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Key figures ¹					
			Change		
€ million	2022	2021	€ million	%	
Net sales	10,380	8,992	1,389	15.4%	
Operating result (EBIT) ²	2,808	2,480	328	13.2%	
Margin (% of net sales) ²	27.1%	27.6%			
EBITDA ³	3,678	3,258	420	12.9%	
Margin (% of net sales) ²	35.4%	36.2%			
EBITDA pre ²	3,760	3,287	473	14.4%	
Margin (% of net sales) ²	36.2%	36.6%			

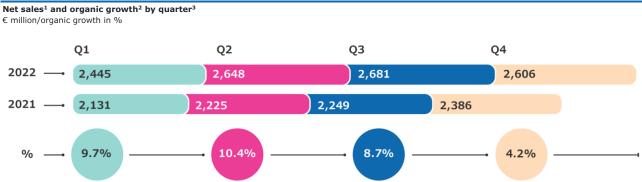
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Development of sales and results of operations

In fiscal 2022, Life Science generated organic sales growth of 8.2%. Including a favorable foreign exchange effect of 6.4% and a portfolio effect of 0.8%, net sales grew by 15.4% compared with the previous year. All three business units contributed to the organic growth, with the largest contribution coming from Process Solutions followed by Science & Lab Solutions and Life Science Services. Overall, Life Science net sales increased to $\le 10,380$ million (2021: $\le 8,992$ million).

The development of sales in the individual quarters in comparison with 2021 as well as the respective organic growth rates are presented in the following graph:

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Net sales by business unit ¹								
€ million	2022	Share	Organic growth ²	Exchange rate effects	Acquisitions / divestments	Total change	2021	Share
Science & Lab Solutions	4,898	47%	6.2%	6.0%	-	12.2%	4,367	48%
Process Solutions	4,526	44%	10.9%	6.6%		17.5%	3,853	43%
Life Science Services	956	9%	6.1%	8.0%	9.8%	23.9%	772	9%
Life Science	10,380	100%	8.2%	6.4%	0.8%	15.4%	8,992	100%

¹ Prior-year figures have been adjusted owing to the reorganization of the Life Science business sector completed on April 1, 2022, as well as to product reallocations between the Life Science and Electronics business sectors.

The Science & Lab Solutions business unit, which provides products and services to support life science research for pharmaceutical, biotechnology, academic research laboratories and researchers as well as scientific and industrial laboratories, delivered organic sales growth of 6.2% in 2022. This was mainly driven by growth in the core business amid a decline in pandemic-related demand. Including a favorable foreign exchange effect of 6.0%, net sales amounted to \in 4,898 million (2021: \in 4,367 million). Science & Lab Solutions thus accounted for 47% of Life Science net sales (2021: 48%). Organic sales growth was mainly driven by Asia-Pacific and North America.

The Process Solutions business unit, which markets products and services for the pharmaceutical production value chain, generated organic sales growth of 10.9%. While pandemic-related business declined as expected, the performance of the core business was robust. Including a favorable foreign exchange effect of 6.6%, net sales increased to \leqslant 4,526 million in 2022 (2021: \leqslant 3,853 million). The percentage contribution of the Process Solutions business unit to Life Science net sales was 44% (2021: 43%). In regional terms, mainly Europe and North America contributed to the organic sales growth within Process Solutions.

The Life Science Services business unit, which offers fully integrated Contract Development and Manufacturing Organization (CDMO) and Contract Testing services, accounted for a 9% share of Life Science net sales (2021: 9%). Life Science Services delivered an organic sales growth of 6.1% in 2022 which was driven by both Covid-19-related and core business sales. Including a favorable foreign exchange effect of 8.0% as well as a positive portfolio effect of 9.8% from the acquisition of Exelead Inc., USA, net sales totaled € 956 million (2021: ₹772 million). Geographically, Life Science Services organic sales growth was mainly attributable to the North America and Asia-Pacific regions.

Net sales of the business sector by region developed as follows:

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Net sales by region ¹								
€ million	2022	Share	Organic growth ²	Exchange rate effects	Acquisitions/ divestments	Total change	2021	Share
Europe	3,445	33%	7.9%	1.1%	0.7%	9.8%	3,139	35%
North America	3,931	38%	8.4%	13.3%	1.6%	23.3%	3,189	36%
Asia-Pacific (APAC)	2,536	25%	7.0%	3.9%		10.9%	2,286	25%
Latin America	353	3%	16.8%	9.0%	1.1%	26.9%	278	3%
Middle East and Africa (MEA)	116	1%	13.9%	2.0%		15.9%	100	1%
Life Science	10,380	100%	8.2%	6.4%	0.8%	15.4%	8,992	100%

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The following table presents the composition of EBITDA pre for 2022 in comparison with 2021. The International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) figures have been modified to reflect the elimination of adjustments included in the respective functional costs.

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Reconciliation EBITDA pre ^{1,2}							
_	2022				Change		
€ million	IFRS	Elimination of adjustments	Pre ²	IFRS	Elimination of adjustments	Pre ²	Pre ²
Net sales	10,380		10,380	8,992		8,992	15.4%
Cost of sales	-4,280	7	-4,273	-3,578	4	-3,574	19.6%
Gross profit	6,100	7	6,107	5,414	4	5,418	12.7%
Marketing and selling expenses	-2,400	16	-2,384	-2,119	5	-2,114	12.8%
Administration expenses	-400	22	-377	-352	22	-331	14.1%
Research and development costs	-399		-399	-351	1	-349	14.3%
Impairment losses and reversals of impairment losses on financial assets (net)	-9	_	-9	-3	-	-3	>100.0%
Other operating income and expenses	-85	61	-24	-109	7	-102	-76.4%
Operating result (EBIT) ²	2,808			2,480			
Depreciation/amortization/ impairment losses/reversals of impairment losses	870	-24	845	778	-11	767	10.2%
EBITDA ³	3,678			3,258			
Restructuring expenses	41	-41		26	-26	_	
Integration expenses/IT expenses	24	-24	_	21	-21	_	
Gains (-)/losses (+) on the divestment of businesses	_		_	-		_	
Acquisition-related adjustments	18	-18	_	-18	18	_	
Other adjustments	_	_	_	_	_	_	
EBITDA pre ²	3,760		3,760	3,287		3,287	14.4%
of which: organic growth ²							9.7%
of which: exchange rate effects						-	5.0%
of which: acquisitions/ divestments							-0.4%

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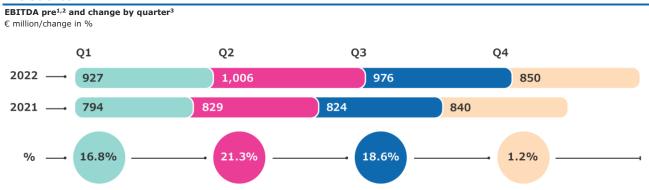
Adjusted gross profit increased by 12.7% to € 6,107 million (2021: € 5,418 million). The increase was mainly driven by a strong sales growth of the core business, while sales related to the Covid-19 pandemic declined. Adjusted marketing and selling expenses increased by 12.8% to € 2,384 million (2021: € 2,114 million) due to higher logistics costs and increased personnel expenses. Adjusted administration expenses increased by 14.1% to € 377 million (2021: € 331 million) owing to additional expenses to support our sustainability strategy as well as our organic transformation. Adjusted research and development costs increased by 14.3% to € 399 million (2021: € 349 million) driven mainly by our core growth areas. In addition to organic developments, unfavorable foreign exchange effects impacted the development of costs compared to 2021. After eliminating adjustments, amortization and depreciation, EBITDA pre rose by 14.4% to € 3,760 million (2021: € 3,287 million). Organically, the EBITDA pre grew by 9.7% in 2022.

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The development of EBITDA pre in the individual quarters in comparison with 2021 is presented in the following overview:

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