

ASTRAZENECA AND OUR YEAR IN BRIEF

ASTRAZENECA IS ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES WITH A BROAD RANGE OF MEDICINES DESIGNED TO FIGHT DISEASE IN IMPORTANT AREAS OF HEALTHCARE. BACKED BY STRONG SCIENCE AND WIDE-RANGING COMMERCIAL SKILLS, WE ARE COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR BUSINESS AND THE DELIVERY OF A FLOW OF NEW MEDICINES THAT BRING BENEFIT FOR PATIENTS AND CREATE ENDURING VALUE FOR OUR SHAREHOLDERS AND SOCIETY.

2007 IN BRIEF

- > Sales up 7% to \$29,559 million.
- > *Crestor* sales up 33% to \$2,796 million;
Symbicort up 22% to \$1,575 million;
Seroquel up 15% to \$4,027 million;
and *Arimidex* up 10% to \$1,730 million.
Nexium sales down 2% to \$5,216 million.
- > Our product portfolio now includes 11 medicines with annual sales of more than \$1 billion each.
- > Sales up 17% in emerging markets.
- > Operating profit (excluding restructuring and synergy costs) up 8% to \$9,060 million.
- > Cash distributions to shareholders totalled \$6,811 million (dividends \$2,641 million; share re-purchases \$4,170 million).
- > Earnings per share (excluding restructuring and synergy costs) were \$4.20, ahead of target.
- > Dividend up 9% to \$1.87 for the full year.
- > Investment in R&D increased to more than \$5 billion.
- > A record 36 new compounds were selected for development and 24 compounds progressed to first human exposure. Phase III development pipeline doubled from five to 10 projects.
- > Over 20 major externalisation deals and two significant acquisitions in the past two years.
- > Acquisition of MedImmune in June 2007 established us as a leader in biotechnology amongst our pharmaceutical peers.
- > Productivity initiatives, including restructuring programme, progressing to plan.