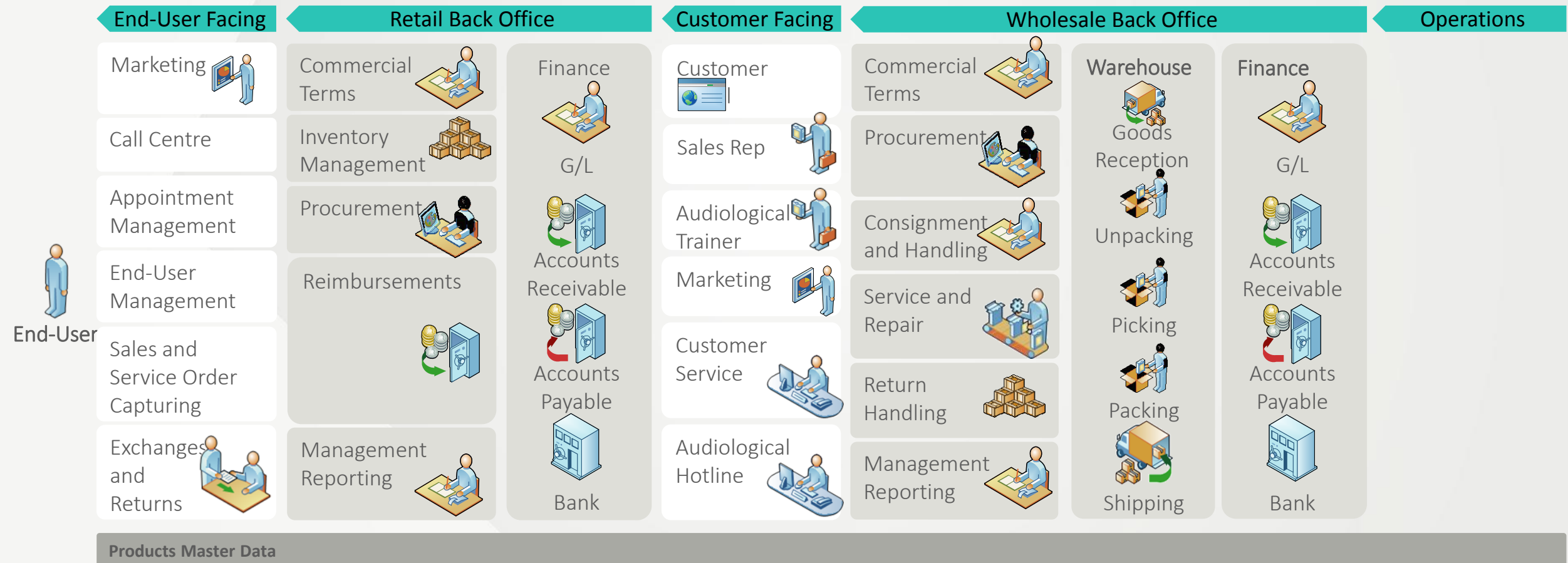
Integrated ERP and business process deployment

- Low costs
- Low risk
- Country-by-country approach

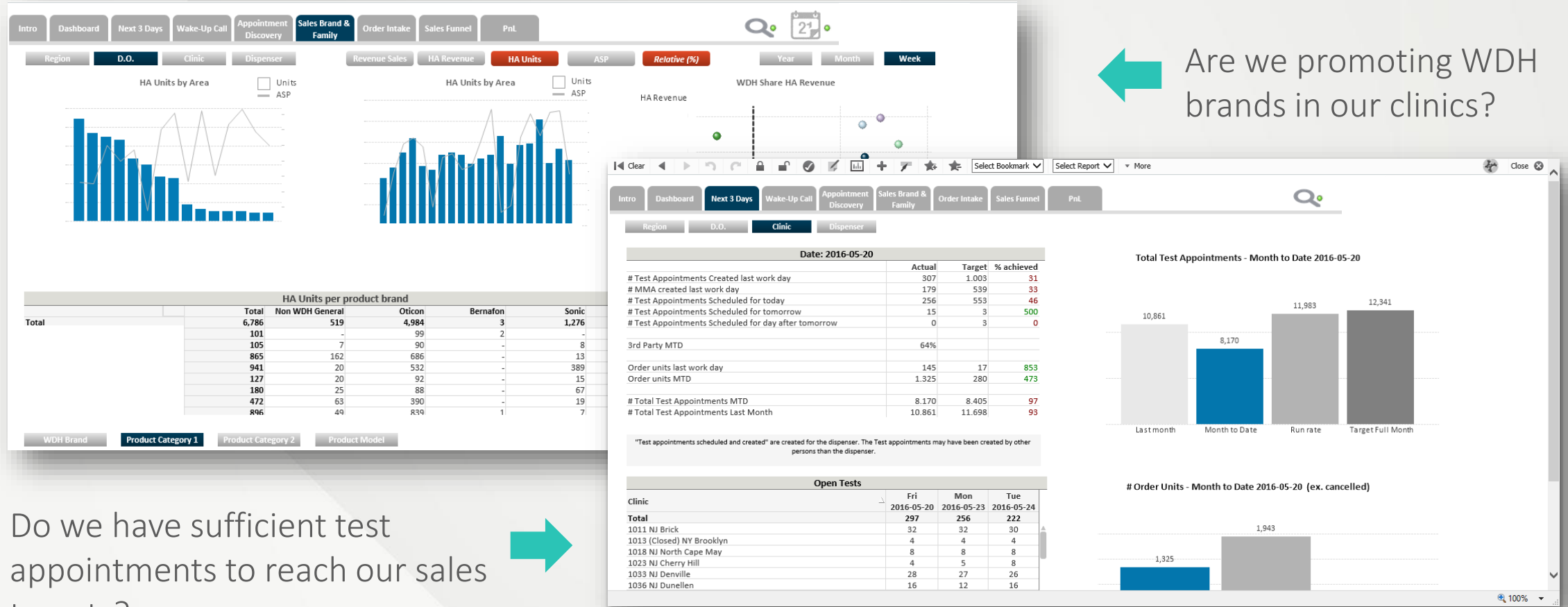
Global ERP system go live



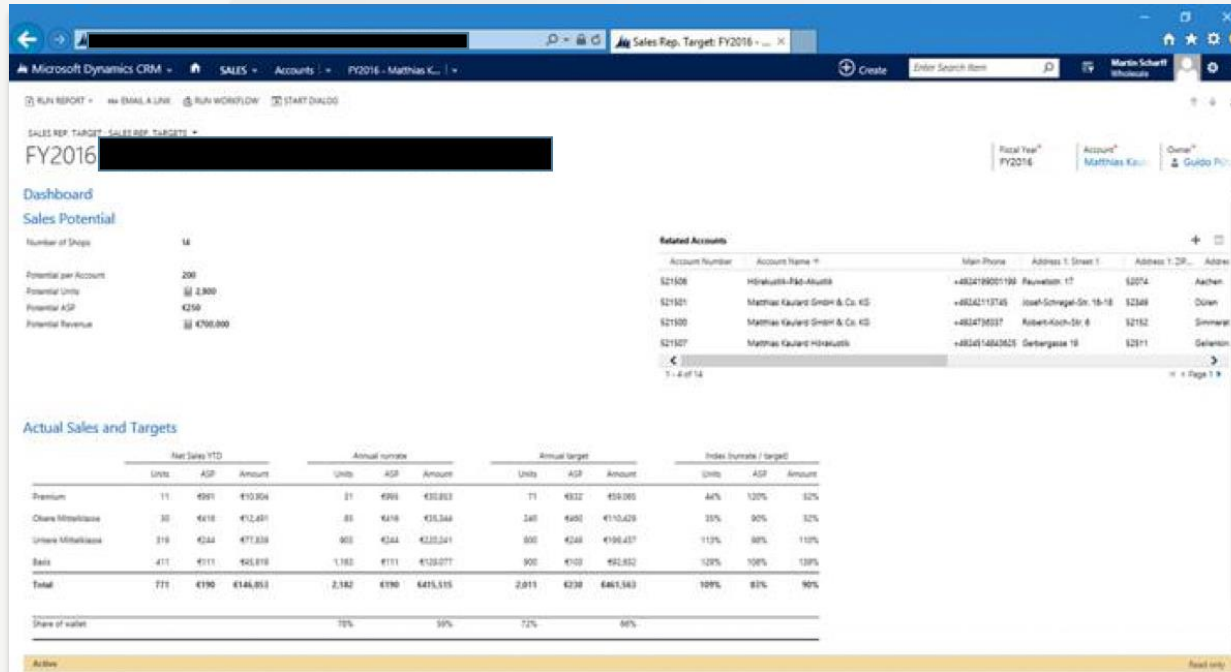
Getting more benefit from being a global company



Shared retail front- and back-end



Using transactional data in sales reps' daily work



Actuals versus targets for the particular customer

Note: Test data

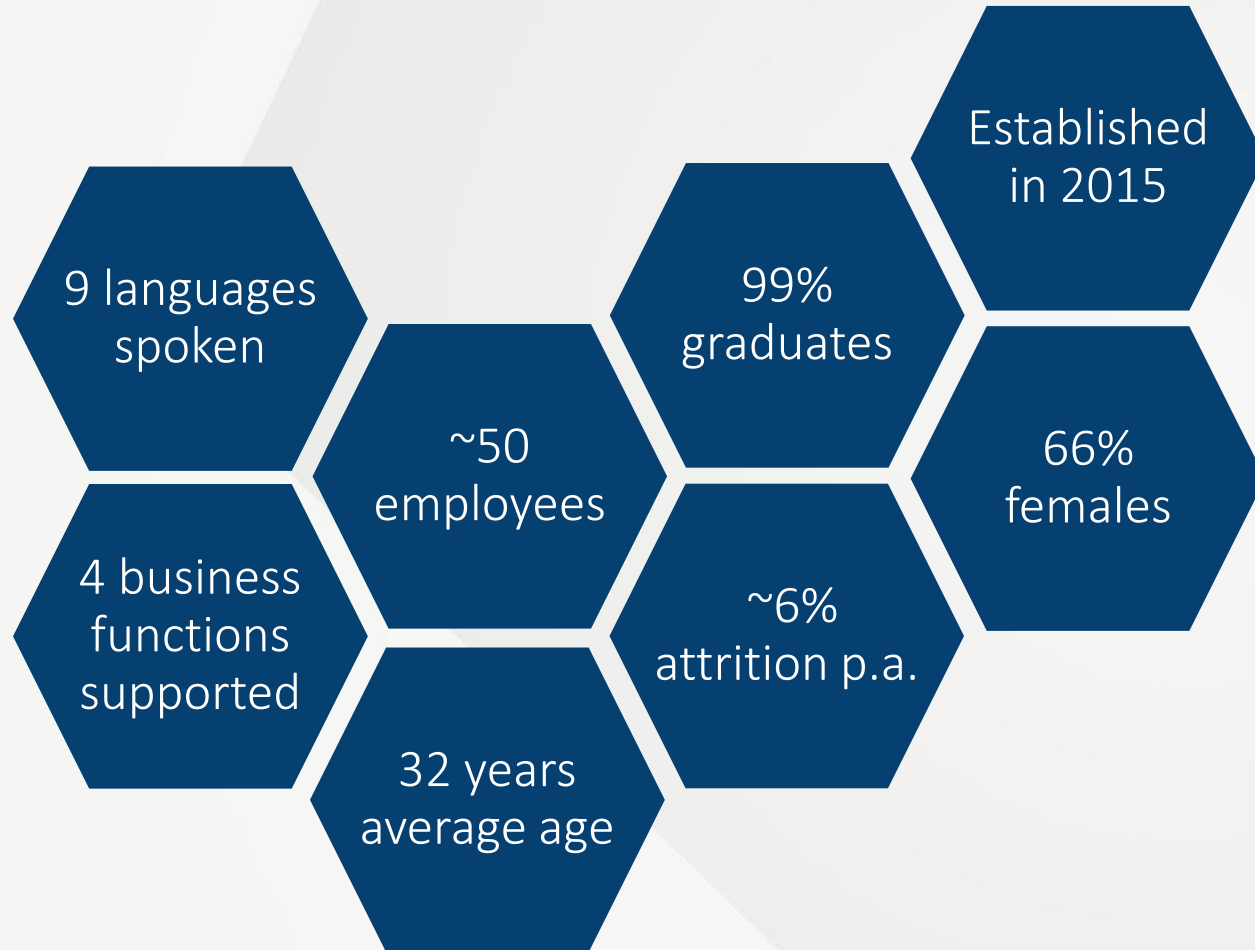




DGS – Financial Shared Services Centre



Financial Shared Services Centre in Szczecin, Poland

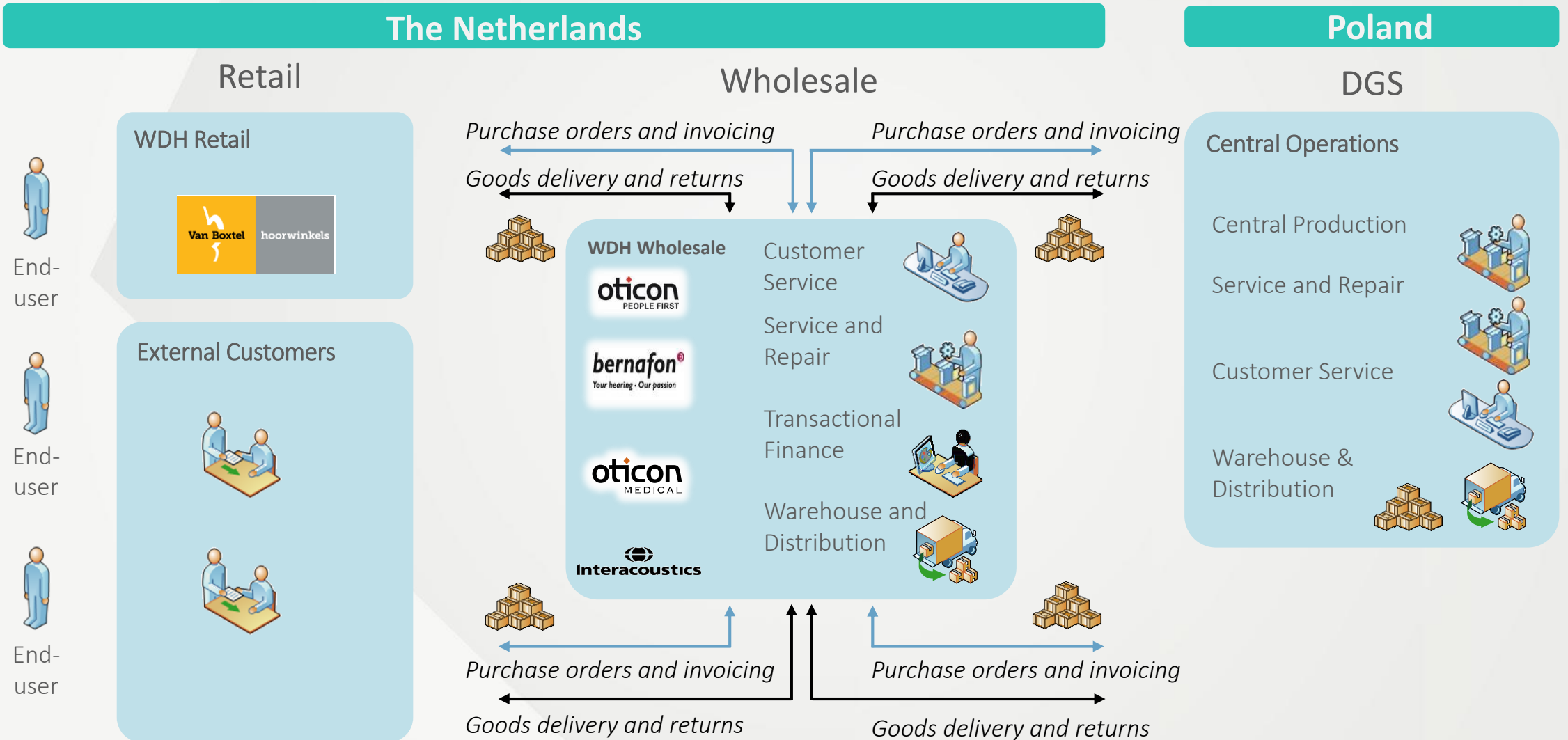




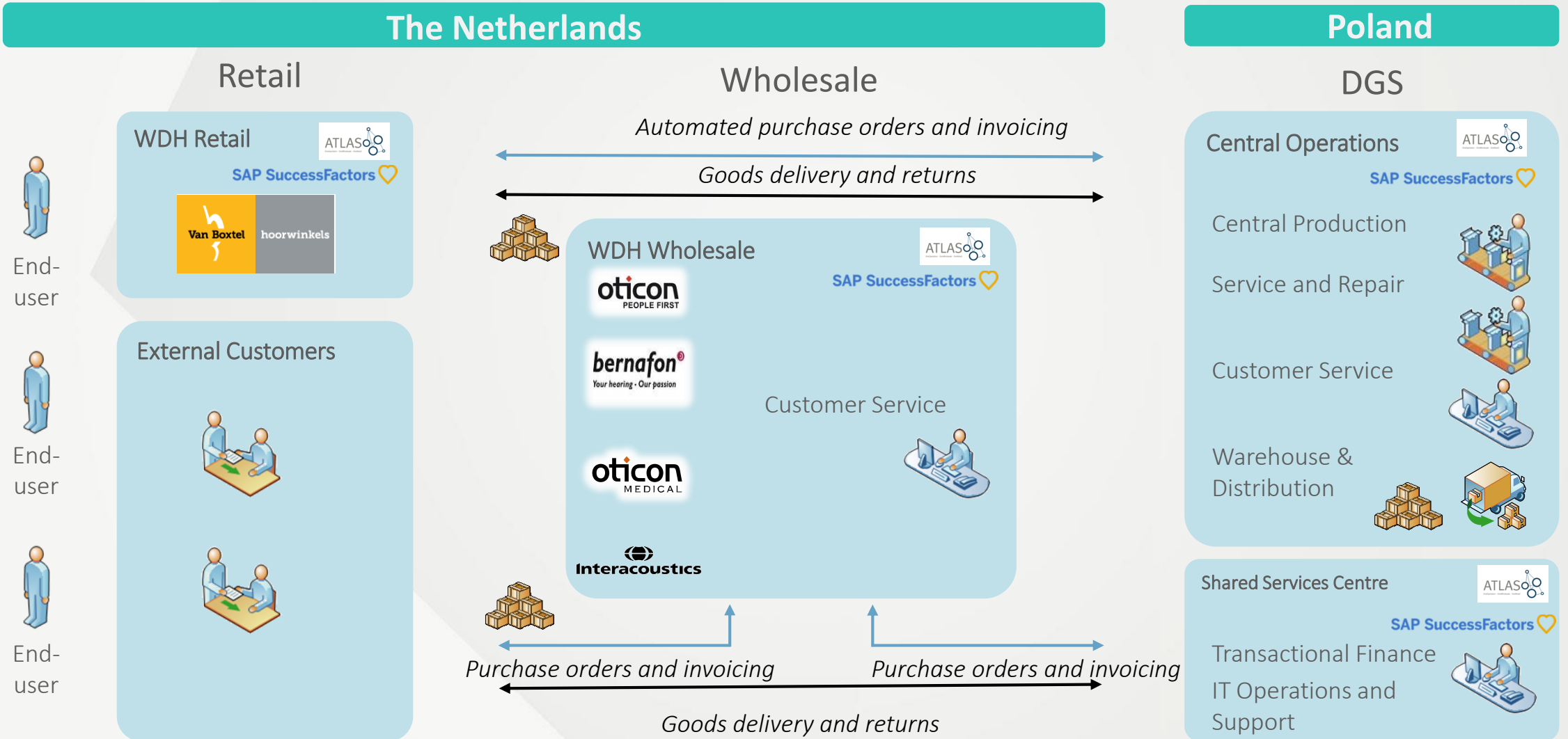
DGS – The Netherlands



Before implementation of ERP and processes



After implementation of ERP and processes





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Welcome to a new world of sound

Søren Nielsen
President of Oticon A/S

Speech Focus

Acuity Directionality

ZoomZoomZoom

Split Directionality

Narrow Directionality

UltraZoom

Full Directionality

Free Focus

Front Focus

StereoZoom

Binaural OneMic Directionality

Sound Shaper

Binaural Directionality II

Today's challenge



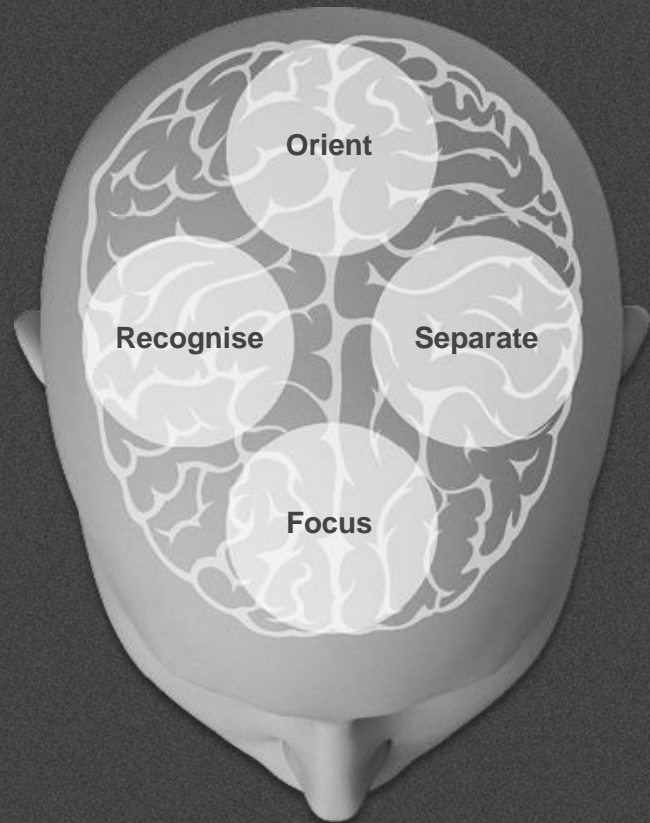
A group of people are gathered in a modern, brightly lit room with large windows overlooking a lush green landscape. In the foreground, a group of people are seated around a long table, engaged in conversation and dining. The table is set with white plates, glasses, and several large vases of flowers. In the background, three young men are playing stringed instruments: a violin, a cello, and a double bass. The overall atmosphere is sophisticated and social.

**Today's
directional
technology ...**

**When you
close down
sounds,
you close
down life!**



**It's your brain
that hears,
not your ears**



Oticon Opn empowers the brain!



**Directionality
as we know it is now
a thing of the past!**



TwinLink
NFMI + 2.4 GHz

Made for
iPod iPhone iPad

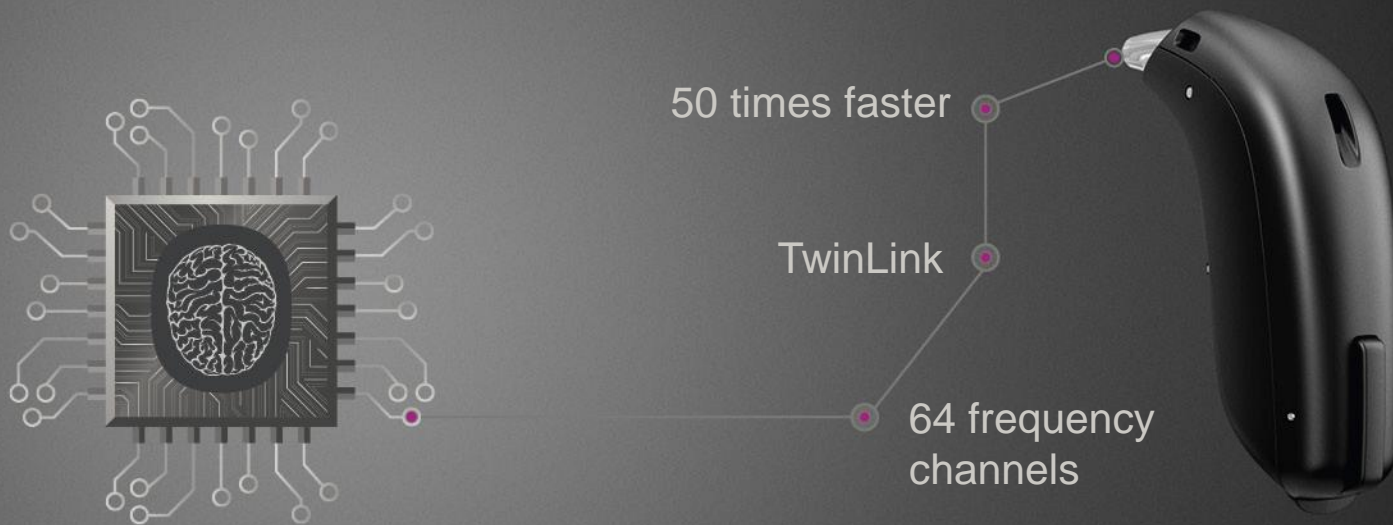


For the first time ever,
a hearing aid with two communication systems

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New Velox platform

Power and speed



New OpenSound experience



OpenSound
Navigator

- ▶ Analyses the sound environment
100 times per second
- ▶ Balances individual sounds
- ▶ Attenuates remaining noise



Spatial
Sound LX

- ▶ Total capacity: 320 kbit per second
- ▶ Exchange rate: 21 times per second
- ▶ Frequency bands: 4 bands



Proven benefits!

20% less listening effort

Remember **20%** more

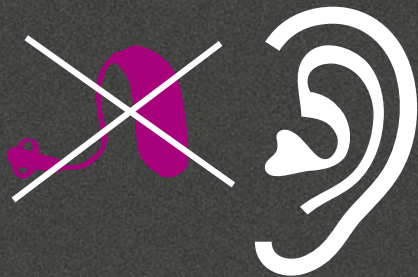
30% better speech in speech understanding



**Hearing Care is
Health Care™**



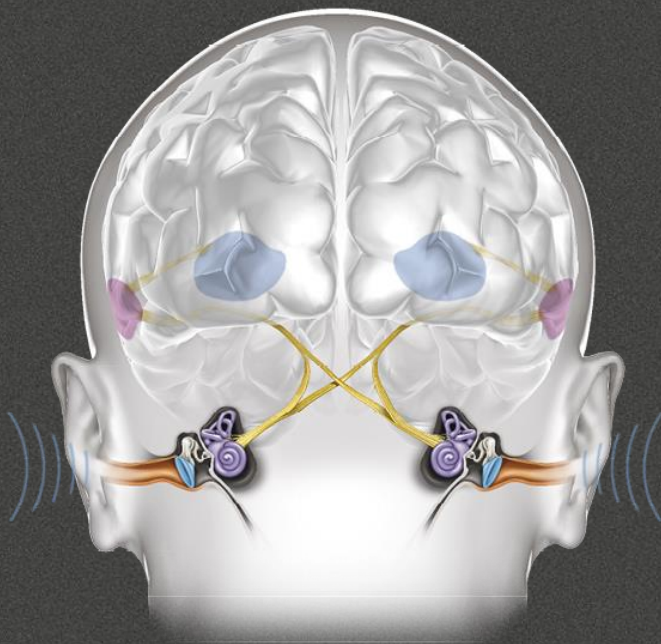
Insufficiently treated
hearing loss



Isolation

Accelerated mental
decline

Higher risk of dementia



Treated hearing loss



Socially active

Stimulation of the brain

Keeps your brain fit

"This is the biggest innovation for many, many years – this will be perfect for my patients."

Canadian dispenser

"I enjoy being able to continue to hear background noise and still be able to hear clearly the person I'm speaking with – even if it's in a noisy restaurant."

Female (user)

"The clearness of the sound is so natural, I find it as having natural hearing and no need for the hearing aids and ability to hear speaking from all quadrants of the table."

Male (user)

"This is a fantastic product. We must ensure to make it known A.S.A.P. to the market!"

Italian dispenser

"I am an attorney and conducted a trial last week. My ability to listen and interact with witnesses was greatly improved, and my examinations were much more effective because I can hear all the words"

Male (user)

"Today, I'm letting the patient choose between two different instruments. With Opn, I will only recommend Opn – simply the best"

Canadian dispenser

"Magnificent sound, I am now able to hear conversations from behind"

Male, 64 (user)

Full steam on shipment!

15 countries
launched already



... and more coming
up in June



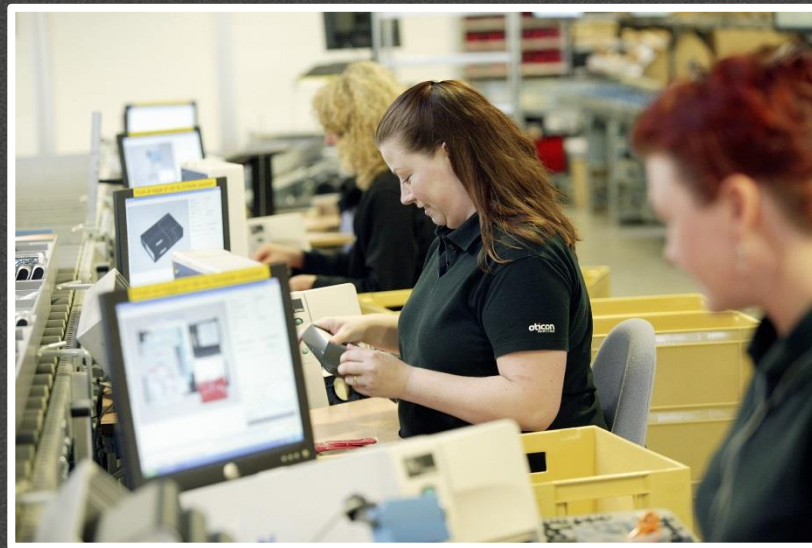
Canada



Denmark



Japan



**Welcome to
a new world
of open
sound
experience**



21 May 2016

BrainHearing – benefit for the patient



Thomas Behrens
Head of Audiology
Director, Centre for Applied Audiology Research

oticon
PEOPLE FIRST

Independent research activities 2015-2016

Centre for Applied Audiology Research



Supporting the 20+ scientific publications we have behind Oticon Opn

A BrainHearing solution for speech in speech and noise

From zero to when it really gets tough!

- ▶ Complex situations
 - ▶ Many sound sources
 - ▶ Moving around
 - ▶ Dynamically coming and going
 - ▶ Unpredictable
- ▶ This is where people with a hearing impairment have the largest unmet need!



The hidden cognitive load of hearing loss

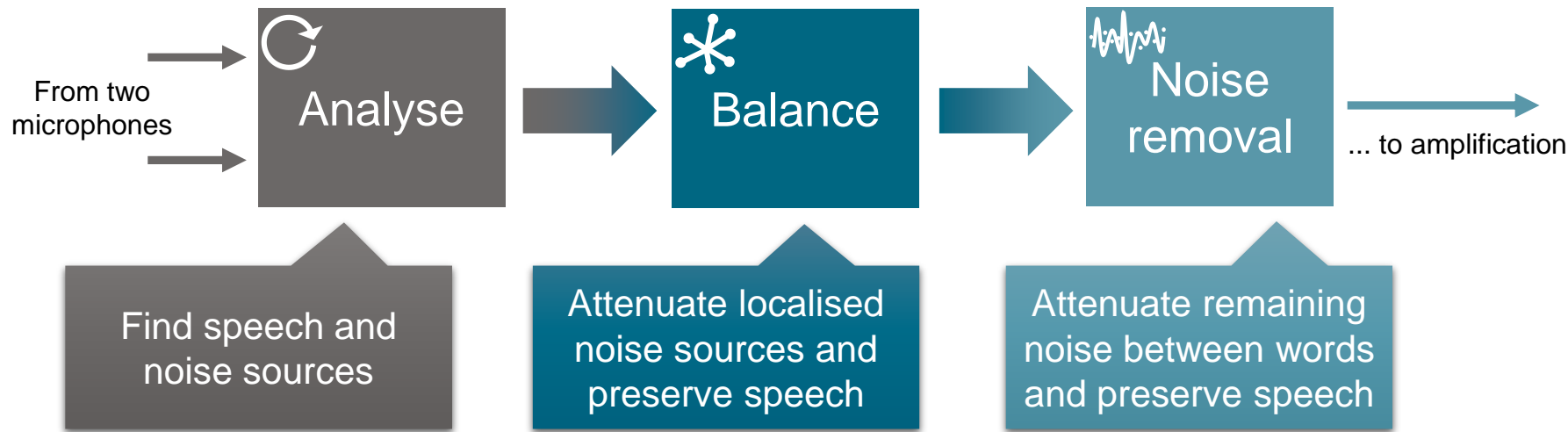
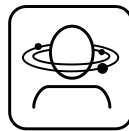
The path to improved ability to listen to speech in speech and noise





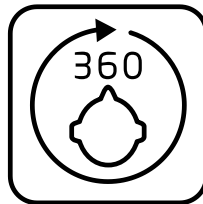
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OpenSound Navigator



Spatial Sound^{LX}

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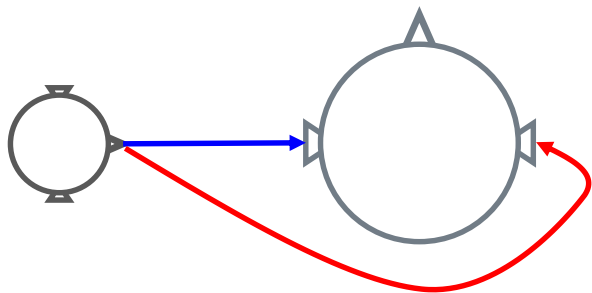
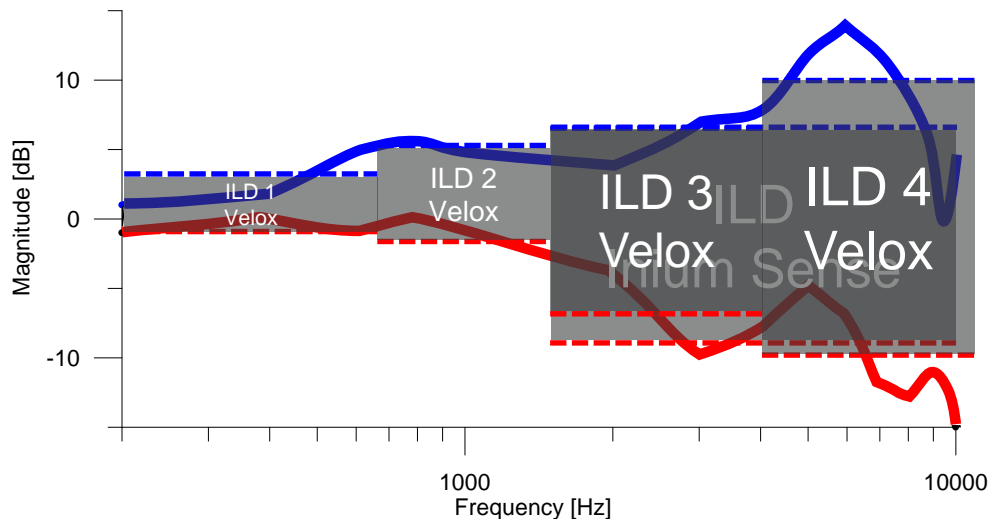


► 200%+ increase in binaural communication capacity

- Total capacity: 320 kbit/sec vs. 96 kbit/sec in Inium Sense
- Exchange rate: 21 times per second vs. 5 in Inium Sense
- Frequency bands: 4 bands vs. 1 band in Inium Sense

► OpenSound:

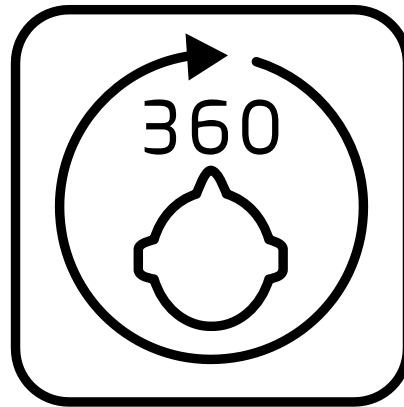
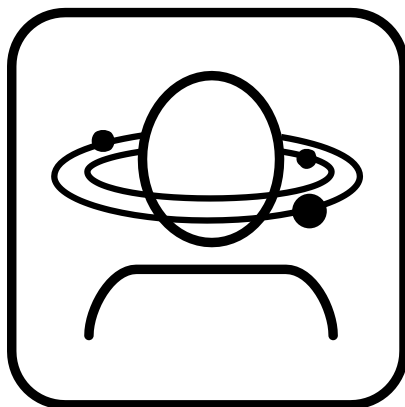
- More accurate and updated information on where the sounds are coming from
- Supports the **OpenSound** experience by making it easier to **locate** sounds



Platform and features to deliver OpenSound experience

Ensure that the elements of a sound scene continue to be accessible

OpenSound Navigator + Spatial Sound^{LX} = OpenSound experience



TwinLink
NFMI + 2.4 GHz

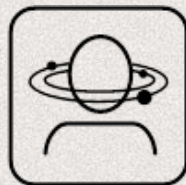
Oticon Opn has the following new or updated functionality



Binaural



YouMatic LX



OpenSound
Navigator



Feedback
shield LX



Soft Speech
Booster LX



Speech
Guard LX



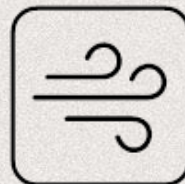
Spatial
Sound LX



Clear
Dynamics



Spatial Noise
Management



Wind Noise
Management

BrainHearing benefits 2.0

New objective and proven methods for hearing research

Pupillometry to document reduced load on the brain

Recall more from conversations to enrich social interaction

Speech understanding to continue to improve well-known benefits



The hearing aid that makes it easier on the brain

Tested in conditions representing everyday communication

20% less load on the brain*

helps remember 20% more**

and understand 30% more***



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Pupillometry study at Eriksholm

The first of six Opn research studies completed

Pupil reacts to changes in sympathetic nervous system (SNS)

- ▶ A reaction due to perceived stressful conditions

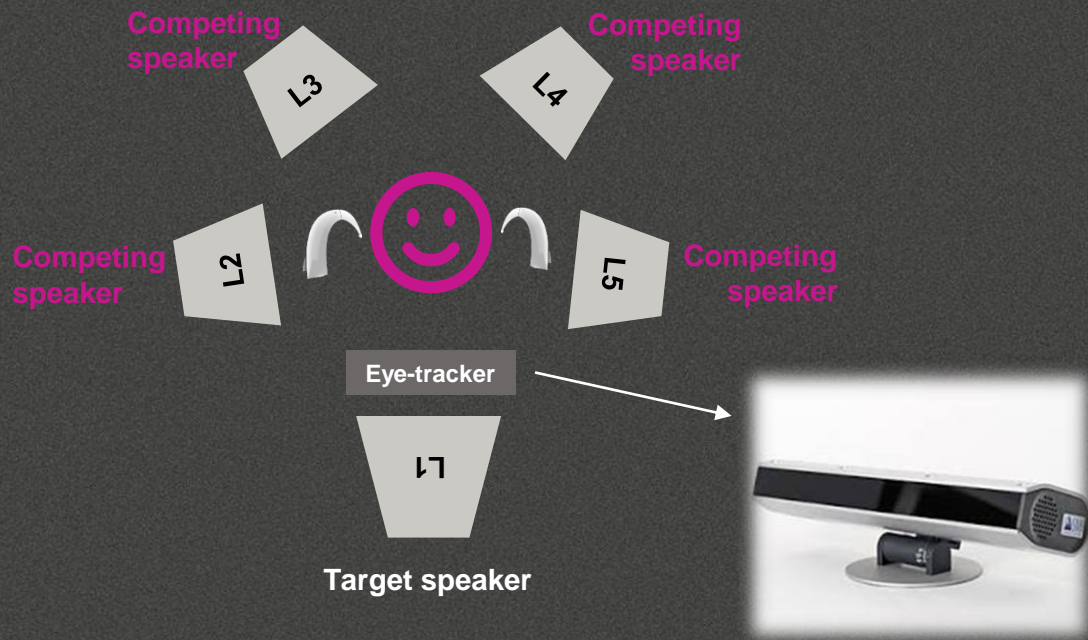


Pupillometry in audiology and hearing science

- ▶ More challenging task indicated by a larger pupil (*Kahneman, 1973*)
- ▶ Pupil size can quantify effort required for speech recognition in noise (*e.g. Kramer et al., 1997, Koelewijn et al., 2012, 2014*)
- ▶ Pupillometry is a sensitive and valid cognitive load index (*Zekveld et al 2012*)

Set-up to mimic complex listening environment

24 people with hearing loss tested in the Cognitive Hearing Science lab at Eriksholm

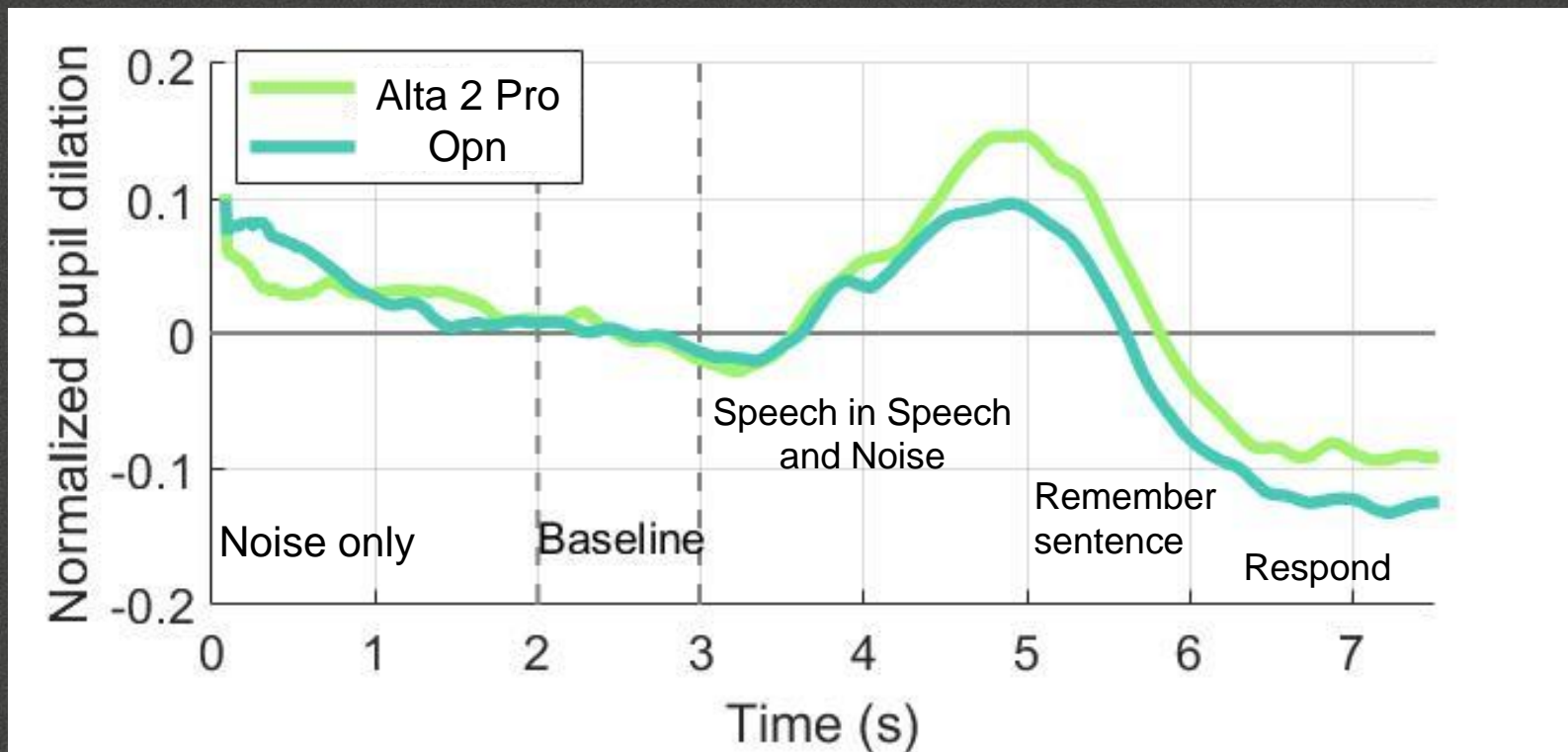


Pupillometry for testing listening effort



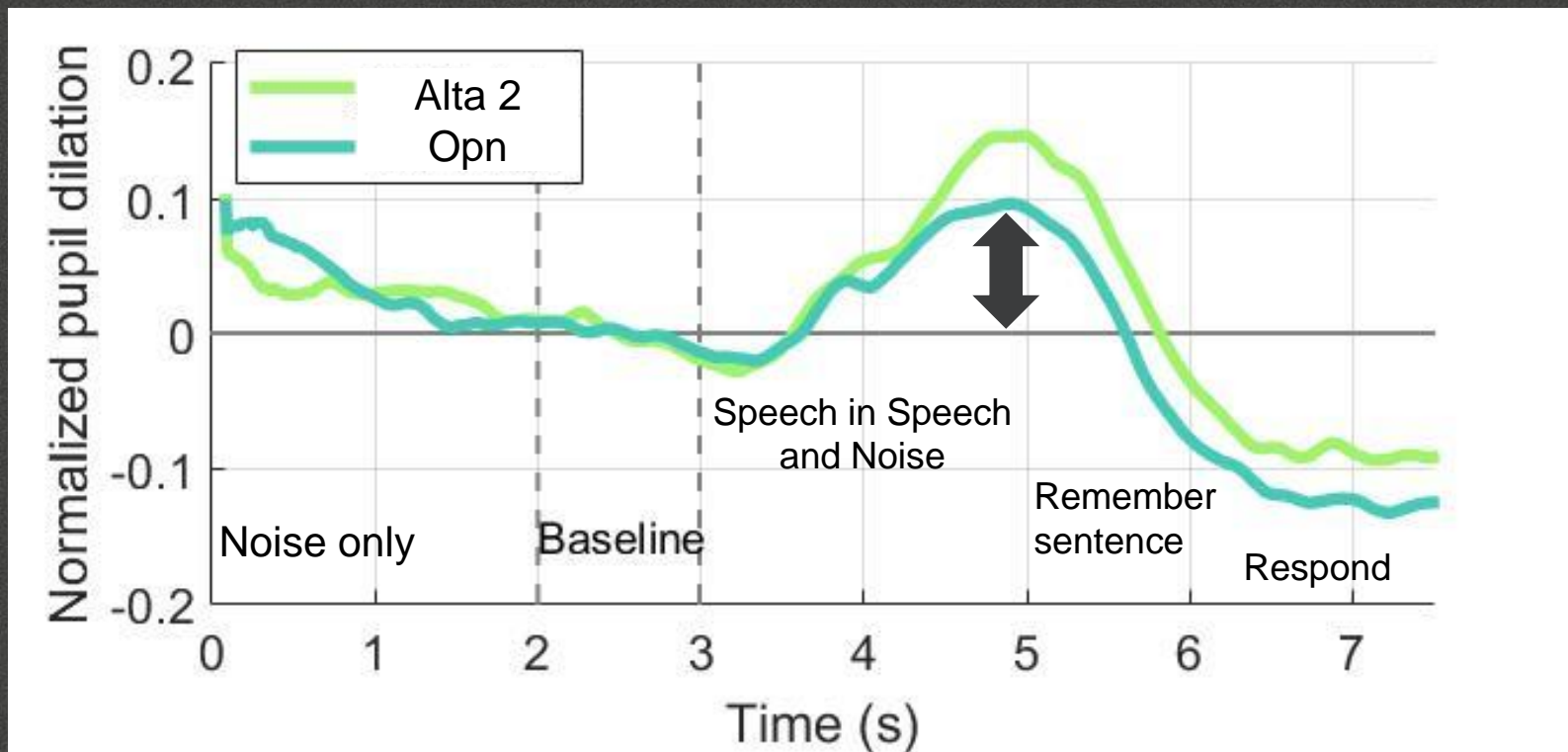
Results: Opn versus Alta2

Speech understanding is at 95% or above during testing



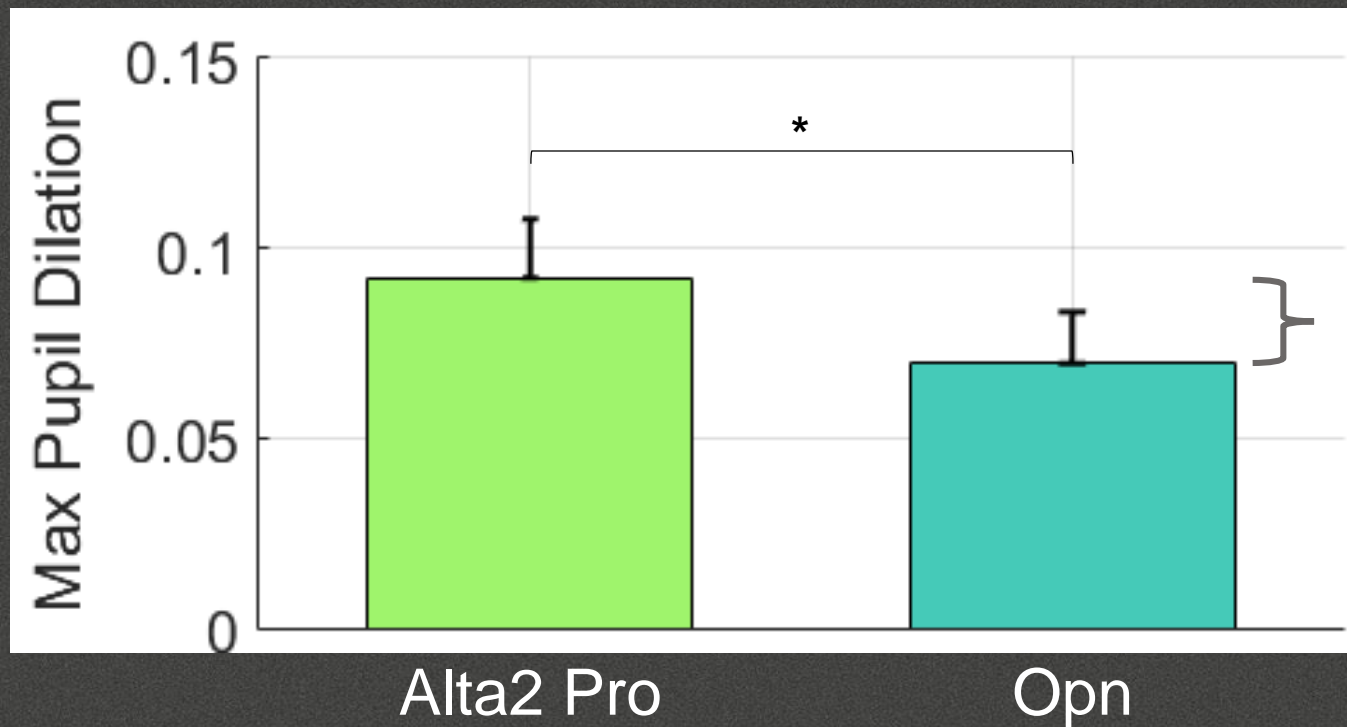
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Results: Opn versus Alta2 Pro

Speech understanding is at 95% or above during testing – 24 participants



**Significant
difference**

**28% reduction
in pupil size**

First study showing noise reduction can improve recall!

The second of six Opn research studies completed

▶ Test conditions representing everyday communication



▶ Two types of situations tested:

- ▶ Medium difficulty (95% speech recognition)
- ▶ Increased difficulty (70% speech recognition)

▶ OpenSound Navigator on versus off

▶ 26 participants



Testing for recall from memory

SWIR (Sentence-final Word Identification and Recall)

- ▶ Listen to HINT sentence in background speech
- ▶ Repeat what you heard
- ▶ ...
- ▶ Seven sentences in total
- ▶ Remember the last word
- ▶ ...
- ▶ Recall as many last words as you can

Number	Word	Recalled from	Used for outcome
1	Garden	Long term memory	Yes
2	Mirror	Long term memory	Yes
3	Lunch	In transfer	?
4	Sister	In transfer	?
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6	Box	Short term memory	Yes
7	Driver	Short term memory	Yes

Testing for recall from memory

SWIR (Sentence-final Word Identification and Recall) – 26 participants



- ▶ 25% improvement in long-term memory (70% condition, less in 95% condition)
- ▶ 5% improvement in short-term memory



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Speech understanding

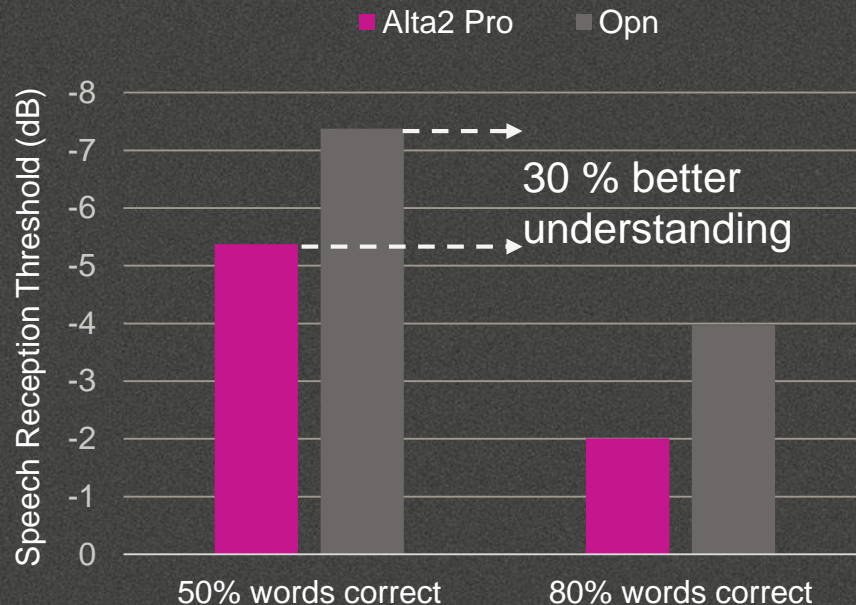
Also improvements in standard measures of speech recognition

- ▶ Test representing everyday communication



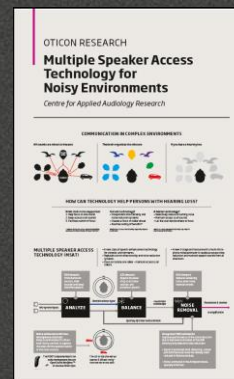
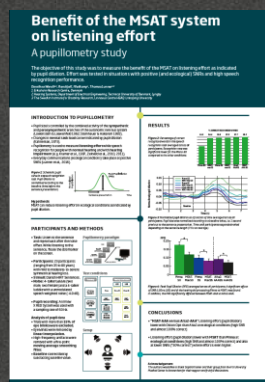
- ▶ Two types of situations tested:
 - ▶ Difficult (80% speech recognition)
 - ▶ Very difficult (50% speech recognition)
- ▶ 26 participants

Speech Recognition

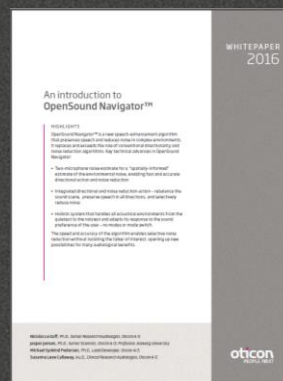


Evidence overview

Opn BrainHearing research



Opn audiology white papers



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