Business Segment

Main Areas and Products

Results of Operations (2015/3)

Medical Business



Gastrointestinal Endoscopes

Endoscopy systems (videoscopes, video processors, light sources, liquid crystal display (LCD) panels); Peripheral equipment (image recording device, endoscope cleaning systems, sterilization systems), etc.

Surgical Devices

Surgical video endoscopy systems, peripheral devices for endoscopic surgery, electrosurgical knives, etc.

Endotherapy Devices

Endoscopic devices for all disciplines of endoscopy (approximately 1,000 different devices for various diagnostic and treatment procedures, including biopsy forceps, high-frequency polypectomy snares, grasping forceps, stone retrieval and lithotriptor baskets, hemostasis accessories, etc.)

Double-digit sales growth was recorded in the gastrointestinal endoscope, surgical device, and endotherapy device fields. Sales of mainstay gastrointestinal and surgical endoscopes continued to increase, and sales in North America, Europe, Asia, and other overseas markets drove overall performance improvements. As a result, the Medical Business posted record-breaking figures for both net sales and operating income for the second consecutive year, with net sales of ¥558.3 billion, up 13% year on year, and operating income of ¥124.9 billion, up 11%.

Scientific Solutions Business



Life Science

Upright microscopes and polarizing microscopes, inverted microscopes, laser confocal microscopes, box-type fluorescence imaging devices, stereo microscopes, fluorescence macromicroscopes, microscope digital cameras, imaging software. bio-imaging systems, virtual slide systems

Industrial

Metallurgical microscopes, semiconductor inspection microscopes, laser microscopes, measuring microscopes, microscopic 3D measurement systems, industrial videoscopes, industrial fiberscopes, industrial rigid scopes, ultrasonic flaw detectors, eddy current flaw detectors, phased array flaw detectors, X-ray diffraction analyzers, peripheral equipment

In the life science field, performance benefited from contributions from the sales of our laser scanning microscopes, which are used in advanced life science research. In the industrial field, corporate capital expenditures were on the rise, and sales of industrial videoscopes and ultrasonic flaw detectors were strong as a result. In addition, structural reforms created improvements in profitability, leading net sales in the Scientific Solutions Business to increase 6% year on year, to ¥103.9 billion, and operating income to grow 39%, to ¥6.8 billion.

Imaging Business



Digital Cameras

Mirrorless interchangeable-lens cameras, compact digital cameras, digital camera-related products, digital camera lens barrels, optical components

IC recorders, binoculars

Net sales in the focus area of mirrorless cameras increased 16% year on year following higher sales of the OM-D series in Europe as well as favorable sales of interchangeable lenses. Overall, net sales in the Imaging Business were down 13%, to ¥83.8 billion, as we reduced compact digital camera sales volumes. Operating loss was ¥13.9 billion as a result of forward-looking investments in business-to-business (BtoB) operations.

Others

In order to allocate management resources to business domains in a more concentrated manner, we reorganized non-core business domains, and withdrew from the biologics business in the previous fiscal year. As a result, net sales in the Others Business amounted to ¥18.6 billion, down 29% year on year, and profitability was achieved with operating income of ¥1.2 billion.

Company History

1919



1920

Asahi 600x microscope Established as Takachiho Seisakusho introduced to manufacture micro-



Semi-Olympus I, the first Olympus camera introduced, marking entry into camera business



Name changed to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd.

The Company listed on the TSE



1950

Development of world's first practical gastrocamera



1968

Entry into industrial endoscope field

scopes in Japan

