

# Singapore Equity Explorer

# **Cordlife Group Ltd**

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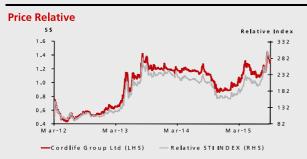
Return \*: 2 Risk: Moderate

Potential Target \*: 12-Month S\$ 1.30

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### Forecasts and Valuation

FY Jun (S\$ m)	2014A	2015A	2016F	2017F
Turnover	49	58	67	76
EBITDA	8	7	17	19
Pre-tax Profit	32	33	12	13
Net Profit	30	32	11	13
Net Pft (Pre Ex.)	5	7	11	13
EPS (S cts)	12.0	12.4	4.3	5.0
EPS Pre Ex. (S cts)	2.1	2.5	4.3	5.0
EPS Gth (%)	107	3	(65)	15
EPS Gth Pre Ex (%)	(49)	22	72	15
Diluted EPS (S cts)	11.8	12.3	4.3	5.0
Net DPS (S cts)	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2
BV Per Share (S cts)	53.6	62.6	64.9	67.6
PE (X)	10.5	10.2	29.1	25.4
PE Pre Ex. (X)	60.7	49.9	29.1	25.4
P/Cash Flow (X)	85.0	nm	23.1	26.1
EV/EBITDA (X)	35.0	61.4	25.3	22.3
Net Div Yield (%)	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7
P/Book Value (X)	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.9
Net Debt/Equity (X)	CASH	0.6	0.5	0.5
ROAE (%)	4.8	4.3	6.8	7.5
Consensus EPS (S cts):			4.2	4.8
Other Broker Recs:		B: 3	S: 0	H: 0

**ICB Industry**: Consumer Services **ICB Sector**: General Retailers

**Principal Business:** Provides cord blood and tissue banking services in Asia. Its services include the collection, processing, testing, cryopreservation and storage of umbilical cord blood at birth. *Source of all data: Company, DBS Bank, Bloomberg Finance L.P.* 

## Special dividend on the cards

- A regional market leader in cord blood banking
- Potential special dividends from sale of CCBC investment
- Fair value of S\$1.30 based on SOTP valuation

### The Business

Market leader in cord blood banking. Cordlife provides cord blood and cord lining banking services regionally. Its services include the collection, processing, testing, cryopreservation and storage of umbilical cord blood at birth. Its revenue is predominantly derived from Singapore, India and Hong Kong.

Driving growth geographically and through new products. We see growth coming from market share gains via higher market penetration in existing markets as well as through new products. Cordlife has developed a new Diagnostics product segment. This is in line with Cordlife's vertical growth plan to improve economies of scope by offering complementary products and services catering to the mother and child segment.

### The Stock

Stock's fair value at S\$1.30 based on SOTP. The stock currently trades at 25.4x FY15 PE, in line with Singapore listed healthcare peers. We value Cordlife at a fair value of S\$1.30 based on SOTP. Cordlife's stake in Stemlife (S\$0.04/share) and CCBC (S\$0.24/share) are based on market value, while we value Cordlife's core business (S\$1.41/share) based on DCF (t=4%, WACC=8.1%). Net debt is S\$0.39/share.

### Special dividends of up to S\$0.07 per share on the cards.

Cordlife is in the process of selling all its shares and convertible notes in CCBC to Golden Meditech for c.S\$152m. The completion is subject to Golden Meditech's shareholders' approval on 15 October 2015. Cordlife has the intention to pay out special dividends after taking care of working capital requirements and bank borrowings. The excess S\$152m less S\$120m liabilities of fixed rate notes is worth c.S\$0.07 per share.

### At A Glance

Issued Capital (m shrs)	259
Mkt. Cap (S\$m/US\$m)	327 / 228
Major Shareholders	
Wells Spring Pte Ltd (%)	11.3
Coop International Pte Ltd (%)	11.2
China Stem Cells East Co Ltd (%)	9.8
Free Float (%)	53.6
Avg. Daily Vol.('000)	1,872

<sup>\*</sup>This Equity Explorer report represents a preliminary assessment of the subject company, and does not represent initiation into DBSV's coverage universe. As such DBSV does not commit to regular updates on an ongoing basis. The rating system is distinct from stocks in our regular coverage universe and is explained further on the back page of this report.

### **REVENUE DRIVERS**

**Predominantly a cord blood banking business.** Cordlife is predominantly a cord blood banking business which holds clients' cord blood for a fee. In FY15, almost all of its reported revenue was derived from Cord Blood and Cord Lining Banking. Its operations are in Singapore, Hong Kong, Philippines, Indonesia and India. Based on FY15's geographical breakdown, Singapore, Hong Kong and India contributed 88% of its total revenue.

Owns shares in China Cord Blood and Stemlife Bhd. Cordlife owns a 9.13% stake in NYSE-listed China Cord Blood Corporation (CCBC), as well as S\$72m worth of its convertible notes. CCBC owns cord blood banks in Beijing, Guangdong and Zhejiang provinces. Cordlife's equity stake in CCBC is accounted for as an investment. Gains or losses are recognised via fair value accounting. Cordlife also owns a 31.8% stake in KLSE-listed Stemlife Bhd. Stemlife's earnings are recognised via the equity method as an associate.

### **COST STRUCTURE**

**Processing fee forms bulk of cost.** Per contract, about 70% of Cordlife's cost of sales is processing costs, while the balance of 30% comprises storage fees. As facility cost for storage in Singapore is fixed, Cordlife has room to gain economies of scale from higher utilisation of its Singapore storage facility.

**Stable recurring income.** We view Cordlife's Banking operations largely as a depository business. Cord lining and Cord Blood is deposited at Cordlife's facility for a fee. Customers sign up for banking plans of up to 18-21 years depending on age and jurisdiction. There are various payment plans from full upfront payment to annual installment plans. Cashflows from these payments help to support liquidity in its working capital. Hence, operating cashflow is generally positive.

**Adequately covered by insurance.** We believe Cordlife is adequately covered by insurance against potential losses and claims. There is also a cap of up to a maximum of S\$4m claim per case in the event of any negligence.

### **KEY OPERATING ASSETS**

**Two processing facilities.** Cordlife operates processing facilities located in Singapore, Hong Kong, Philippines, India and Indonesia. There are a total of c.100,000 cord blood units stored in these locations. Its Yishun facility in Singapore can store up to 650,000 cord blood units. This will facilitate a larger customer base and bigger scale. Cordlife also provides umbilical cord lining banking in all countries.

Chart 1: FY15 revenue breakdown by geography

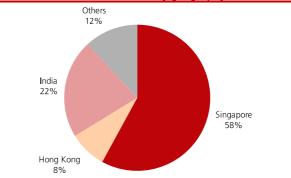
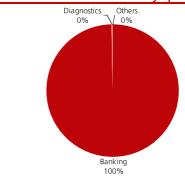


Chart 2: FY15 revenue breakdown by operating segment



**Chart 3: Organisation chart** 



**Table 1: Pricing structure in Singapore** 

Company	Collection Fee or One Time Fee	Annual Storage Fee	Storage Period
Cordlife	S\$1,950	S\$250	21 years
	S\$6,200	0	21 years
	S\$4,200 for the 1st 10	S\$250 for the next	21 years
	yrs	11 yrs	

Source: Company, DBS Bank



### **GROWTH PROSPECTS**

Geographical expansion and new products. Cordlife's focus is on the mother and child segment. It will expand both geographically for its cord blood and umbilical cord lining banking business and will introduce new products to target its customers. Cordlife has since 2013 diversified away from the Cord Blood and Cord Lining Banking business into Diagnostics. MetaScreen, a metabolic screening test was introduced in 2013 and is now offered across its markets (except Singapore), both individually and as a bundle with cord blood and cord lining banking. There are new Diagnostics products to be introduced in the pipeline, including eye testing screening for kids. Nonetheless, diagnostics' contribution to overall business is still small at below 1% of total revenues. Meanwhile, Cordlife will focus on growing its Banking business in existing markets of India, Philippines and Indonesia. Currently, Cordlife is in key cities in Philippines and Indonesia. It is expanding into other cities outside of metropolitan Manila and Jakarta into areas including Cebu, Davao City, Medan, Surabaya and Bali.

**Increasing awareness and acceptance.** With higher educational attainment, the younger population has greater awareness and acceptance of cord blood and cord lining banking as a form of biological insurance. The successful transplants so far and active participation in cord blood banking from hospitals, both private and public, are also contributing factors to a more favourable attitude towards banking. Cordlife's selling and marketing expenses in FY15 were 31% of total sales.

### **MANAGEMENT & STRATEGY**

**Led by Mr. Jeremy Yee.** Cordlife is led by its Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer Mr. Jeremy Yee, who oversees its overall business strategy, corporate development and business growth. He is supported by Executive Officers who have taken up other positions within the company before assuming their current leadership roles. Cordlife believes that the cross functional experience it has given its people have helped to broaden their knowledge of the industry and the company. Four of its five key management executives have been with the company for at least nine years.

**Improving scale and scope.** Cordlife aims to achieve sustainable long-term growth through economies of scale and scope. Expanding its geographical footprint will fuel horizontal growth plans, while expanding its product and service range will vertically improve growth. Most notably, Cordlife has grown its India business since 2009 and has introduced Diagnostics products to support this.

**Realising CCBC investment.** Cordlife intends to realise its investment in CCBC. On 8 May 2015, it entered into an agreement with Golden Meditech Holdings Ltd to sell all its CCBC shares and Convertible Notes for c.S\$152m. This is still subject to Golden Meditech shareholders' approval at an EGM on 15 October 2015. The excess S\$152m less liabilities of S\$120m fixed rate notes is equivalent to c.S\$0.07 per share in special dividends.

**Table 2: Key Competitors** 

Market	Key Competitors	Total players
Singapore	Stemcord, Singapore Cord Blood Bank	3
Hong Kong	Health Baby, CryoLife	6
Malaysia	Cellsafe, CryoCord, KOZA, StemTech	5
India	LifeCell, CyroBanks	11
Philippines	StemCord, Medical City	5
Indonesia	BabyBanks, StemCord	5
China	China Cord Blood Corporation, Zhongyuan Union Cell, Shandong Province Cord Blood Bank	8

Table 3: Key Management Team

Name	Designation
Dr Ho Choon Hou	Non-executive Chairman
Mr Yee Pinh, Jeremy	CEO
Ms Thet Hnin Yi	CFO
Mr Laiu Yen San, Jonathan	Senior Director Corporate Development
Ms Woon Geok Peng, Jamie	Business Unit Director, Banking
Ms Lee Mei Suan, Stella	Business Unit Director, Organisational Development
Ms Tan Huiying	Business Unit Director, Diagnostics

**Table 4: Management Remuneration Structure** 

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Name	FY15 total remuneration				
Dr Ho Choon Hou	S\$250,000 and below				
Mr Yee Pinh, Jeremy	Above \$\$500,000 to \$\$1,000,000				
Ms Thet Hnin Yi	Above S\$250,000 to S\$500,000				
Mr Laiu Yen San, Jonathan	Above S\$250,000 to S\$500,000				
Ms Woon Geok Peng, Jamie	S\$250,000 and below				
Ms Lee Mei Suan, Ste <b>ll</b> a	S\$250,000 and below				
Ms Tan Huiying	S\$250,000 and below				
Source: Company, DBS Bank					

Segmental Breakdown
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FY Jun	2012A	2013A	2014A	2015A	2016F	2017F		
Revenues (S\$ m)								
Banking	29	35	49	57	64	72 🥿		
Diagnostics	0	0	0	0	3	4、		
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0 \		
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Total	29	35	49	58	67	76		in in deriesia, i mi
Operating profit (S\$ m)						<u> </u>		
Banking	7	7	9	6	13	14	\	
Diagnostics	0	0	0	0	0	0		F . 1
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0		Expect volume or
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Total	7	7	9	6	12	14		
<b>Operating profit Margins</b>	(%)							
Banking	26.0	21.2	18.5	10.4	19.5	19.8		
Diagnostics	N/A	N/A	n/m	n/m	(3.8)	0.0		
Others	N/A	N/A	(13.2)	(4.5)	N/A	N/A		
Total	26.0	21.2	18.4	9.9	18.6	18.7		

Income Statement (S\$ m)

FY Jun	2012A	2013A	2014A	2015A	2016F	2017F
Revenue	29	35	49	58	67	76
Cost of Goods Sold	(9)	(9)	(14)	(18)	(20)	(23)
Gross Profit	20	25	35	40	47	53
Other Opng (Exp)/Inc	(13)	(18)	(26)	(34)	(34)	(39)
Operating Profit	7	7	9	6	13	14
Other Non Opg (Exp)/Inc	0	0	0	0	0	0
Associates & JV Inc	2	3	(2)	0	2	2
Net Interest (Exp)/Inc	0	0	0	2	(3)	(3)
Exceptional Gain/(Loss)	(2)	4	25	26	0	0
Pre-tax Profit	8	15	32	33	12	13
Tax	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	0	0
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Preference Dividend	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Profit	7	13	30	32	11	13
Net Profit before Except.	9	9	5	7	11	13
EBITDA	10	11	8	7	17	19
Growth						
Revenue Gth (%)	12.1	20.6	41.5	17.3	16.2	14.1
EBITDA Gth (%)	8.1	6.2	(24.9)	(14.9)	138.2	12.0
Opg Profit Gth (%)	3.6	(1.5)	22.4	(36.7)	120.2	13.5
Net Profit Gth (%)	(18.3)	94.7	125.3	5.7	(65.0)	14.6
Margins & Ratio						
Gross Margins (%)	69.6	73.0	71.0	69.5	70.0	70.0
Opg Profit Margin (%)	26.0	21.2	18.4	9.9	18.7	18.7
Net Profit Margin (%)	30.8	27.3	10.7	11.4	16.8	16.9
ROAE (%)	15.9	12.8	4.8	4.3	6.8	7.5
ROA (%)	12.2	9.0	3.4	2.5	3.3	3.7
ROCE (%)	10.3	7.3	6.2	2.2	3.8	4.2
Div Payout Ratio (%)	52.5	68.6	100.5	79.0	48.4	44.3
Net Interest Cover (x)	NM	NM	NM	NM	4.3	4.9

**Margins Trend** 



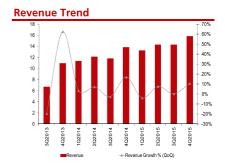
Source: Company, DBS Bank

#### Balance Sheet (S\$ m) Asset Breakdown (2015) 2012A 2013A 2014A 2015A 2016F 2017F FY Jun Assets -Net Fixed Assets 6 8 8 10 9 Invts in Associates & JVs 18 28 17 14 16 18 Other LT Assets 38 58 103 258 258 258 Cash & ST Invts 19 12 30 37 43 46 0 0 Inventory socs/JVs Debtors 9 12 20 13 15 18 Other Current Assets Inventory - 0.7% 120 333 340 **Total Assets** 90 191 349 Bank, Cash and Liquid ST Debt 0 0 4 4 4 4 Assets -19.7% Other Current Liab 8 17 16 17 18 20 2 6 8 125 125 125 Includes 7% Senior Other LT Liabilities 8 20 21 25 Unsecured CCBC Shareholder's Equity 71 78 141 162 168 175 Convertible Note Due Minority Interests 0 0 0 0 2017 and loans to Total Cap. & Liab. 90 120 191 333 <u>340</u> 349 Magnum Opus valued at Non-Cash Wkg. Capital S\$62m. 2 Ω 5 3 (2)2 Net Cash/(Debt) (86) (100)(92)33 16 6 97.5 108.9 Debtors Turn (avg days) 93.0 89.2 89.9 90.7 Creditors Turn (avg days) 114.1 218.1 235.2 235.5 253.2 255.4 Inventory Turn (avg days) 14.6 18.1 15.5 17.2 18.4 18.4 Asset Turnover (x) 0.4 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.2 0.2 Current Ratio (x) 3.5 2.4 2.6 2.7 1.6 3.1 Raised S\$120m 4.9% Quick Ratio (x) 3.3 1.4 2.9 2.1 2.5 2.6 fixed rate note due 2017 Net Debt/Equity (X) CASH 0.5 0.5 CASH CASH 0.6 for 1) US\$44 in CCBC Net Debt/Equity ex MI (X) CASH CASH **CASH** 0.6 0.5 0.5 CBs, and 2) c.US\$45 to Capex to Debt (%) 28.4 15.0 0.9 0.8 0.8 93.6 5.5 lend Magnum Opus. 9.9 4.8 5.2 NΑ NΑ Z-Score (X) Cash Flow Statement (S\$ m) **Capital Expenditure** 2012A 2016F FY Jun 2013A 2014A 2015A 2017F 3.5 Pre-Tax Profit 8 15 32 33 13 12 3.0 Dep. & Amort. 2 2 2 2.5 0 Tax Paid (2) (1)(1) (2)(1) Assoc. & JV Inc/(loss) (2) (2) (3)0 (2)2.0 Chg in Wkg.Cap. (1) (6)(10)4 (1) 1.5 Other Operating CF 2 (4) (25)(28)0 0 1.0 **(4)** (1) Net Operating CF 9 12 6 14 0.5 Capital Exp.(net) (2) (2) (2) (1)(1) Other Invts (net) 0 (4) 0 0.0 (58)0 2011A 2012A 2013A 2015F 0 0 Invts in Assoc. & JV (5) (8) 0 0 Ò ■ Capital Expenditure (-) Div from Assoc & JV 0 Ó 0 0 1 Other Investing CF (18)(7)0 (2) Includes investment in Net Investing CF (1) (20)(10)(14)(61)(1) (5) Div Paid (5) (7)(5) (5)(6) CCBC CBs. Chg in Gross Debt 58 2 3 7 0 0 Capital Issues 0 26 34 0 0 0 Other Financing CF Λ 0 (1) (6) 7 0 Net Financing CF 23 (3) 34 47 (5) (6) Currency Adjustments 0 0 0 Ó Includes S\$120m fixed Chg in Cash 9 (5) 25 (18)8 6 rate note raised for Opg CFPS (S cts) 2.9 3.4 3.7 5.1 2.2 4.1 Free CFPS (S cts) 4.4 CCBC CBs. 1.6 3.0 0.7 (2.1)5.1

Source: Company, DBS Bank

### Quarterly / Interim Income Statement (S\$ m)

FY Jun	3Q2014	4Q2014	1Q2015	2Q2015	3Q2015	4Q2015
Revenue	12	14	13	14	14	16
Cost of Goods Sold	(3)	(4)	(4)	(5)	(4)	(4)
Gross Profit	9	10	9	9	10	12
Other Oper. (Exp)/Inc	(6)	(7)	(8)	(6)	(8)	(13)
Operating Profit	2	3	1	3	2	(1)
Other Non Opg (Exp)/Inc	0	0	0	0	0	Ò
Associates & JV Inc	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Interest (Exp)/Inc	0	0	1	0	1	1
Exceptional Gain/(Loss)	0	14	(5)	(7)	16	21
Pre-tax Profit	2	17	(3)	(3)	19	21
Tax	0	(1)	0	0	0	0
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Profit	2	16	(5)	(5)	15	17
Net profit bef Except.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
EBITDA	3	3	1	4	2	(1)
Growth						
Revenue Gth (%)	(2.7)	16.9	(4.0)	7.5	0.1	10.6
EBITDA Gth (%)	2.5	10.4	(54.5)	176.1	(33.8)	nm
Opg Profit Gth (%)	11.9	19.0	(65.5)	256.1	(36.1)	nm
Net Profit Gth (%)	(62.8)	911.1	nm	(17.0)	nm	8.1
Margins						
Gross Margins (%)	74.0	71.9	68.3	65.9	68.6	74.5
Opg Profit Margins (%)	20.0	20.4	7.3	24.3	15.5	(6.0)
Net Profit Margins (%)	16.7	14.3	2.7	8.3	(3.2)	(28.6)



Source: Company, DBS Bank

### **VALUATIONS**

Fair value of S\$1.30 using SOTP methodology. We value Cordlife using SOTP methodology. We account for the core business' cashflow nature using DCF, while taking into account Cordlife's investment value in both CCBC and Stemlife. Fair value works out to be S\$1.30 per share, at an implied PE of 30x, which is above Singapore listed peers.

**Risk Assessment: Moderate** 

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Category	Risk Rating 1 (Low) - 3 (High)	Wgt	Wgtd Score			
Earnings	3	40%	1.2			
Financials	1	20%	0.2			
Shareholdings	1	40%	0.4			
Overall			1.8			

### Expect steady earnings growth & strong balance sheet.

Cordlife runs a depository business which yields stable cashflows. Growth is slow and dependent on birth rates. Yet, the recurring payment element of cord blood banking plans offers stability but steady growth in terms of sales and earnings. Post successful sale of shares and convertible notes in CCBC, we expect its balance sheet to be in net cash once again.

### Diluted shareholding structure, professionally managed.

Shareholding in Cordlife is thin, with the largest shareholder owning only 10% of the company. Its management team and board are professionals and does not hold any majority stake in the company.

**Table 5: SOTP valuation** 

SOTP Valuation		
SOTP components	Valn S\$	Basis
Core business	366	DCF (t=4%, WACC=8.1%)
CCBC	61	Mkt value
Stemlife Bhd	10	Mkt value
Net debt	-101	FY15F net debt
Equity Value	336.3	
Shares	259.3	
Fair V alue	1.30	

c	Country	Market Cap (S\$m)	Px Last	PE (Act)	PE (Yr 1)	PE(Yr 2)	P/BV (x)	ROE (%)	Operating Margin	Net Margin	Dividend Yield
Company Cordlife Group	Singapore	327	1,26	60.7x	49,9x	29.1x	2.0x	4%	(%) 9,9%	(%) 11,4%	(%) 1.6%
Coronie Gloup	stigapole	327	1,20	00.71	45,5%	25,11	2,00	+70	9,970	11,470	1.07
International co	rd blood banking	peers									
Medipost	Korea; Republic	828.6	91,100	175.2	87.0	81.8	5.3	-2%	-4.3%	-4.5%	0.09
Green Cross Cell	Korea; Republic	695.9	49,350	(473.4)	187.1	93.2	14.6	-5%	2.5%	-5.1%	0.0%
China Cord Blood	Cayman Islands	683.2	6.00	32.7	36.4	28.0	1.7	10%	40.5%	20.4%	N/A
Cryolife	United States of	399.2	9.89	86.6	(581.8)	45.7	1.9	6%	6.1%	5.1%	1.29
HLB	Korea; Republic	1007.7	24,850	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-9%	N/A	N/A	0.09
Bionet Corp	Taiwan	62.2	28.90	60.4	28.9	N/A	1.3	3%	-1.0%	7.0%	2.49
StemLife	Malaysia	30.4	0.38	(35.3)	N/A	N/A	3.9	-5%	-22.2%	-11.4%	0.09
VITA 34	Germany	24.8	5.17	11.8	16.4	14.3	0.7	8%	2.5%	8.0%	2.99
Life Corporation	Australia	5.8	0.1	(4.3)	N/A	N/A	-84.2	-78%	-120.6%	-118.6%	0.09
		Regional average		(18.3)	(37.6)	52.6	(6.9)	-8%	-12.1%	-12.4%	0.8%
Singapore listed	medical peers										
Raffles Medical	Singapore	2552.5	4.44	36.7	34.8	31.1	4.4	16%	20.3%	18.1%	1.29
Pacific Healthcr	Singapore	4.0	0.01	(0.8)	0.2	N/A	17.5	-130%	-15.8%	-4.8%	0.09
Health Mgmt Intl	Singapore	150.1	0.26	16.4	N/A	N/A	2.9	43%	14.1%	5.5%	N/A
Healthway	Singapore	81.4	0.04	6.0	11.7	N/A	0.4	5%	-11.4%	11.5%	0.09
ntl Healthway	Singapore	141.0	0.08	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25%	N/A	N/A	0.09
Biosensors	Bernuda	1201.7	0.68	61.1	21.1	18.6	3.5	-20%	12.6%	-72.9%	0.09
SG Medical Group	Singapore	38.6	0.14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8%	N/A	N/A	0.09
Q & M Dental	Singapore	552.8	0.71	41.2	44.4	30.2	6.9	19%	11.4%	8.5%	1.0%
		Regio	nal average	26.8	22.4	26.6	5.9	-4%	5.2%	-5.7%	0.3%

Source: DBS Bank, Bloomberg Finance L.P

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- 1 (>20% potential returns over the next 12 months)
- 2 (0 20% potential returns over the next 12 months)
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