

Vita 34 AG

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Q1 2013 Results

RATING PRICE TARGET

BUY €5.20

Return Potential 76.3% Risk Rating Medium

COST CONTAINMENT BEGINS TO PAY OFF

Vita 34 published solid Q1 2013 results on 25 April. Sales and operating income were in line with our expectations. The company looks set to achieve its FY 2013 guidance. Vita 34 predicts a moderate increase in sales and a significant improvement in EBITDA for the current fiscal year. 2014 sales are also forecast to increase moderately and the company's EBITDA margin is expected to be above 10%. Based on revised estimates for 2013E and subsequent years our updated DCF model yields an unchanged price target of EUR5.20. We reiterate our Buy rating.

Sales development Q1 2013 According to management the market environment for umbilical cord blood storages in Germany and Spain remained challenging during the first three months 2013. Vita 34 registered 1,614 storages in Q1 2013, which corresponds to a decrease of 6.8% y/y (1,732 storages in Q1/12) or 12.6% g/q (1,847 storages in Q4/12) respectively.

However, sales increased to EUR3.17m (FBe: EUR3.23m; Q1/12: EUR3.15m). Sales of Vita 34's Spanish activities remained at prior year's level (EUR805k), whereas the firm's DACH (Germany, Austria and Switzerland) activities generated slightly higher revenue of EUR2.53m (Q1/12: EUR2.48m).

Operating income development Q1 2013 Due to cost savings (mainly sales & marketing expenditures: -26.5% y/y to EUR1.16m), EBITDA improved to EUR342k (FBe: EUR371k; Q1/12: EUR-27k). EBIT came in at EUR56k (FBe: EUR82k; Q1/12: EUR-287k). While EBIT in the DACH region improved markedly y/y to EUR269k (Q1/12: EUR-202k), EBIT of Spanish activities deteriorated further to EUR-213k (Q1/12: EUR-85k) because of exceptional burdens. Due to higher tax expenses, net income amounted to EUR-20k (FBe: EUR70k; Q1/12: EUR-210k). EPS for the period was EUR0.00 (FBe: EUR0.02; Q1/12: EUR-0.08).

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FINANCIAL HISTORY & PROJECTIONS

	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E	2015E
Revenue (€m)	16.96	16.00	13.60	14.08	14.67	15.36
Y-o-y growth	n.a.	-5.7%	-15.0%	3.5%	4.2%	4.7%
EBIT (€m)	0.74	-0.34	-0.74	-0.14	0.40	0.74
EBIT margin	4.4%	-2.1%	-5.5%	-1.0%	2.7%	4.8%
Net income (€m)	0.35	1.26	-0.58	-0.17	0.42	0.71
EPS (diluted) (€)	0.13	0.48	-0.20	-0.05	0.14	0.23
DPS (€)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FCF (€m)	0.03	-1.69	1.36	-0.01	0.55	0.68
Net gearing	93.0%	74.6%	79.7%	71.5%	69.9%	67.8%
Liquid assets (€m)	3.69	3.03	3.50	1.70	2.25	2.93

RISKS

Risks to our price target include but are not limited to: marketing risk, competition risk, financial risk, and a lack of progress in scientific research.

COMPANY PROFILE

Vita 34 AG is a private umbilical-cord blood bank headquartered in Leipzig, Germany. The company offers expectant parents the one-time opportunity to preserve and store their baby's umbilical-cord blood for potential medical use.

MARKET DATA	As of 30 Apr 2013
Closing Price	€ 2.95
Shares outstanding	3.03m
Market Capitalisation	€ 8.93m
52-week Range	€ 2.51 / 3.35
Avg. Volume (12 Months)	1.320

Multiples	2012	2013E	2014E
P/E	n.a.	n.a.	21.1
EV/Sales	0.8	8.0	0.7
EV/EBIT	n.a.	n.a.	27.6
Div. Yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

STOCK OVERVIEW



COMPANY DATA	As of 31 Mar 2013
Liquid Assets	€ 2.66m
Current Assets	€ 7.21m
Intangible Assets	€ 21.31m
Total Assets	€ 35.43m
Current Liabilities	€ 4.44m
Shareholders' Equity	€ 20.47m

SHAREHOLDERS

Founder/Management	20.4%
Landesbank Baden-Württemberg	13.8%
HSCI OJSC	10.5%
Elvaston Partners GmbH	7.8%
Free Float	47.5%

Balance sheet and cash flow Given the significant improvement y/y at the net level, Vita 34's equity position remained almost unchanged q/q (EUR20.47m; end of F12: EUR20.49m). Due to the decrease in total assets, the firm's equity ratio improved to 57.8% (end of FY12: 56.0%).

While Vita 34's operating cash flow was solid (EUR167k; Q1/12: EUR217k), net cash flow declined to EUR-839k (Q1/12: EUR-479k) due mainly to the repayment of financial debt. Consequently, financial debt (short- & long-term) decreased to EUR1.30m (end of FY12: EUR2.14m). Liquid funds at the end of Q1 2013 amounted to EUR2.66m (end of FY12: EUR3.50m).

Guidance for 2013E and 2014E For the current fiscal year, Vita 34 predicts a moderate increase in sales and a significant improvement in the firm's EBITDA to roughly EUR1m. The firm's EBITDA margin in 2013E is expected to be around 7%.

Sales are also expected to increase moderately in 2014E. Moreover, Vita 34 predicts an increase in the company's EBITDA margin to more than 10%.

Growth prospects FY 2012 has been a year of transition for Vita 34. Following the acquisition of BioPlanta and given the pending approval of the production permit for the collection and processing of umbilical cord tissue, the company is now more diversified with regard to products and services as well as the regional markets it operates in:

Products & Services Vita 34's new product "VitaPlusUmbilicalCord" allows storage of the entire umbilical cord (see our comment dated 2 November 2012). Approval of the production permit for the collection and processing of umbilical cord tissue in accordance with the German Pharmaceuticals Act is expected in the near term.

According to "Bioinformant", Vita 34 is following a trend within the cord blood banking industry by introducing VitaPlusUmbilicalCord. At the moment, there is still a comparably low market penetration of companies' that are offering storage solutions for both, umbilical cord blood and tissue (roughly 20% of private cord blood banks in the US, according to Bioinformant). Since umbilical cord blood ("UCB") and tissue contain different types of stem cells, each have the potential to treat different kinds of diseases. The increasing significance of cord blood tissue can be seen in the year-on-year growth rates of clinical trials that are conducted with stem cells derived from cord blood tissue (see table below). Clinical research with cord blood tissue stem cells includes treatment for:

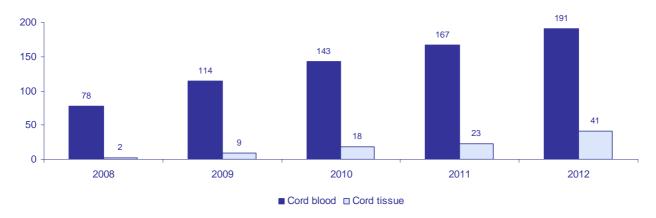
- Cartilage repair
- Diabetes
- Heart disease
- HIV
- Liver disease
- Stroke
- Serious wounds
- Spinal cord injury.

Table 1: Stem cells derived from cord tissue and cord blood

Source	Stem cell type	Description	No. of clinical trials conducted in 2012	No. of clinical trials conducted in 2011	y/y growth
Cord tissue	Mesenchymal	Form primarily structural and connective tissue	41	23	78%
Cord blood	Hematopoietic	Form primarily blood and immune cells	191	167	14%

Source: First Berlin Equity Research, Bioinformant

Figure 1: Clinical trials conducted with stem cells derived from...



Source: First Berlin Equity Research, Bioinformant

With regard to product diversification, acquisition of BioPlanta in the past fiscal year has also been an important step (see our comment dated 18 June 2012). BioPlanta develops biological processes for cell and tissue culture to use them for optimisation and multiplication of cells and plants.

With its new product VitaPlusUmbilicalCord, Bioplanta's know-how in the field of herbal stem cells and the expected expansion into the filed of induced pluripotent stem (ips) cells, the firm is on the verge of transforming from an umbilical cord blood bank into a stem cell bank.

Regional expansion Due to its presence in numerous markets abroad, acquisition of BioPlanta also accelerated Vita 34's regional expansion. The company's expansion strategy is based on co-operation agreements and the firm's "Vita 34 bag", an enclosed collection system which allows preparation of umbilical cord blood for preservation in any laboratory. Agreements also include certification and training of the co-operation partner's staff.

Table 2: International competition

Country	No. of blood banks *	Global market share **
USA	70	14.4%
Italy	23	4.7%
Spain	21	4.3%
India	19	3.9%
United Kingdom	17	3.5%
Canada	15	3.1%
Germany	13	2.7%
Israel	13	2.7%
Brazil	11	2.3%
Belgium	11	2.3%
Australia	10	2.1%
Poland	10	2.1%
Chile	10	2.1%
Cyprus	9	1.9%
China	9	1.9%
Rest of the World	224	46.2%
Total	485	100.0%

^{*} Public and private cord blood banks

Source: First Berlin Equity Research, wissensschau.de; Bioinformant

^{** %} of cord blood banks worldwide

According to management there is high demand especially in South East Europe. Vita 34's co-operation partner in Serbia for example is registering high demand from South European customers that used to store their UCB in Greece and are now searching for a "safer" storage solution. High demand from southern and south-eastern European countries is no surprise since these countries show higher birth rates when compared to other European countries (for example Cyprus: 12.6 births/1,000 population; Bosnia: 12.6 births/1,000 population; Germany: 8.3 births/1,000 population; Austria: 8.7 births/1,000 population).

Table 3: Market potential EU27 (selected markets)

Country	Birth rate *	Population **	Births
Germany	0.00833	81.73	680,778
United Kindom	0.01071	60.46	647,554
Italy	0.00872	60.77	529,914
Spain	0.01006	47.27	475,489
Poland	0.00985	38.22	376,428
Romania	0.01070	21.39	228,873
Netherlands	0.01090	16.70	181,986
Belgium	0.01048	11.01	115,364
Portugal	0.01072	10.60	113,653
Greece	0.00968	10.82	104,691
Hungary	0.00972	9.97	96,879
Czech Republic	0.00902	10.53	94,951
Austria	0.00874	8.49	74,190
Bulgaria	0.00966	7.36	71,142
Ireland	0.01445	4.58	66,199
Slovakia	0.01065	5.40	57,556
Lithuania	0.00875	3.20	28,026
Latvia	0.00924	2.22	20,513
Slovenia	0.00898	2.06	18,478
Estonia	0.00991	1.34	13,279
Cyprus	0.01256	0.89	11,116
Luxembourg	0.01194	0.52	6,173
Malta	0.01022	0.42	4,282
Total			4,017,515

^{*} births/1,000 population

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

in India as well.

China and India would also be lucrative markets for the company (due to large population and attractive birth rates). Despite the local birth control, the Chinese birth rate of 13.1 births per 1,000 population is higher than in (most) European countries. The Indian birth rate is even higher (22.0 births/1,000 population). According to research published by the University of Kansas, comparably low penetration rates for the cord blood banking industry and increasing interest in cord blood banking will lead to attractive growth rates in the future - especially in India. We would thus welcome if Vita 34 stepped up efforts to find a co-operation partner

^{**} in millions

Table 4: Market potential European periphery

Country	Birth rate *	Population **	Births
Russia	0.00995	141.93	1,412,204
Turkey	0.01662	74.72	1,241,917
Ukraine	0.00882	45.67	402,768
Israel	0.01797	8.00	143,800
Serbia and Montenegro	0.01211	10.83	131,141
Macedonia	0.01202	7.75	93,190
Switzerland	0.00971	7.91	76,777
Moldova	0.01570	3.56	55,876
Albania	0.01508	3.22	48,497
Bosnia-Herzegovina	0.01249	3.75	46,865
Croatia	0.00961	4.48	43,053
Total			3,696,089

^{*} births/1,000 population

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

Table 5: Market potential Americas

Country	Birth rate *	Population **	Births
USA	0.01414	313.91	4,438,745
Brazil	0.01683	196.66	3,309,704
Mexico	0.02069	112.34	2,324,243
Colombia	0.02048	46.93	961,068
Argentina	0.01690	40.76	688,921
Peru	0.02048	29.55	605,122
Venezuela	0.01872	29.28	548,084
Canada	0.01078	34.48	371,724
Ecuador	0.02267	14.67	332,479
Chile	0.01544	16.63	256,838
Bolivia	0.02376	10.39	246,864
Dominican Republic	0.02328	10.46	243,613
Honduras	0.02824	7.99	225,621
Paraguay	0.02910	6.57	191,137
El Salvador	0.02704	6.23	168,391
Nicaragua	0.02451	5.87	143,870
Costa Rica	0.01860	4.73	87,914
Panama	0.02174	3.33	72,450
Jamaica	0.02082	2.71	56,408
Puerto Rico	0.01277	3.75	47,923
Uruguay	0.01391	3.37	46,857
Total			15,367,977

^{*} births/1,000 population

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

^{**} in millions

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Table 6: Market potential Australasia

Country	Birth rate *	Population **	Births
India	0.02201	1241.49	27,325,238
China	0.01314	1344.13	17,661,868
Indonesia	0.02034	242.33	4,928,903
The Philippines	0.02489	92.34	2,298,289
Vietnam	0.01686	87.84	1,480,982
Japan	0.00937	127.82	1,197,648
Thailand	0.01387	69.52	964,273
Malaysia	0.02286	28.86	659,720
South Korea	0.01000	50.00	500,000
Taiwan	0.01256	23.13	290,486
Australia	0.01226	22.62	277,329
New Zealand	0.01376	4.45	61,163
Hong Kong	0.00729	7.07	51,552
Singapore	0.00934	5.18	48,416
Total			57,745,868

^{*} births/1,000 population

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

New customers Expansion of the B2B business is also expected to fuel future growth. In our view Vita 34 will intensify co-operation with research institutions in order to establish itself as stem cell bank for all kinds of stem cells. We believe that Vita 34's USP, its GMP certification, is an important argument when negotiating with its B2B partners.

Adjustments to our forecasts We have adjusted our forecasts for fiscal years 2013E and 2014E to the company's guidance. Based on the company's Q1 2013 results we have lowered our sales growth assumptions for the current fiscal year. Our new operating development forecast includes higher depreciation and amortisation and also takes into account Q1's one-off expenses associated with the firm's Spanish activities as well as increased OPEX due to an increase in headcount (FBe: three additional employees).

However, even though we lowered our EBIT and bottom-line estimates for the current fiscal year, the company looks set to achieve its goals for 2013. Despite Q1's decline in UCB storages, the company managed to increase EBITDA to EUR0.34m, which corresponds to one-third of the full year guidance.

Based on our lowered 2013E estimates, we continue to model a gradual increase in Vita 34's profitability, given the before mentioned growth prospects and the company's strict cost discipline. Changes to our forecasts are shown in table 8 (next page).

Unchanged price target and rating Our updated DCF model (shifted one year ahead) yields an unchanged price target of EUR5.20. We reiterate our Buy recommendation.

^{**} in million



Table 7: Estimates vs. reported figures

All figures in €m	Q1-13A	Q1-13E	Delta	Q1-12A	Delta
Sales	3.17	3.27	-2.9%	3.15	0.7%
EBITDA	0.34	0.37	-7.9%	-0.03	-
margin	10.8%	11.4%	-	-0.9%	-
Net income	0.01	0.07	-88.6%	-0.20	-
margin	0.3%	2.1%	-	4.7%	-
EPS (diluted, in €)	0.00	0.02	-100.0%	-0.08	-

Source: First Berlin Equity Research, Vita 34 AG

Table 8: Changes to forecasts

		2013E			2014E			2015E	
All figures in €m	Old	New	Delta	Old	New	Delta	Old	New	Delta
Sales	14.35	14.08	-1.9%	15.04	14.67	-2.4%	15.67	15.36	-2.0%
EBIT	0.44	-0.14	-	0.72	0.40	-45.1%	0.82	0.74	-9.5%
margin	3.1%	-1.0%	-	4.8%	2.7%	-	5.2%	4.8%	-
Net income	0.52	-0.17	-	0.74	0.42	-43.9%	0.83	0.71	-14.6%
margin	3.6%	-1.2%	-	4.9%	2.8%	-	5.3%	4.6%	-
EPS (diluted, in €)	0.17	-0.05	-	0.25	0.14	-43.9%	0.27	0.23	-14.6%

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

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Income statement

All figures in EUR '000	2010A	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Revenues	16,963	16,001	13,603	14,079	14,670	15,360
Cost Of Goods Sold	6,140	6,539	5,559	5,603	5,531	5,745
Gross Profit	10,823	9,462	8,044	8,476	9,140	9,615
S&M	7,241	6,970	5,770	5,871	5,956	6,052
G&A	3,048	2,929	3,082	3,140	3,198	3,256
Other Operating Income (Expense)	209	102	66	394	411	430
Operating Income (EBIT)	743	-335	-742	-141	396	737
Net Financial Result	-77	-161	-113	-16	96	102
Pre-tax Income (EBT)	666	-496	-855	-157	493	840
Income Taxes	317	-1,687	-246	16	49	84
Minority Interests	0	71	30	7	-27	-46
Net Income / Loss	349	1,262	-579	-165	416	709
Diluted EPS	0.13	0.48	-0.20	-0.05	0.14	0.23
EBITDA	1,687	638	414	993	1,507	1,701
Ratios						
EBIT margin	4.4%	neg.	neg.	neg.	2.7%	4.8%
EBITDA margin	9.9%	4.0%	3.0%	7.1%	10.3%	11.1%
Net margin	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	0.7%	0.7%
Expenses as % of revenues						
S&M	42.7%	43.6%	42.4%	41.7%	40.6%	39.4%
G&A	18.0%	18.3%	22.7%	22.3%	21.8%	21.2%
Y-Y Growth						
Revenue	n.a.	-5.7%	-15.0%	3.5%	4.2%	4.7%
Operating income	n.a.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	86.1%
Net income/ loss	n.a.	261.6%	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	70.5%

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Balance sheet

All figures in EUR '000	2010A	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Assets						
Current Assets, Total	10,139	7,670	8,184	6,510	7,168	8,011
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,687	3,026	3,497	1,699	2,249	2,931
Short-Term Investments	1,500	0	0	0	0	0
Receivables	2,914	2,748	2,665	2,777	2,894	3,030
Inventories	626	546	633	645	636	661
Other Current Assets	1,412	1,350	1,389	1,389	1,389	1,389
Non-Current Assets, Total	26,549	27,071	28,444	28,169	27,938	27,896
Property, Plant & Equipment	3,767	4,162	4,537	3,966	3,442	3,093
Goodwill & Other Intangibles	20,441	20,074	21,423	21,719	22,012	22,319
Other Assets	2,341	2,835	2,484	2,484	2,484	2,484
Total Assets	36,688	34,741	36,628	34,679	35,107	35,908
Shareholders' Equity & Debt						
Current Liabilities, Total	7,455	4,187	5,614	3,837	3,822	3,867
Short-Term Debt	2,060	1,374	1,791	0	0	0
Accounts Payable	892	600	1,168	1,182	1,167	1,212
Current Provisions	39	17	349	349	349	349
Other Current Liabilities	4,464	2,196	2,306	2,306	2,306	2,306
Longterm Liabilities, Total	10,415	10,545	10,520	10,520	10,520	10,520
Long Term Debt	1,760	1,810	349	349	349	349
Deferred Revenue	5,838	6,788	8,003	8,003	8,003	8,003
Other Liabilities	2,817	1,947	2,168	2,168	2,168	2,168
Minority interests	-406	268	238	231	258	304
Shareholders Equity	19,224	19,741	20,256	20,091	20,507	21,216
Total Consolidated Equity and Debt	36,688	34,741	36,628	34,679	35,107	35,908
Ratios						
Current ratio	1.36	1.83	1.46	1.70	1.88	2.07
Quick ratio	1.28	1.70	1.35	1.53	1.71	1.90
Financial leverage	1.91	1.76	1.81	1.73	1.71	1.69
Book value per share	7.26	7.46	7.14	6.64	6.78	7.01
Net cash	1,367	-158	1,307	1,300	1,850	2,532
Return on equity (ROE)	1.8%	6.4%	-2.9%	-0.8%	2.0%	3.3%

Cash flow statement

All figures in EUR '000	2010A	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
EBIT	743	-335	-742	-141	396	737
Depreciation and Amortization	944	973	1,156	1,134	1,110	964
EBITDA	1,687	638	414	993	1,507	1,701
Changes in Working Capital	-113	-1,161	1,916	-110	-124	-116
Other Adjustments	-566	-160	-9	-31	47	18
Operating Cash Flow	1,008	-683	2,321	852	1,430	1,604
CAPEX	-491	-647	-687	-563	-587	-614
Investments in Intangibles	-487	-358	-271	-296	-293	-307
Free Cash Flow	30	-1,688	1,363	-7	550	682
Debt Financing, net	626	-437	-1,044	-1,791	0	0
Equity Financing, net	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Changes in Cash	-3,222	1,662	434	0	0	0
Net Cash Flows	-2,566	-463	753	-1,798	550	682
Cash, start of the year	6,055	3,687	3,026	3,497	1,699	2,249
Cash, end of the year	3,489	3,224	3,779	1,699	2,249	2,931
EBITDA/share	0.64	0.24	0.15	0.33	0.50	0.56
Y-Y Growth						
Operating cash flow	n.a.	n.m.	n.m.	-63.3%	67.8%	12.2%
Free cash flow	n.a.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	24.1%
EBITDA/share	n.a.	-62.2%	-39.5%	124.9%	51.6%	n.m.



FIRST BERLIN RECOMMENDATION & PRICE TARGET HISTORY

Report No.:	Date of publication	Previous day closing price	Recommendation	Price target
Initial Report	12 July 2007	€12.43	Buy	€20.00
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28	23 July 2012	€2.74	Buy	€5.40
29	2 November 2012	€3.33	Buy	€5.20
30	18 March 2013	€2.81	Buy	€5.20
31	Today	€2.95	Buy	€5.20

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