

2024 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

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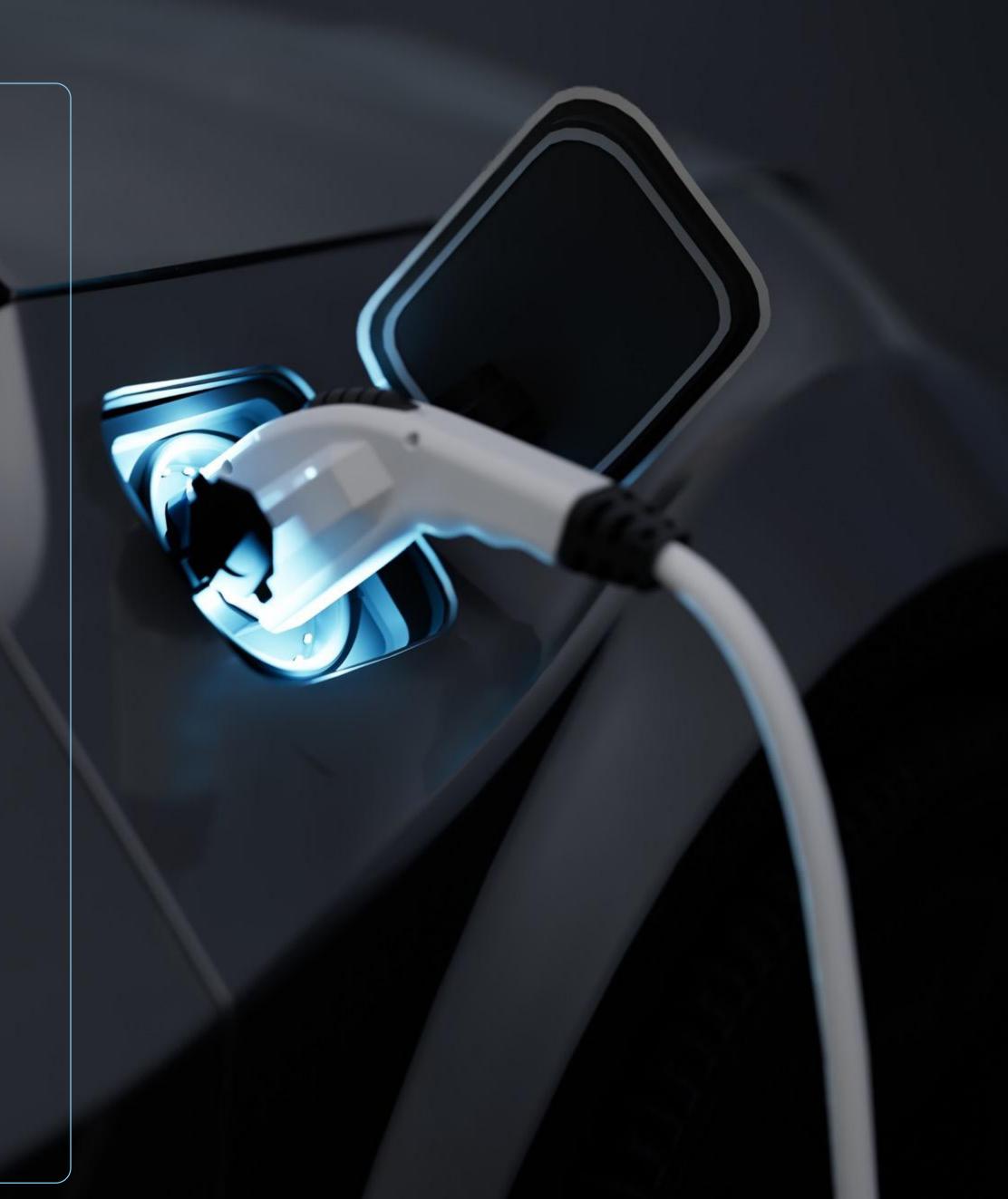


2024 Preliminary Results I Zotefoams plc



Business Performance







RECORD PERFORMANCE IN REVENUE & PROFIT*

Results Headlines



Record Sales Performance

Group Revenue

Up 16% to £147.8m (2023: £127.0m)

High-Performance Products Revenue

Up 37% to £79.6m(2023: £58.1m)



Record Earnings*

Record Operating Profit*

Up 20% to £18.1m

Basic EPS*

Up 37% to 25.95p



Strong Balance Sheet

Net Debt

Down 20% to £24.1m (excl. leases)

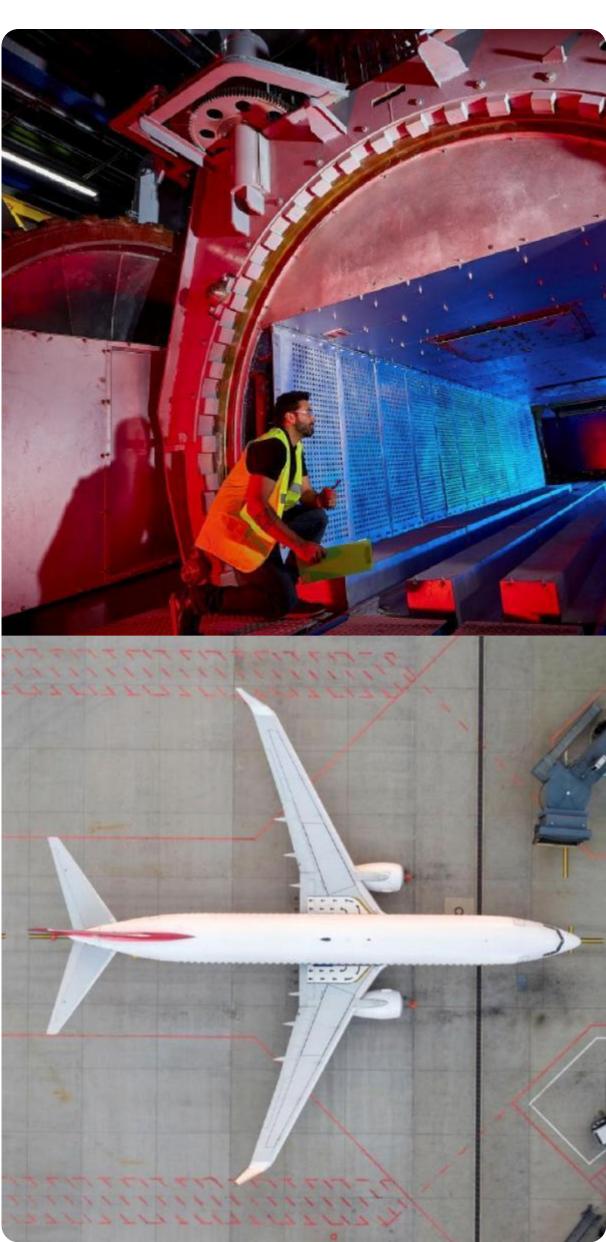
Leverage Ratio

Down to 0.9x from 1.2x

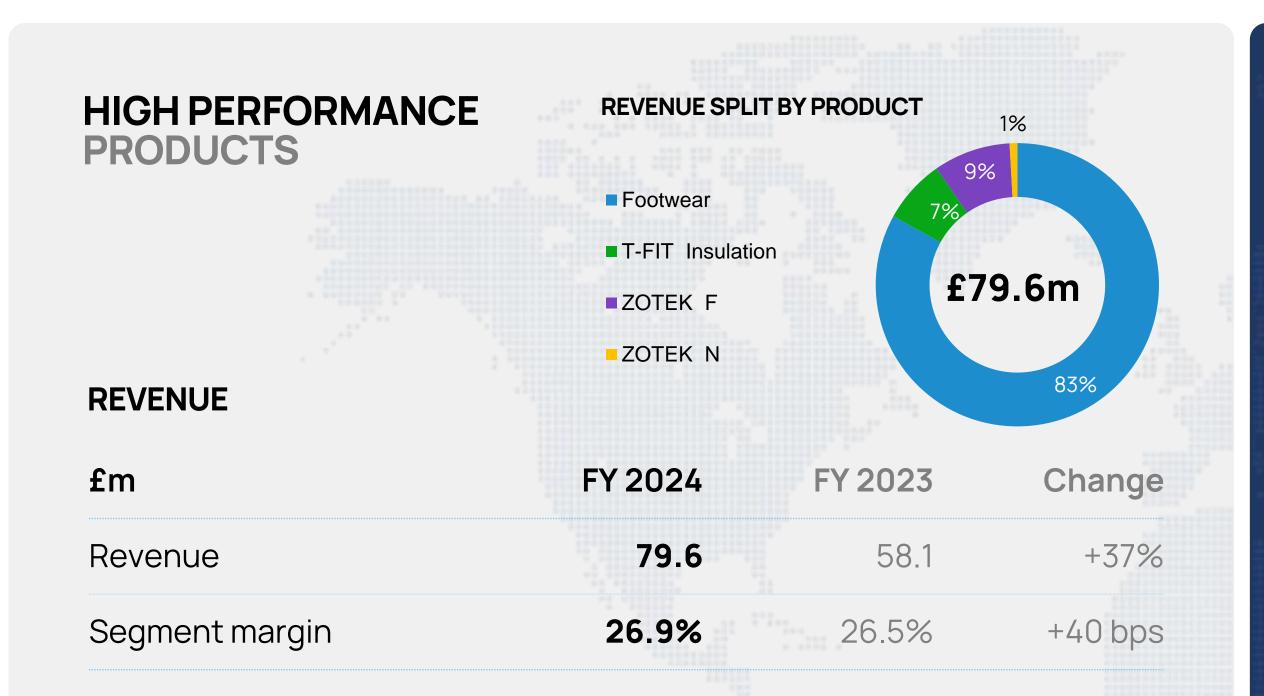


- Decision to pause investment in ReZorce® technology
- £15.2m exceptional charge in income statement









Key Messages

Sales exceed Polyolefin Foams for first time with growth in Footwear & ZOTEK® F

- Strong footwear sales helped by tailwinds, increasing 46% to £66.1m, represents 45% of Group revenue (FY23 36%)
- ZOTEK F sales grew 7% to £7.0m (FY23: £6.5m) as the aviation sector continues to face challenges despite robust order books
- Manufacturing facility in Vietnam a commitment to positioning our capabilities closer to key customers and growth markets
- Shincell agreement extends capabilities & brings us closer to key customers
- Margin up 200 bps to 28.5% before inventory provision increase and Shincell amortisation



Key Messages

Mixed demand conditions with opportunities for improved margins in North America

- Modest volume growth despite challenging market conditions in certain regions
- In Europe, sales down 8%, impacted by economic headwinds, particularly in Germany where automotive and construction markets reached their lowest levels since 2008
- UK sales resilient, up 4%, and Far East sales up 18%
- USA sales up 3%, with margins impacted by shifts in sales mix and investment in people
 & capability
- Second USA low-pressure vessel on track for commissioning mid 2025



MEL

Key Messages

- Investment paused
- IP retained



1% of revenue, as we pivoted fully towards the ReZorce® Circular Packaging opportunity.

ReZorce technology demonstrated compelling sustainability credentials, including potential carbon footprint reductions of over 50% for commonly packaged foodstuffs.

Decision made in December 2024 to pause investment following a comprehensive strategic review.

- Unable to identify a strategic investing partner
- IP and know-how remains well protected
- Preserving future value
- £4.9m (FY23: £4.4m) operational loss
- £15.2m exceptional item

We will focus our resources and innovation capabilities on our core supercritical fluid foams business, where we see substantial opportunities for growth.



Key Financials





FY24 KEY FINANCIALS¹

Group Revenue

£147.8m

Up 16%

2023: £127m

Gross Margin

31.2%

Down 110bps

2023: 32.3%

Operating Profit²

£18.1m

Up 20%

2023: £15.1m

PBT²

£15.3m

Up 19%

2023: £12.8m

EPS²

25.95p

Up 37%

2023: 19.00p

Exceptional Item

£15.2m

2023: -

PBT

(after exceptional item)

£0.2m3

Down 99% 2023: £12.8m LPS

(after exceptional item)

(5.66)p

2023: 19.00p

- l Given immateriality, an adjustment for amortisation of acquired intangibles FY24: £250k (FY23: £257k) has been omitted; the above numbers are as reported
- 2 Before exceptional item
- 3 After rounding

Record Group revenue

> Record underlying profits

MEL impairment



FY24 KEY FINANCIALS

Cash Generated From Operations

£30.4m

Up 2.5x

2023: £12.1m

Capital Expenditure

£13.6m

Up 60%

2023: £8.45m

Working Capital Movement

£2.5m

-

2023: £(11.1)m

ROCE

11.7%

Up 140 bps

2023:10.3%

Net Debt¹

£24.1m

Down 20%

As at 31.12.23: £30.2m

Leverage

0.9x

Down 0.3x

As at 31.12.23: 1.2x

Strong cash generation reduces debt and leverage

Final dividend up 4% to 5.10p

¹ Net debt excludes the impact of IFRS 16



FY24 KEY FINANCIALS

· £m								
ReZorce		LP2		OTHER		TOTAL	2024	2023
Intangible	3.2	Intangible	–	Intangible	0.1	Intangible	3.3	2.7
Tangible	1.3	Tangible	3.9	Tangible	5.1	Tangible	10.3	5.8
Total	4.5	Total	3.9	Total	5.2	Total	13.6	8.5

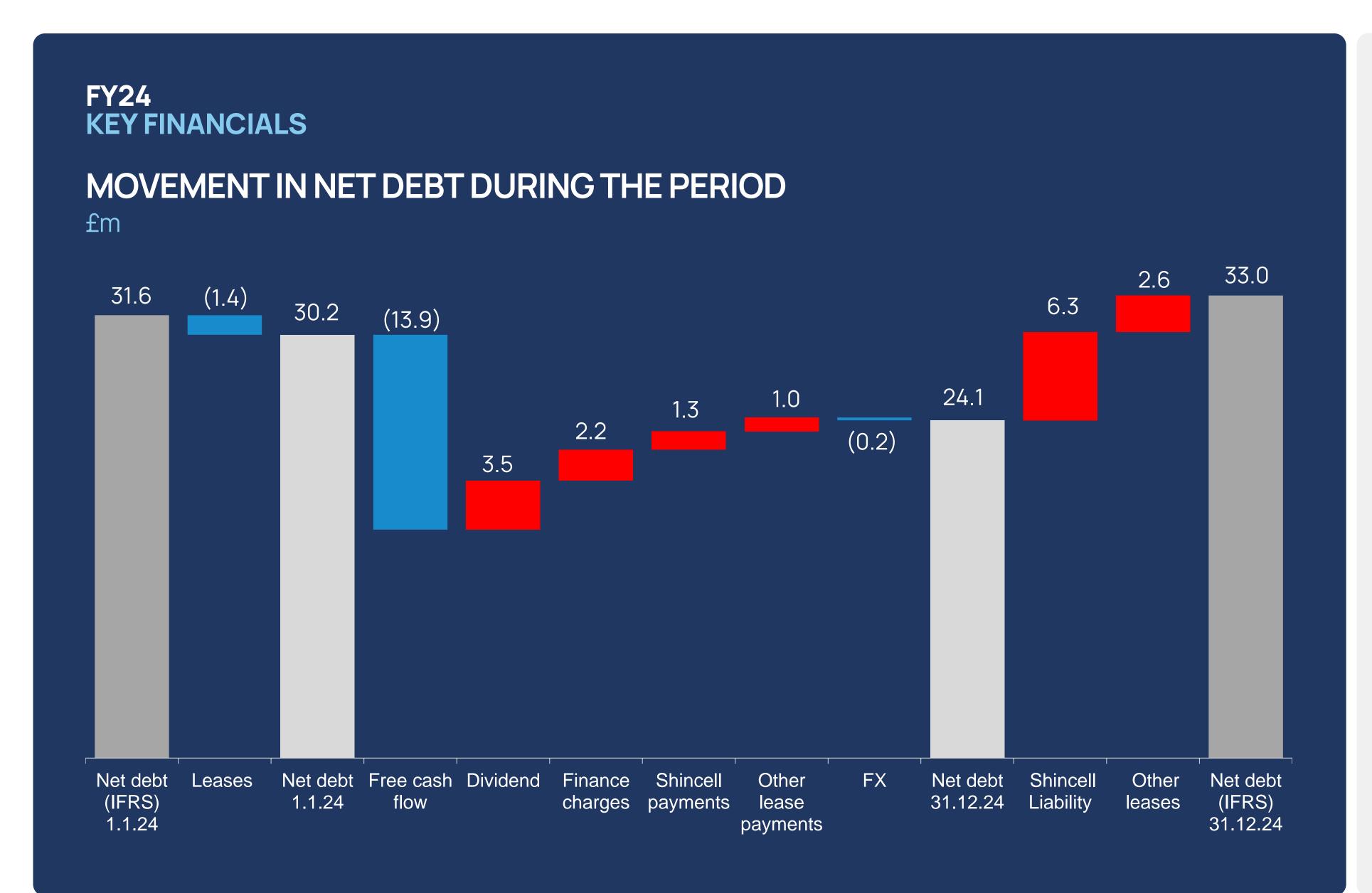
Global Alliance with Shincell is accounted for under IFRS 16 as a Right of Use asset.

Additions (cashflows discounted to present value) in respect of this agreement are £7.7m, with payments of £1.3m made in 2024.

Key Messages

- 69% of capex directed to growth opportunities
- Maintenance capital significantly below depreciation charge
- Shincell not accounted for as fixed asset addition





Key Messages

- Strong cash generation
- Net working capital inflow of £2.5m (2023: £11.1m outflow)
- Ex finance leases, net debt is down £6.1m to £24.1m in the period
- Leverage falls from 1.2x to 0.9x
- Strong balance sheet provides a firm foundation for our refreshed strategy





Strategy Overview







STRATEGY OVERVIEW

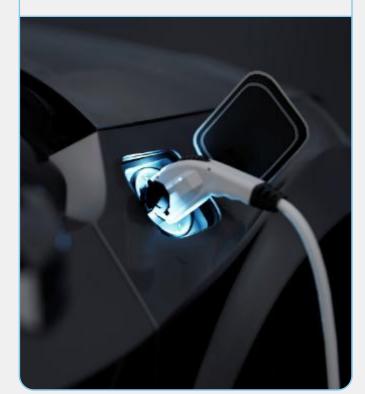
Delivering optimal solutions

Underpinned by Zotefoams' values and with health & safety at the forefront of all that we do, our business model will guide us towards realising long-term vision and ensure we continue to fulfil Zotefoams' purpose



INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMER FOCUS

From product to industry





CLOSER TO THE CUSTOMER

Expanding capabilities





INNOVATION & SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP

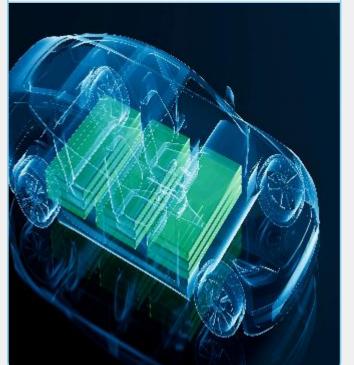
Sustainable innovation





M&A BEYOND THE CORE

Moving up the value chain





HIGH PERFORMING TEAMS

Executing the strategy





Health & Safety



KEY FINANCIALS

Organic Revenue

£200-220m

CAGR+7% 2024: £148m

Operating Profit

£36m-£42m>18%

CAGR +17% 2024: £18m 12%

ROCE

>20%

>8 pts over 2024

Exclude the benefits of M&A







ADDRESSABLE FOAM MARKET OPPORTUNITY

Current core business focuses on a portion of the £4 billion

polyolefin foam market with some participation in select highperformance engineered polymer¹ foam applications

Zotefoams addressable market has historically been limited to £800m within these segments

Moving up the value chain and expanding Zotefoams technology platforms creates a £15 billion market opportunity with improved mix enrichment

Acquisition £0.8 billion strategy to open Addressable addressable Market markets. £15 billion Addressable Market £4 billion Polyolefin Foams £11 billion High Performance Engineered Polymer¹ Source: Kline & Compan

Drive to operate with focus on market and innovation.



MARKET FOCUS

Sponsored extensive market mapping study¹ endorsing strategic direction

Zotefoams will position for high value markets and end use applications



Transport & Smart Technologies

Serving automotive, aviation, medical, and high-tech industries requiring advanced material

Understanding regulatory frameworks focused on sustainability, lightweighting and comfort & safety



Consumer & Lifestyle

Addressing applications such as footwear and premium consumer goods

Agile, fast response to reflect fashion, design, colours and high product count



Construction & Other Industrial

Supporting building, infrastructure, and specialised industrial applications

Project driven applications in structural components and specialised insulation

¹ Kline & Company







WHAT WE DO WITH NIKE

Innovative mid-sole foams for world-beating shoes.

First focus with Nike was on pinnacle marathon shoes:



VAPORFLY



ALPHAFLY

Broadened to Premium running and Training Shoes; bringing ZoomX to a wider audience:



STREAKFLY



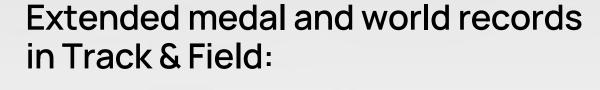
ZOOMFLY



PEGASUS PLUS



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DRAGONFLY



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ULTRAFLY



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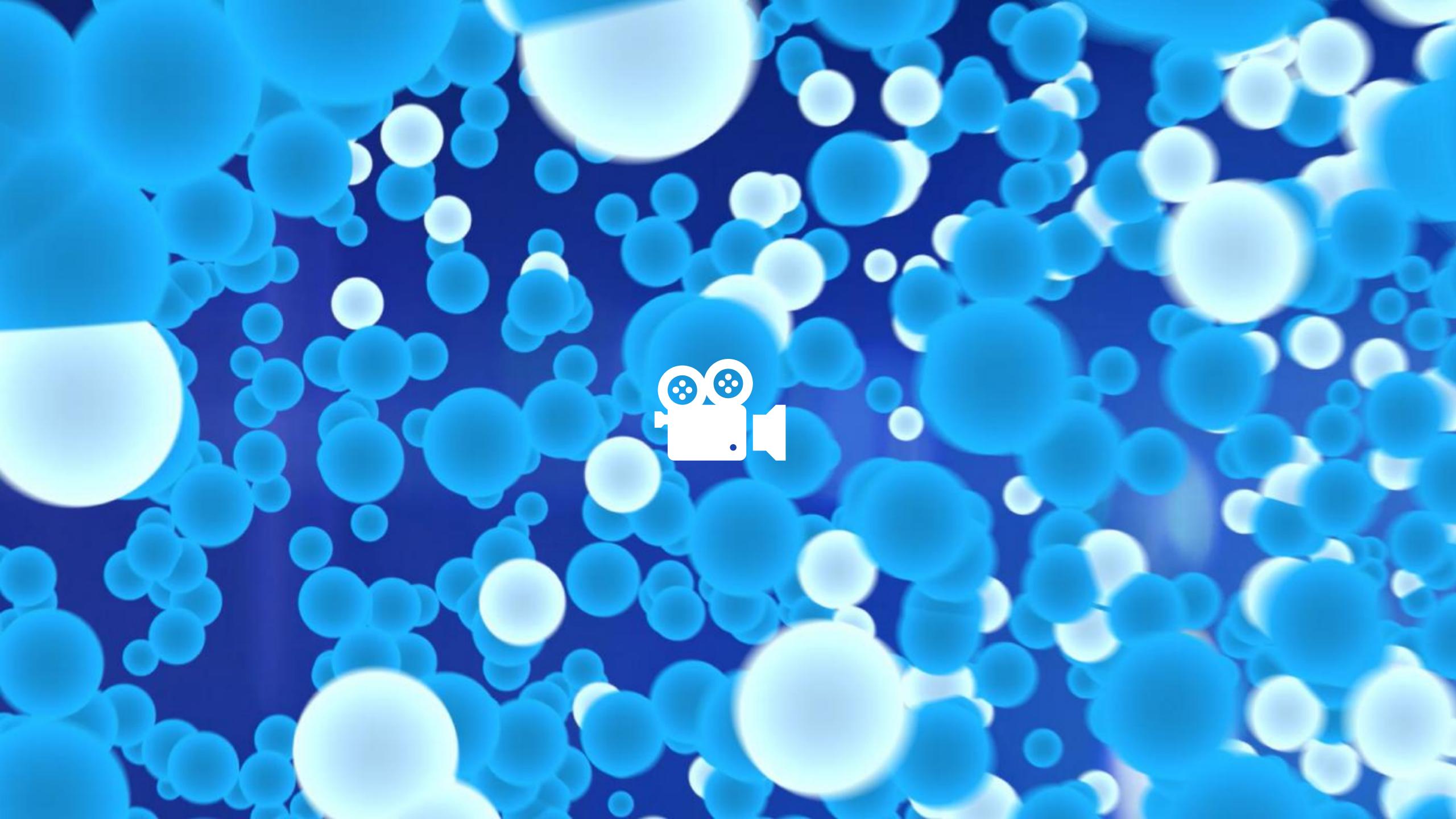
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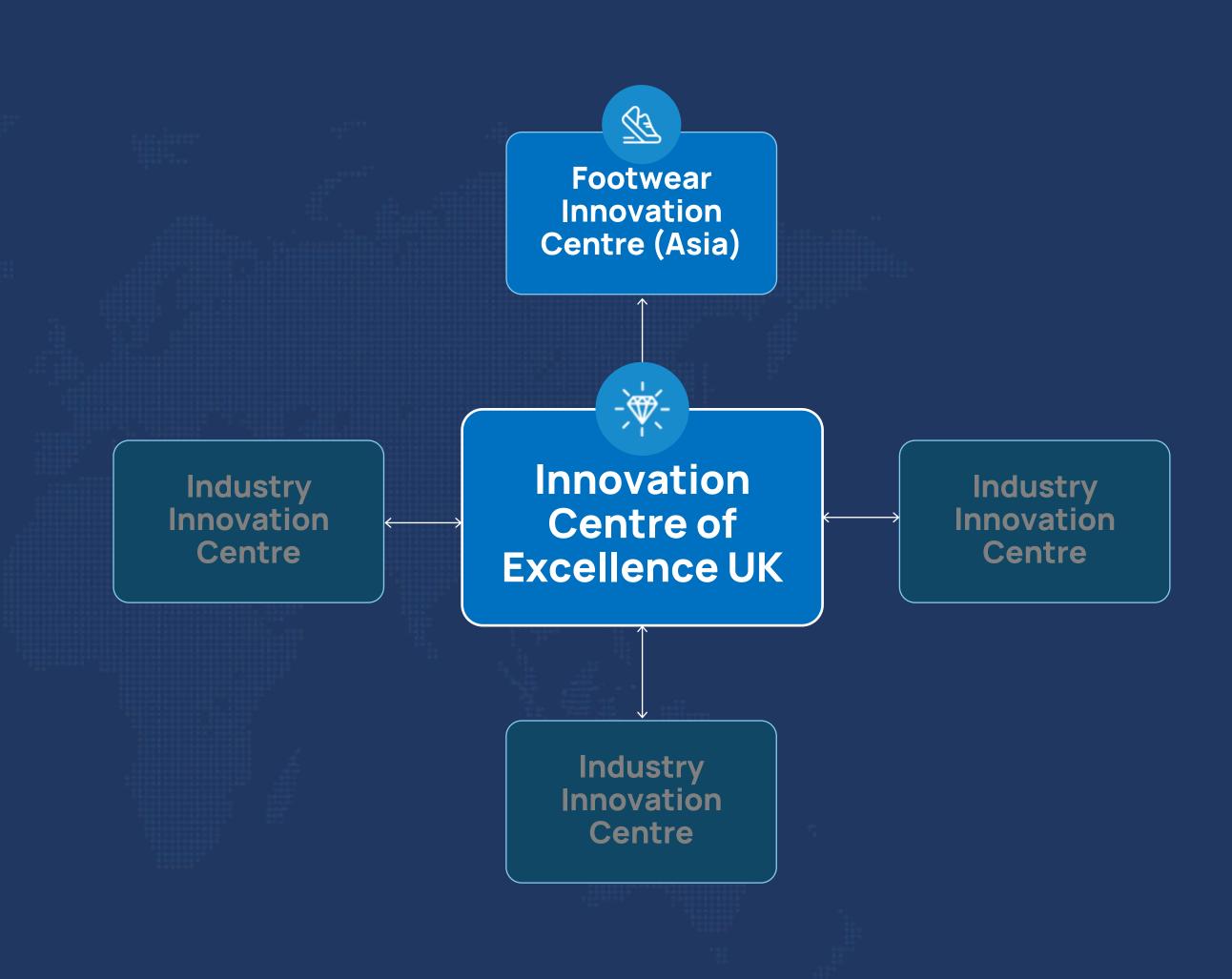




INNOVATION MODEL

Zotefoams will adopt a "hub and spoke" model for innovation

- Innovation Centre of Excellence:
 - Deep understanding of technologies
- Smaller Industry Innovation Centres:
 - Deep understanding of industries and customers







Summary & Outlook





FY24 SUMMARY



Record 2024 Performance

- Revenue up 16% to £147.8m
- Profit before tax* up 19% to £15.3m



HPP

- Sales surpass Polyolefin Foams for first time
- Footwear a driver of growth
- Investment in Asia



Polyolefin Foams

- UK and EMEA relatively flat with demand challenges in Europe
- US affected by temporary supply chain headwinds in military/ medical
- US capacity on target for early H2 commissioning



Shincell Alliance

- Enhances technical capabilities (one-way sharing)
- Offers growth potential in new and existing markets



ReZorce Circular Packaging

- Investment paused
- IP retained
- Asset impaired

^{*}Excluding exceptional item of £15.2m and amortisation of acquired intangibles of £250k (FY23: £257k)



FULL YEAR OUTLOOK



Positive start to 2025

Consumer & Lifestyle and Transport & Smart Technologies

Verticals performing well across all regions

Construction & Other Industrial

 Softer start, as expected, but anticipate improvement in conditions as the year progresses

Trading Landscape

 Our diversified manufacturing footprint positions us well to navigate the uncertainties arising from the emerging trading landscape, including trade tariffs

Refreshed Strategy & Global Commercial Team

 Executing a focused, industry-led strategy through a global commercial team, supported by three operating regions, to drive innovation and profitable growth

Investment in manufacturing excellence

US capacity expansion running to plan

Diversified Manufacturing and R&D Footprint

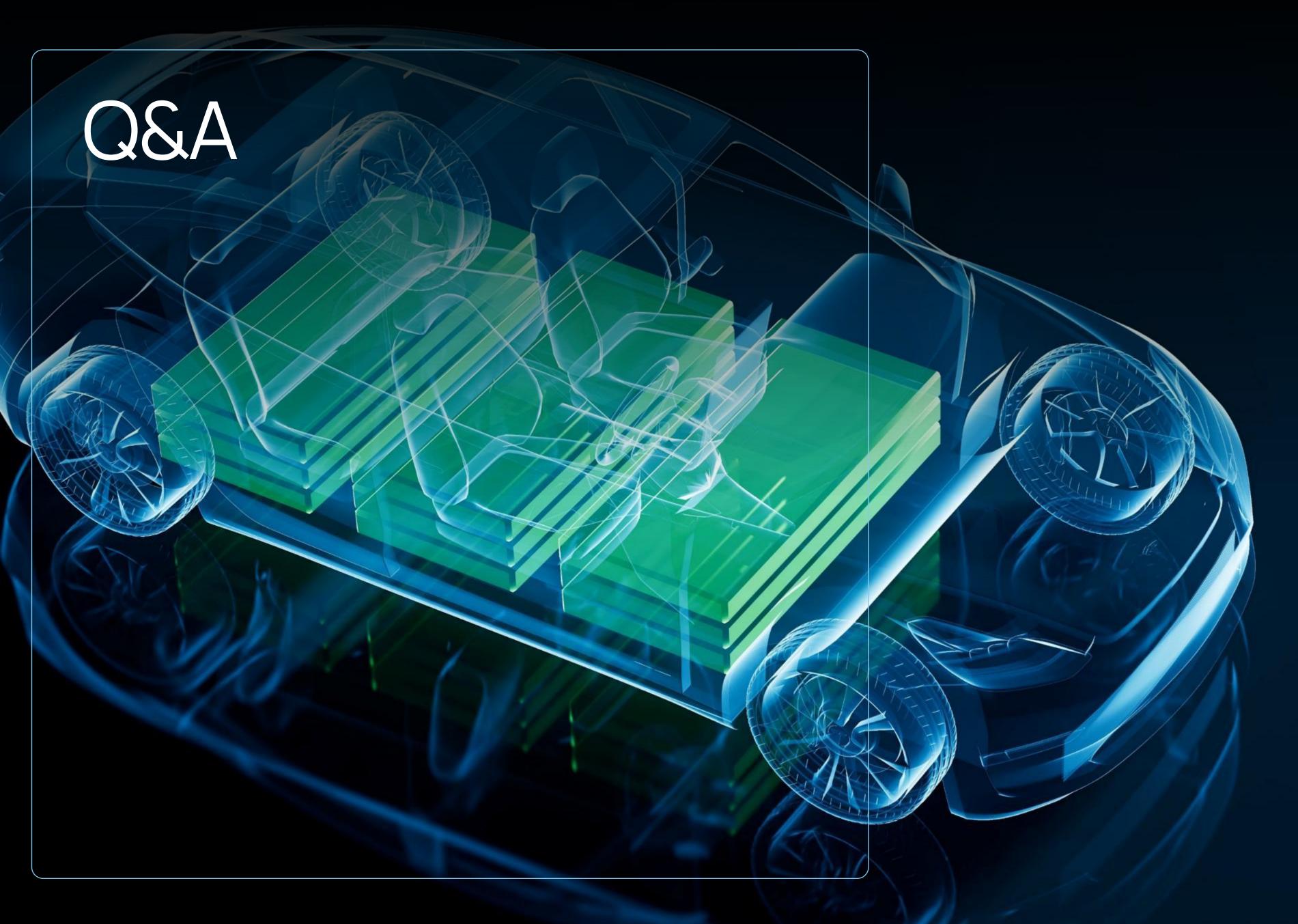
 Our UK Innovation Centre, Vietnam manufacturing, and Korean footwear innovation spoke enhance our ability to navigate the evolving trade landscape while driving innovation and growth

Customer Partnerships & Industry-led Growth

 With our strong customer partnerships and focus on industry-led growth, we are excited by the potential for the Group to deliver both on its medium-term targets and longer-term ambition

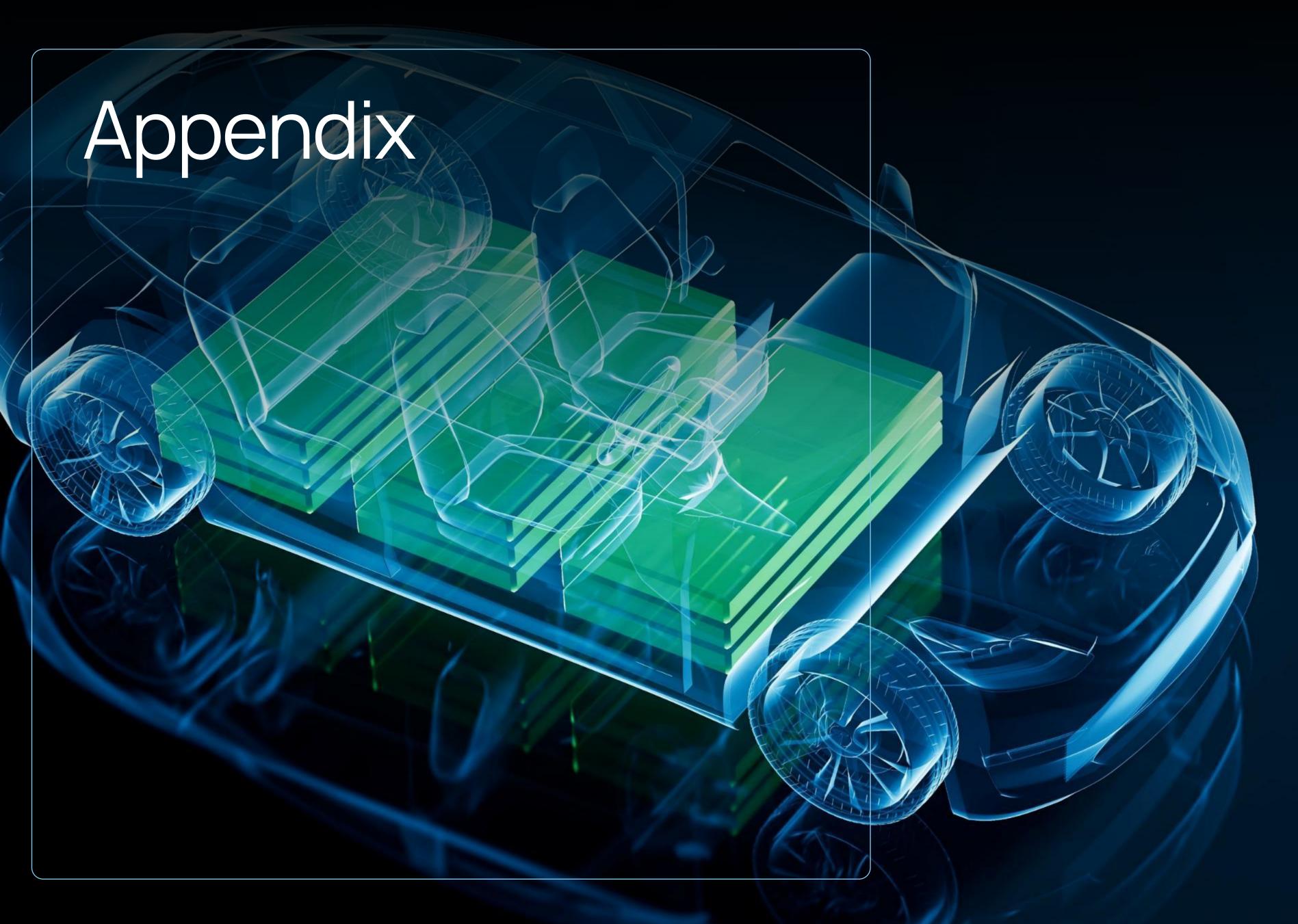














OUR MARKET VERTICALS & TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Consumer & Lifestyle



Sports & Leisure

- Impact protection padding
- Life jackets, swim floats, paddle boards
- Sports turf underlay
- Athletic shoes, impact pads

Transport & Smart Technologies



Transport

- Aircraft seats and seals
- Automotive seals and gaskets
- Galley areas, window seals, ECS (air ducting), soft touch trim/close outs, composites panels
- Automotive airducts



Medical

- PPE
- Product protection
- Buoyancy aids
- Prosthetics / orthoses
- Pads, seats and cushions



Product Protection

- Luxury, fine art and museum
- Industrial protective and transit
- Aviation & aerospace
- Electronics
- Space station transit pods
- Consumer (food and household)

Construction & Other Industrial





Building & Construction

- Roof and wall insulation
- District heating pipe spacers
- Seals and gaskets, acoustic dampening
- Piping, signage and insulation



Industrial

- Seals and gaskets
- Marine hoses and fenders
- Cleanroom environments
- High temperature facilities including food processing & personal care plants