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ELI LILLY AND COMPANY 2015 ANNUAL REPORT AND PROXY STATEMENT

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YEARS OF SERVICE

Lilly is introducing an integrated report for 2015, combining two traditional publications: our annual report, covering our business and financial results, and our corporate responsibility report, focused on our broad-based social and environmental goals, activities, and impacts. Our first integrated report, covering our performance in 2015, will be posted online in May 2016 at www.lilly.com.

We are making this change to better capture all of the ways that Lilly's business performance and research progress, coupled with our corporate responsibility activities, create value for our investors and other stakeholders over time. We believe this approach will streamline our reporting, while providing a richer picture of our company and how we operate.



John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D., Lilly's chairman, president, and chief executive officer, and Jan Lundberg, Ph.D., president of Lilly Research Laboratories, join with employees of the Lilly Cambridge Innovation Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts, at the center's opening.

To Our Lilly Shareholders:

May 10, 2016, marks the 140th anniversary of the founding of Eli Lilly and Company, a milestone that very few U.S. companies our size have ever reached. We've done it by staying true to our values—integrity, excellence, and respect for people—and to our mission of discovering and developing new medicines that make life better for people around the world.

In 2015, our commitment to innovation bore fruit in a truly extraordinary year for Lilly. Even as we turned the corner in our business results and began to grow again after a prolonged period of patent expirations, we achieved unprecedented progress across our research and development efforts. Through it all, we honored our commitments to those who have a stake in our business including patients, customers, physicians, the communities where we operate, our shareholders, and our employees who make it all possible.

2015 Business Results and Pipeline Progress

In 2015, despite unprecedented and substantial currency headwinds brought on by the strengthening U.S. dollar, we returned to revenue growth, led by Cyramza® and Trulicity® following their strong launches, with significant contributions from our enlarged Elanco animal health business. Revenue increased 2 percent to \$19.96 billion, as six of our products and Elanco exceeded \$1 billion in annual sales. At the same time, as a result of lower expenses and higher other income, earnings per share increased 13 percent to \$3.43 on a non-GAAP basis, which excludes adjustments totaling \$1.17 per share. Reported earnings per share were \$2.26. (For information on the items that were adjusted for purposes of non-GAAP financial measures, please see the 2015 Financial Highlights on the inside front cover of the accompanying Financial Report.)

This progress occurred in the face of some serious challenges, including a still-sluggish global economy, a significant slowdown in China, and continued pricing pressures in the United States and other established markets.

In 2015, Lilly achieved significant advances in our pipeline of molecules in clinical development. Highlights include: in diabetes, positive cardiovascular outcomes data for Jardiance[®]; in immunology, four positive Phase III studies on baricitinib and strong Phase III data on ixekizumab; and in oncology, Breakthrough Therapy Designation for olaratumab and abemaciclib, several important business development deals in immuno-oncology, and the approval of Portrazza[™] for the treatment of metastatic squamous non-small cell lung cancer late in the year.

Our strong pipeline portends a lot of good news for patients—the ultimate measure of our success. As of early 2016, we had nine molecules in Phase III testing or regulatory review, including potential medicines that hold the promise of significant advances in the treatment of immunological disorders, Alzheimer's disease, and various pain conditions.

Investors have taken note of how we've performed and how we've kept our promises despite the challenges. Our stock price was up 22 percent for the year, leading to a 25 percent total shareholder return—once again outperforming most of our peers.

The bottom line is pretty simple. We have emerged from the so-called "YZ" years of patent expirations as a better, stronger company. And a very promising future is unfolding by the day!

Looking Ahead to More Growth in 2016

I could not be more excited about what lies ahead in 2016 as we look forward to additional launches and some important pipeline milestones.

While recognizing the challenging environment ahead of us, we continue to believe that Lilly's growth opportunities will depend largely on our own performance. This includes realizing continued strong uptake of Cyramza, Trulicity, and Jardiance, and good launches of Portrazza and the other products, such as ixekizumab, that we hope will emerge from our pipeline in the months ahead.

I'm confident that we've put the necessary investments behind these recent and upcoming launches. At the same time, we will continue to depend on strong sales of Alimta[®], Forteo[®], Cialis[®], and our insulins—despite the necessary shift of some resources to the launch side.

Our Ongoing Commitment to Corporate Responsibility

In 2015, we also demonstrated our dedication to corporate responsibility—a legacy dating back to our founder, Colonel Eli Lilly.

Our greatest contribution to society will always be making medicines that make life better.

Yet we firmly believe that we have a further role to play by collaborating with select partners to address serious health challenges and to enhance access to high-quality care for people around the world. In 2015, we continued support of our two signature global health programs—the Lilly NCD Partnership and the Lilly MDR-TB Partnership—focused on the growing challenge of non-communicable diseases, such as diabetes, and the stubborn scourge of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis. Elanco continued its important work to address the key link between nutrition and health through its partnership with Heifer International and through HATCH[™] for Hunger, a community partnership to provide eggs to undernourished people in the Midwest.

Over the past year, Lilly employees have added to our strong track record of volunteerism to strengthen communities. In the first five years of our Connecting Hearts Abroad program, 1,000 Lilly employees have worked a combined 64,000 hours during two-week assignments in impoverished communities across Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Latin America. In addition, our employees worldwide have volunteered 825,000 hours since 2008 through our annual Global Day of Service. And in 2015, we built on our legacy of support for United Way by initiating a partnership approach that includes pairing Lilly teams with United Way agencies.

Lastly, we continue to demonstrate a firm commitment to operating responsibly in all areas of our business from being recognized year after year around the world as a great place to work, to continually striving to reduce our environmental footprint. This commitment extends to our support for the United Nations Global Compact and its principles related to human rights, labor, the environment, and anti-corruption.

Faithful to Our Mission, Confident in Our Future

Our company has been through some real challenges these past few years. But we confronted them head on, figured out a strategy to handle what we faced, and executed that strategy with grit and determination. We never wavered. And in 2015, we got sure signs that it's working.

As we continue to honor Colonel Lilly's instruction to his son, to "take what you find here and make it better and better," I believe uncertainty will once again give way to confidence in what an enterprise such as ours dedicated for 140 years to making lives better for people all over the world—is able to accomplish.

I am honored to be a part of this work and grateful to you for your support.

For the Board of Directors,

John C. Faibleton

John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D. Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer

"Diversity fosters creativity. Creativity drives innovation. And innovation, ultimately, leads to business success."

- John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D., Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer





Advancing Medical Science

Our greatest contribution to society is making life better by making medicines that help people live longer, healthier, more active lives. Throughout our company's history, we've brought new and better medicines to people who need them—commercializing the first insulin, introducing important classes of antibiotics, revolutionizing the treatment of mental illness, making critical contributions in the treatment of cancer, and more. Today, we remain committed to pursuing medicines for scourges such as diabetes and Alzheimer's disease. All along the way, we advance medical science by learning more about disease pathways and human biology. We're committed to advancing the global body of scientific knowledge, working within a strong framework of bioethics, with a commitment to patient safety and excellence.

Operating Responsibly

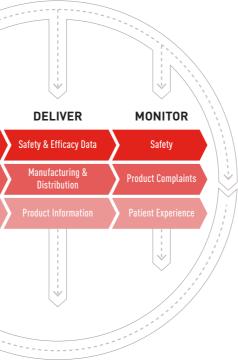
At Lilly, we hold steadfast to our long-standing values of integrity, excellence, and respect for people. We strive to create a culture that fosters engagement and teamwork, rewards diligence and ethical action, and inspires creativity. We're proud to be recognized as a company that works hard to support our employees, both inside and outside of work. We also recognize that how we do business is as important as what we do. We demonstrate our values through responsible business practices that reflect our commitments to strong governance principles. This sharpens our efforts in, and dedication to, promoting ethics and transparency throughout the company, instilling responsible supply chain management, tackling the problem of counterfeit medicines, ensuring the ethical care and use of animals in research, and fostering environmental stewardship.

Improving Global Health

At Lilly, we share the vision of a world where everyone is able to access basic health care. Even as we develop strategies to bring medicines to more people around the world, our signature global health programs—the Lilly NCD Partnership and the Lilly MDR-TB Partnership—are helping to improve health outcomes and expand access to medicines for people in need today. We also help providers, patients, and their families navigate the complexity of healthcare challenges through a variety of offerings, including providing Lilly medicines for people in the United States who otherwise couldn't afford them. And Elanco, our animal health business, is focused on the important link between hunger and human health and is working to break the cycle of hunger in 100 communities around the world by 2020.



QUALITY ACROSS THE MEDICATION LIFE CYCLE



'Take what you find here and make it better and better."

- Colonel Eli Lilly, 1882

This is a snapshot representing key scientific breakthroughs, product launches, and moments of caring throughout Lilly's 140 year history. It is not intended to be a comprehensive account of every innovation or activity.

Strengthening Communities

Our company vision calls on us to give back to the world around us. We give of our financial resources and our time to make a meaningful, measurable, and sustainable difference in the communities where we operate. In the late 1800s, Colonel Lilly took an active leadership role in efforts to improve life in Indianapolis, home to our global headquarters. Ever since, Lilly people have built upon and continued this legacy. You can see this commitment in Lilly's Global Day of Service, which ranks among the largest single-day volunteer events of any global enterprise; in our Connecting Hearts Abroad program, which places Lilly volunteers in communities around the world; and in our ongoing work to empower teachers, inspire students, and advocate to ensure that every student has access to a great education.



100,000 Employees hours volunteered During 2015

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CELEBRATING 140 YEARS OF SERVICE

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FOUNDING

Eli Lilly founded his company on May 10, 1876, in Indianapolis, Indiana. He was among those first in the business to rely on pharmaceutical chemistry. His purpose was to produce quality medicines to be given with a doctor's prescription—a new concept in a time of untested elixirs and potions peddled by questionable characters. More than a century later, Lilly, the company, remains recognized for its guality and values—integrity, excellence, and respect for people.

INSULIN

Our researchers collaborated with Frederick Banting and Charles Best of the University of Toronto to isolate and purify insulin for the treatment of diabetes, a fatal disease with no effective treatment options at the time. In 1923, their work resulted in Lilly's introduction of the world's first commercially available insulin product. Lilly would go on to focus on innovations in diabetes treatment that continue to the present day.

PENICILLIN-G

Lilly was among the first companies to develop a method to mass-produce penicillin, the world's first antibiotic, marking the beginning of a sustained effort to fight infectious diseases. Penicillin was especially critical during World War II in helping to reduce the number of deaths and amputations caused by infected battle wounds. Lilly's antibiotics work would continue in the coming decades, including the launch of a powerful antibiotic that today remains the last line of defense against serious hospital infections.

1923 **ILETIN**[®]

Lilly introduces animal-source insulin, the world's first commercially available insulin product, for the treatment of diabetes.

Lilly sends freight car of emergency Partnering with the American Red Cross, medical supplies to San Francisco Lilly sets up a medical field hospital in France, staffed by Indiana personnel, to following earthquake. treat wounded soldiers of all nationalities during World War I.

Lilly hires first chemist. Ernest Eberhardt.

1880

1900

1910

1920



Lilly family creates the Lilly Endowment, which has given away more than \$8.5 billion to charitable organizations since its founding.

POLIO VACCINE

From 1940 to the mid-1950s, polio struck 400,000 American children and millions more worldwide. In 1954, Lilly was approached by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to produce a vaccine based on Dr. Jonas Salk's method. Ultimately, more than half of all the Salk vaccine used in the United States bore the Lilly label. Today, polio is 99% eradicated around the world, with only three countries reporting instances of the disease.

VANCOCIN®

Lilly introduces vancomycin hydrochloride, an antibiotic for infections associated with certain types of resistant bacteria.

1957

Lilly leaders become co-chair and honorary chair of the first United Fund Drive, an antecedent to the modern-day United Way of Central Indiana.

VELBAN®

Lilly introduces vinblastine sulfate, the company's first oncology drug, for treatment of several types of cancer.

PROZAC®

With the introduction of Prozac in the United States, Lilly launched the first in a new class of drugs used to treat clinical depression. Called selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors, or SSRIs, the medicines are thought to affect the way that serotonin acts—and neural pathways operate—inside the brain.

CECLOR[®]

Lilly introduces cefaclor, a member of the cephalosporin family, which eventually becomes the world's top-selling oral antibiotic.

HUMULIN®

insulin (rDNA origin), insulin identical to that produced by the human body, and the world's first human healthcare product created using recombinant DNA technology.

1930

Lilly establishes first

distribution branch

States, in Shanghai.

outside of the United

1928

1940

1950

1960

1970

1980



1996 ZYPREXA

Lilly introduces human Lilly introduces olanzapine for the treatment of schizophrenia.

GEMZAR[®]

Lilly introduces gemcitabine hydrochloride, a drug for the treatment of pancreatic and non-small cell lung cancer.



FUTURE

ONCOLOGY

We are committed to developing a broad portfolio of therapies, including those tailored to patients, and meaning- offering a comprehensive and ful support solutions that accelerate complementary portfolio of medicines. the pace and progress of cancer care.

PAIN

It is estimated that nearly one in five adults suffers from chronic pain. Lilly is developing molecules to treat cluster headaches, migraines, and chronic pain caused by osteoarthritis and cancer.

NEURODEGENERATION

Neurodegeneration is a key therapeutic area for Lilly, given our strong legacy and expertise in neuroscience. Our discovery efforts are focused on the areas of Alzheimer's disease, dementia, and schizophrenia.

2003

Launch of the Lillv MDR-TB Partnership. providing critically needed medicines for multidrug-resistant tuberculosis.

DIABETES

Lilly is committed to meeting the needs of people with diabetes by We help people with diabetes achieve their treatment goals.

IMMUNOLOGY

Significant unmet medical need exists for many prevalent immunologic and autoimmune diseases, such as rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, and lupus. Several molecules in our pipeline explore how to address these diseases.

Lilly launches Connecting Hearts Abroad, an employee volunteer program that sends dozens of employees annually to countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

2010

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2015 Financial Highlights

	Year Ended December 31			
ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions, except per-share data)	2015	2014	Change %	
Revenue	\$19,958.7	\$19,615.6	2	
Research and development	4,796.4	4,733.6	1	
Research and development as a percent of revenue	24.0%	24.1%		
Net income	\$2,408.4	\$2,390.5	1	
Earnings per share—diluted	2.26	2.23	1	
Reconciling items ¹ :				
Novartis Animal Health 2014 results	_	(0.07)		
Novartis Animal Health inventory step-up	0.10	_		
Amortization of intangible assets	0.39	0.32		
U.S. Branded Prescription Drug Fee	—	0.11		
Acquired in-process research and development (IPR&D)	0.33	0.12		
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges	0.25	0.38		
Net charge related to repurchase of debt	0.09	_		
Income related to the transfer to Boehringer Ingelheim of rights to co-promote linagliptin and empagliflozin in certain countries	—	(0.06)		
Non-GAAP earnings per share—diluted ²	3.43	3.03	13	
Dividends paid per share	2.00	1.96		
Capital expenditures	1,066.2	1,162.6	(8)	
Employees ³	41,275	39,135	5	

¹ For more information on these reconciling items, with the exception of the Novartis Animal Health 2014 results, see the Financial Results section of the Executive Overview on page F23 of the Financial Report. For more information on the Novartis Animal Health 2014 results reconciling item, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements.

² Numbers may not add due to rounding.

³ The 2015 employment total reflects additions from the acquisition of Novartis Animal Health on January 1, 2015.



Revenue in Endocrinology increased 1 percent driven by growth of Trulicity, Humalog, and Jardiance. Revenue in Neuroscience decreased 18 percent due to the loss of Cymbalta patent protection in the U.S. in December 2013. Animal Health grew 36 percent, reflecting the acquisition of Novartis Animal Health in the first quarter of 2015.





ROE increased in 2015 as a result of a decrease in shareholders' equity driven by the strengthening of the US dollar against other currencies compared to prior year. Net income remained flat, driven by strong operating performance, offset by the impact of foreign exchange rates.



Over the past five years, Lilly's annualized total shareholder return has averaged 24 percent, compared to 13 percent for the S&P benchmark, due to the increase in the stock price and steady dividend stream.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act). Forward-looking statements include all statements that do not relate solely to historical or current facts, and can generally be identified by the use of words such as "may," "believe," "will," "expect," "project," "estimate," "intend," "anticipate," "plan," "continue," or similar expressions.

In particular, information appearing under "Business," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" includes forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements inherently involve many risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in these statements. Where, in any forward-looking statement, we express an expectation or belief as to future results or events, it is based on management's current plans and expectations, expressed in good faith and believed to have a reasonable basis. However, we can give no assurance that any such expectation or belief will result or will be achieved or accomplished. The following include some but not all of the factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated:

- the timing of anticipated regulatory approvals and launches of new products;
- market uptake of recently launched products;
- competitive developments affecting current products;
- the expiration of intellectual property protection for certain of our products;
- our ability to protect and enforce patents and other intellectual property;
- the impact of actions of governmental and private payers affecting pricing of, reimbursement for, and access to pharmaceuticals;
- regulatory compliance problems or government investigations;
- · regulatory actions regarding currently marketed products;
- · unexpected safety or efficacy concerns associated with our products;
- issues with product supply stemming from manufacturing difficulties or disruptions;
- · regulatory changes or other developments;
- · changes in patent law or regulations related to data-package exclusivity;
- litigation involving past, current or future products as we are largely self-insured;
- unauthorized disclosure or misappropriation of trade secrets or other confidential data stored in our information systems, networks, and facilities, or those of third parties with whom we share our data;
- changes in tax law;
- changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, and inflation;
- · asset impairments and restructuring charges;
- changes in accounting standards promulgated by the Financial Accounting Standards Board and the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- acquisitions and business development transactions and related integration costs;
- information technology system inadequacies or operating failures;
- reliance on third-party relationships and outsourcing arrangements; and
- the impact of global macroeconomic conditions.

Investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. You should carefully read the factors described in the "Risk Factors" section of this Annual Report for a description of certain risks that could, among other things, cause our actual results to differ from these forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report and are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included in this report. Except as is required by law, we expressly disclaim any obligation to publicly release any revisions to forward-looking statements to reflect events after the date of this report.

Business

Eli Lilly and Company (the "company" or "registrant" or "Lilly") was incorporated in 1901 in Indiana to succeed to the drug manufacturing business founded in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1876 by Colonel Eli Lilly. We discover, develop, manufacture, and market products in two business segments—human pharmaceutical products and animal health products.

The mission of our human pharmaceutical business is to make medicines that help people live longer, healthier, more active lives. Our vision is to make a significant contribution to humanity by improving global health in the 21st century. Most of the products we sell today were discovered or developed by our own scientists, and our success depends to a great extent on our ability to continue to discover, develop, and bring to market innovative new medicines.

Our animal health business, operating through our Elanco division, develops, manufactures, and markets products for both food animals and companion animals. Elanco food animal products help the food industry produce an abundant supply of safe, nutritious and affordable food. Elanco companion animal products help pets live longer, healthier, happier lives.

We manufacture and distribute our products through facilities in the United States (U.S.), Puerto Rico, and 14 other countries. Our products are sold in approximately 125 countries.

Human Pharmaceutical Products

Our human pharmaceutical products include:

Endocrinology products, including:

- Humalog[®], Humalog Mix 75/25[™], and Humalog Mix 50/50[™], insulin analogs for the treatment of diabetes
- *Humulin[®],* human insulin of recombinant DNA origin for the treatment of diabetes
- Trajenta[®], for the treatment of type 2 diabetes
- Jentadueto[®], a combination tablet of linagliptin (Trajenta) and metformin hydrochloride for use in the treatment of type 2 diabetes
- Jardiance[®], for the treatment of type 2 diabetes (approved in the U.S., Europe, and Japan in 2014)
- *Trulicity*[®], for the treatment of type 2 diabetes (approved in the U.S. and Europe in 2014 and Japan in 2015)
- *Glyxambl*[®], a combination tablet of linagliptin and empagliflozin (Jardiance) for the treatment of type 2 diabetes (approved in the U.S. in 2015)
- *Synjardy*[®], a combination tablet of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride for the treatment of type 2 diabetes (approved in the U.S. and Europe in 2015)
- Basaglar[®] (insulin glargine injection), a long-acting human insulin analog for the treatment of diabetes (launched in Japan in 2015 and in Europe in 2015 under the trade name Abasaglar[®]). Basaglar was also approved in the U.S. in 2015; under an agreement settling patent litigation with Sanofi-Aventis U.S. LLC (Sanofi) regarding Sanofi's insulin glargine product, we will have the ability to launch Basaglar in the U.S. on December 15, 2016. Under the terms of the agreement, Sanofi has granted us a royalty-bearing license so we can manufacture and sell Basaglar in the Kwikpen[™] device globally.
- *Forteo[®]*, for the treatment of osteoporosis in postmenopausal women and men at high risk for fracture and for glucocorticoid-induced osteoporosis in men and postmenopausal women
- *Evista[®]*, for the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis in postmenopausal women and for the reduction of the risk of invasive breast cancer in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis and postmenopausal women at high risk for invasive breast cancer

- Humatrope[®], for the treatment of human growth hormone deficiency and certain pediatric growth conditions
- *Axiron*[®], a topical solution of testosterone, applied by underarm applicator, for replacement therapy in men for certain conditions associated with a deficiency or absence of testosterone

Neuroscience products, including:

- *Cymbalta*[®], for the treatment of major depressive disorder, diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain, generalized anxiety disorder, fibromyalgia, and chronic musculoskeletal pain due to chronic low back pain or chronic pain due to osteoarthritis
- *Zyprexa[®]*, for the treatment of schizophrenia, acute mixed or manic episodes associated with bipolar I disorder, and bipolar maintenance
- Strattera[®], for the treatment of attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder
- *Prozac*[®], for the treatment of major depressive disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, bulimia nervosa, and panic disorder
- *Amyvid*[®], a radioactive diagnostic agent for positron emission tomography imaging of beta-amyloid neuritic plaques in the brains of adult patients with cognitive impairment who are being evaluated for Alzheimer's disease and other causes of cognitive decline

Oncology products, including:

- Alimta[®], for the first-line treatment, in combination with another agent, of advanced non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) for patients with non-squamous cell histology; for the second-line treatment of advanced non-squamous NSCLC; as monotherapy for the maintenance treatment of advanced nonsquamous NSCLC in patients whose disease has not progressed immediately following chemotherapy treatment; and in combination with another agent, for the treatment of malignant pleural mesothelioma
- *Erbitux*[®], indicated both as a single agent and with another chemotherapy agent for the treatment of certain types of colorectal cancers; and as a single agent, in combination with chemotherapy, or in combination with radiation therapy for the treatment of certain types of head and neck cancers
- Cyramza[®], for the treatment of various cancers, with approvals as follows:
 - approved in 2014 in the U.S. and the European Union (EU), and in Japan in 2015, both as a single agent and in combination with another agent as a second-line treatment of advanced or metastatic gastric cancer
 - approved in 2014 in the U.S., and in the EU in 2016, in combination with another agent as a second-line treatment of metastatic NSCLC
 - approved in 2015 in the U.S., and in the EU in 2016, as a second-line treatment of metastatic colorectal cancer
- *Gemzar[®]*, for the treatment of pancreatic cancer; in combination with other agents, for the treatment of metastatic breast cancer, NSCLC, and advanced or recurrent ovarian cancer; and in the EU for the treatment of bladder cancer
- *Portrazza*[™], approved in 2015 in the U.S. for use in combination with other agents as a first-line treatment of metastatic squamous NSCLC, and approved in 2016 in the EU for use in combination with other agents as a first-line treatment for epidermal growth factor receptor expressing squamous NSCLC

Cardiovascular products, including:

• *Cialis[®],* for the treatment of erectile dysfunction and benign prostatic hyperplasia

- *Effient*[®], for the reduction of thrombotic cardiovascular events (including stent thrombosis) in patients with acute coronary syndrome who are managed with an artery-opening procedure known as percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), including patients undergoing angioplasty, atherectomy, or stent placement
- *ReoPro[®],* for use as an adjunct to PCI for the prevention of cardiac ischemic complications

Animal Health Products

Our products for food animals include:

- *Rumensin[®]*, a cattle feed additive that improves feed efficiency and growth and also controls and prevents coccidiosis
- *Posilac*[®], a protein supplement to improve milk productivity in dairy cows
- Paylean[®] and Optaflexx[®], leanness and performance enhancers for swine and cattle, respectively
- *Tylan[®]*, an antibiotic used to control certain diseases in cattle, swine, and poultry
- Micotil[®], Pulmotil[®], and Pulmotil AC[®], antibiotics used to treat respiratory disease in cattle, swine, and poultry, respectively
- Coban[®], Monteban[®], and Maxiban[®], anticoccidial agents for use in poultry
- Surmax[®] (sold as Maxus[®] in some countries), a performance enhancer for swine and poultry
- *Imrestor*[™], a biopharmaceutical that restores neutrophil function in peri-parturient dairy cows

Our products for companion animals include:

- *Trifexis[®]*, a monthly chewable tablet for dogs that kills fleas, prevents flea infestations, prevents heartworm disease, and controls intestinal parasite infections
- Comfortis®, a chewable tablet that kills fleas and prevents flea infestations on dogs
- Onsior[®], a non-steroidal short-term pain reliever for cats administered orally or by injection
- *Interceptor Plus*[®], a canine heartworm drug that fights tapeworms in addition to hookworms, roundworms, and whipworms
- Osurnia[®], a gel formulation treatment for canine ear canal infection or inflammation

On January 1, 2015, we completed our acquisition of Novartis Animal Health (Novartis AH) in an all-cash transaction for \$5.28 billion. Novartis AH operates in approximately 40 countries. The combined organization has added several hundred products to our animal health product portfolio, expanded our global commercial presence, and augmented our animal health manufacturing and research and development. In particular, it has provided Elanco with a greater commercial presence in the companion animal and swine markets, expanded Elanco's presence in equine and vaccines areas, and created an entry into the aquaculture market. Acquired Novartis AH products include:

- Denagard[®], an antibiotic for the control and treatment of respiratory and enteric diseases in swine and poultry
- *Milbemax*[™], a broad-spectrum intestinal wormer which, if given monthly, also offers prevention against heartworm
- Sentinel[®] (outside the U.S.), a monthly tablet for the prevention of flea populations, the concurrent prevention of heartworm disease and the treatment of roundworms, hookworms, and whipworms in dogs
- Atopica[®], for the treatment of chronic manifestations of atopic dermatitis in dogs and for the symptomatic treatment of chronic allergic dermatitis in cats
- *Fortekor[®]*, for the treatment of congestive heart failure in dogs and reduction of proteinurea associated with chronic kidney disease in cats

Marketing

We sell most of our products worldwide. We adapt our marketing methods and product emphasis in various countries to meet local customer needs.

Human Pharmaceuticals—United States

In the U.S., we distribute human pharmaceutical products principally through independent wholesale distributors, with some sales directly to pharmacies. In 2015, 2014, and 2013, three wholesale distributors in the U.S.—AmerisourceBergen Corporation, McKesson Corporation, and Cardinal Health, Inc.—each accounted for between 8 percent and 19 percent of our consolidated total revenue. No other distributor accounted for more than 10 percent of consolidated total revenue in any of those years.

We promote our major human pharmaceutical products in the U.S. through sales representatives who call upon physicians and other health care professionals. We advertise in medical journals, distribute literature and samples of certain products to physicians, and exhibit at medical meetings. In addition, we advertise certain products directly to consumers in the U.S., and we maintain websites with information about our major products. We supplement our employee sales force with contract sales organizations as appropriate to leverage our own resources and the strengths of our partners in various markets.

We maintain special business groups to service wholesalers, pharmacy benefit managers, managed care organizations, government and long-term care institutions, hospitals, and certain retail pharmacies. We enter into arrangements with these organizations providing for discounts or rebates on our products.

Human Pharmaceuticals—Outside the United States

Outside the U.S, we promote our human pharmaceutical products primarily through sales representatives. While the products marketed vary from country to country, endocrinology products constitute the largest single group in total revenue. Distribution patterns vary from country to country. In most countries in which we operate, we maintain our own sales organizations, but in some smaller countries we market our products through independent distributors.

Human Pharmaceutical Marketing Collaborations

Certain of our human pharmaceutical products are marketed in arrangements with other pharmaceutical companies, including the following:

- We and Boehringer Ingelheim have a diabetes alliance under which we jointly develop and commercialize Trajenta, Jentadueto, Jardiance, Glyxambi, Synjardy, and Basaglar in major markets.
- We co-promote Cymbalta in Japan with Shionogi & Co. Ltd.
- Through September 30, 2015, Erbitux was marketed in the U.S. and Canada by Bristol-Myers Squibb (BMS). Effective October 1, 2015, BMS transferred to us all commercialization rights for Erbitux in those two countries. Outside the U.S. and Canada, Erbitux is commercialized by Merck KGaA, and we receive royalties from Merck KGaA.
- Effient is co-promoted with us by Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd. (Daiichi Sankyo) in the U.S., Brazil, Mexico, and certain other countries. Through the end of 2015, we also co-promoted Effient with Daiichi Sankyo in major European markets. Effective January 2016, Daiichi Sankyo is exclusively promoting Effient in major European markets; however, the economic results for these countries will continue to be shared in the same proportion as under the previous arrangement. We retain sole marketing rights in Canada, Australia, Russia, and certain other countries. Daiichi Sankyo retains sole marketing rights in Japan and certain other countries.

For additional information, see "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 4, Collaborations and Other Arrangements."

Animal Health Products

Our Elanco animal health business unit employs field salespeople throughout the U.S. and has an extensive sales force outside the U.S. Elanco sells its products primarily to wholesale distributors. Elanco promotes its products primarily to producers and veterinarians for food animal products and to veterinarians for companion animal products. Elanco also advertises certain companion animal products directly to pet owners in markets where it is consistent with allowable promotional practices.

Competition

Our human pharmaceutical products compete globally with products of many other companies in highly competitive markets. Our animal health products compete globally with products of animal health care companies as well as pharmaceutical, chemical, and other companies that operate animal health businesses.

Important competitive factors for both human pharmaceutical and animal health products include effectiveness, safety, and ease of use; price and demonstrated cost-effectiveness; marketing effectiveness; and research and development of new products, processes, and uses. Most new products that we introduce must compete with other branded or generic products already on the market or products that are later developed by competitors. If competitors introduce new products or delivery systems with therapeutic or cost advantages, our products can be subject to decreased sales, progressive price reductions, or both.

We believe our long-term competitive success depends upon discovering and developing (either alone or in collaboration with others) or acquiring innovative, cost-effective human pharmaceutical and animal health products that provide improved outcomes and deliver value to payers, and continuously improving the productivity of our operations in a highly competitive environment. There can be no assurance that our research and development efforts will result in commercially successful products, and it is possible that our products will become uncompetitive from time to time as a result of products developed by our competitors.

Generic Pharmaceuticals

One of the biggest competitive challenges we face is from generic pharmaceuticals. In the U.S. and the EU, the regulatory approval process for human pharmaceuticals (other than biological products (biologics)) exempts generics from costly and time-consuming clinical trials to demonstrate their safety and efficacy, allowing generic manufacturers to rely on the safety and efficacy of the innovator product. Therefore, generic manufacturers generally invest far less than we do in research and development and can price their products much lower than our branded products. Accordingly, when a branded non-biologic human pharmaceutical loses its market exclusivity, it normally faces intense price competition from generic forms of the product. Public and private payers typically encourage the use of generics as alternatives to brand-name drugs in their healthcare programs. Laws in the U.S. generally allow, and in many cases require, pharmacists to substitute generic drugs that have been rated under government procedures to be essentially equivalent to a brand-name drug. Where substitution is mandatory, it must be made unless the prescribing physician expressly forbids it. In many countries outside the U.S., intellectual property protection is weak, and we must compete with generic or counterfeit versions of our products. Many of our animal health products also compete with generics.

Biosimilars

Several of our current products, including Cyramza, Erbitux, Trulicity, and Portrazza, and many of the new molecular entities (NMEs) in our research pipeline are biologics. Competition for Lilly's biologics may be affected by the approval of follow-on biologics, also known as biosimilars. A biosimilar is a subsequent version of an an approved innovator biologic that, due to its physical/structural similarity to the original product, is approved based on an abbreviated data package that relies in part on the full testing required of the originator product. Globally, governments have or are developing regulatory pathways to approve biosimilars as alternatives to innovator-developed biologics, but the patent for the existing, branded product must expire in a given market before biosimilars may enter that market. The extent to which a biosimilar, once approved, will be substituted for the innovator biologic in a way that is similar to traditional generic substitution for non-biologic products, is not yet entirely clear, and will depend on a number of regulatory and marketplace factors that are still developing.

Biosimilars may present both competitive challenges and opportunities. For example, with our partner Boehringer Ingelheim we have developed Basaglar, a new insulin glargine product which has the same amino acid sequence as the product currently marketed by a competitor. Our product has launched in the EU and Japan, and can be launched in the U.S. on December 15, 2016.

U.S. Private Sector Payer Consolidation

In the U.S. private sector, consolidation and integration among healthcare providers is also a major factor in the competitive marketplace for human pharmaceuticals. Health plans and pharmaceutical benefit managers have been consolidating into fewer, larger entities, thus enhancing their purchasing strength and importance.

Payers typically maintain formularies which specify coverage (the conditions under which drugs are included on a plan's formulary) and reimbursement (the associated out-of-pocket cost to the consumer). Formulary placement can lead to reduced usage of a drug for the relevant patient population due to coverage restrictions, such as prior authorizations and formulary exclusions, or due to reimbursement limitations which result in higher consumer out-of-pocket cost, such as non-preferred co-pay tiers, increased co-insurance levels, and higher deductibles. Consequently, pharmaceutical companies compete for formulary placement not only on the basis of product attributes such as efficacy, safety profile, or patient ease of use, but also by providing rebates. Price is an increasingly important factor in formulary decisions, particularly in treatment areas in which the payer has taken the position that multiple branded products are therapeutically comparable. These downward pricing pressures could negatively affect our future consolidated results of operations.

Patents, Trademarks, and Other Intellectual Property Rights

Overview

Intellectual property protection is critical to our ability to successfully commercialize our life sciences innovations and invest in the search for new medicines. We own, have applied for, or are licensed under, a large number of patents in the U.S. and many other countries relating to products, product uses, formulations, and manufacturing processes. In addition, as discussed below, for some products we have additional effective intellectual property protection in the form of data protection under pharmaceutical regulatory laws.

The patent protection anticipated to be of most relevance to human pharmaceuticals is provided by national patents claiming the active ingredient (the compound patent), particularly those in major markets such as the U.S., various European countries, and Japan. These patents may be issued based upon the filing of international patent applications, usually filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT). Patent applications covering the compounds are generally filed during the Discovery Research Phase of the drug discovery process, which is described in the "Research and Development" section below. In general, national patents in each relevant country are available for a period of 20 years from the filing date of the PCT application, which is often years prior to the launch of a commercial product. Further patent term adjustments and restorations may extend the original patent term:

- Patent term adjustment is a statutory right available to all U.S. patent applicants to provide relief in the event that a patent is delayed during examination by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).
- Patent term restoration is a statutory right provided to U.S. patents that claim inventions subject to
 review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). A single patent for a human pharmaceutical
 product may be eligible for patent term restoration to make up for a portion of the time invested in
 clinical trials and the FDA review process. Patent term restoration is limited by a formula and cannot
 be calculated until product approval due to uncertainty about the duration of clinical trials and the time
 it takes the FDA to review an application. There is a five-year cap on any restoration, and no patent
 may be extended for more than 14 years beyond FDA approval. Some countries outside the U.S. also
 offer forms of patent term restoration. For example, Supplementary Protection Certificates are
 sometimes available to extend the life of a European patent up to an additional five years. Similarly, in
 Japan, Korea, and Australia, patent terms can be extended up to five years, depending on the length
 of regulatory review and other factors.

Loss of effective patent protection for human pharmaceuticals typically results in the loss of effective market exclusivity for the product, which can result in severe and rapid decline in sales of the product. However, in

some cases the innovator company may be protected from approval of generic or other follow-on versions of a new medicine beyond the expiration of the compound patent through manufacturing trade secrets, later-expiring patents on methods of use or formulations, or data protection that may be available under pharmaceutical regulatory laws. The primary forms of data protection are as follows:

- Regulatory authorities in major markets generally grant data package protection for a period of years following new drug approvals in recognition of the substantial investment required to complete clinical trials. Data package protection prohibits other manufacturers from submitting regulatory applications for marketing approval based on the innovator company's regulatory submission data for the drug. The base period of data package protection depends on the country. For example, the period is five years in the U.S. (12 years for new biologics as described below), 10 years in the EU, and eight years in Japan. The period begins on the date of product approval and runs concurrently with the patent term for any relevant patent.
- Under the Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act of 2010, the FDA has the authority to approve biosimilars. A competitor seeking approval of a biosimilar must file an application to show its molecule is highly similar to an approved innovator biologic and include a certain amount of safety and efficacy data which the FDA will determine on a case-by-case basis. Under the data protection provisions of this law, the FDA cannot approve a biosimilar application until 12 years after initial marketing approval of the innovator biologic, subject to certain conditions.
- In the U.S., the FDA has the authority to grant additional data protection for approved drugs where the sponsor conducts specified testing in pediatric or adolescent populations. If granted, this "pediatric exclusivity" provides an additional six months, which are added to the term of data protection as well as to the term of any relevant patents, to the extent these protections have not already expired.
- Under the U.S. orphan drug law, a specific use of a drug or biological product can receive "orphan" designation if it is intended to treat a disease or condition affecting fewer than 200,000 people in the U.S., or affecting more than 200,000 people but not reasonably expected to recover its development and marketing costs through U.S. sales. Among other benefits, orphan designation entitles the particular use of the drug to seven years of market exclusivity, meaning that the FDA cannot (with limited exceptions) approve another marketing application for the same drug for the same indication until expiration of the seven-year period. Unlike pediatric exclusivity, the orphan exclusivity period is independent of and runs in parallel with any applicable patents.

Outside the major markets, the adequacy and effectiveness of intellectual property protection for human pharmaceuticals varies widely. Under the Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Agreement (TRIPs) administered by the World Trade Organization, more than 140 countries have agreed to provide non-discriminatory protection for most pharmaceutical inventions and to assure that adequate and effective rights are available to patent owners. Implementation of this agreement differs between developed and developing countries, with many developing countries limiting protection for biopharmaceutical products under their interpretation of "flexibilities" allowed under the agreement. Thus, certain types of patents, such as those on new uses of compounds or new forms of molecules, are not available in many developing countries. Further, many developing countries do not provide effective data package protection even though it is specified in TRIPs.

Certain of our Elanco animal health products are covered by patents or other forms of intellectual property protection. Historically, upon loss of effective market exclusivity for our animal health products, we have not generally experienced the rapid and severe declines in revenues that are common in the human pharmaceutical segment.

There is no assurance that the patents we are seeking will be granted or that the patents we hold will be found valid and enforceable if challenged. Moreover, patents relating to particular products, uses, formulations, or processes do not preclude other manufacturers from employing alternative processes or marketing alternative products or formulations that compete with our patented products. In addition, competitors or other third parties may assert claims that our activities infringe patents or other intellectual property rights held by them, or allege a third-party right of ownership in our existing intellectual property.

Our Intellectual Property Portfolio

We consider intellectual property protection for certain products, processes, uses, and formulations particularly with respect to those products discussed below—to be important to our operations. For many of our products, in addition to the compound patent, we hold other patents on manufacturing processes, formulations, or uses that may extend exclusivity beyond the expiration of the compound patent.

The most relevant U.S. patent protection or data protection for our top-selling or recently launched patentprotected marketed products is as follows:

- Alimta is protected by a compound patent (July 2016) plus pediatric exclusivity (January 2017), and a vitamin regimen patent (2021) plus pediatric exclusivity (2022).
- Cialis is protected by compound and use patents (November 2017).
- Cyramza is protected by biologics data package protection (2026).
- Effient is protected by a compound patent (April 2017) and patents covering methods of using Effient with aspirin (2023).
- Forteo is protected by patents primarily covering its formulation and related processes (2018) and use patents (2019).
- Jardiance, and the related combination products Glyxambi and Synjardy, are protected by a compound patent (2025 not including possible patent extension).
- Portrazza is protected by a compound patent (2025 not including possible patent extension), and by biologics data package protection (2027).
- Strattera is protected by a patent covering its use in treating attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder (2016) plus pediatric exclusivity (May 2017).
- Trajenta and Jentadueto are protected by a compound patent (2023), and Boehringer Ingelheim has applied for a patent extension to 2025 under the patent restoration laws.
- Trulicity is protected by a compound patent (2024 not including possible patent extension) and by biologics data package protection (2026).

Outside the U.S., important patent protection or data protection includes:

- Alimta in major European countries (compound patent December 2015, vitamin regimen patent 2021) and Japan (compound patent December 2015, patents covering use to treat cancer concomitantly with vitamins 2021)
- Cialis in major European countries (compound patent November 2017)
- Cymbalta in Japan (data package protection 2018). In major European countries, our Cymbalta data
 package protection expired in 2014, and we experienced the entry of generic competitors in 2015 in
 these markets.
- Forteo in Japan (data package protection 2018; patent covering its formulation and related process 2019).
- Zyprexa in Japan (patent for schizophrenia expired December 2015; patent for bipolar mania will expire April 2016).

U.S. patent protection or data protection for our new molecular entities that have been submitted for regulatory review is as follows (additional information about these molecules is provided in "Management's Discussion and Analysis—Late-Stage Pipeline"):

- Ixekizumab compound patent 2026 (not including possible patent extension); biologics data package protection for 12 years after approval
- Baricitinib compound patent 2030 (not including possible patent extension)

Worldwide, we sell all of our major products under trademarks that we consider in the aggregate to be important to our operations. Trademark protection varies throughout the world, with protection continuing in

some countries as long as the mark is used, and in other countries as long as it is registered. Registrations are normally for fixed but renewable terms.

Patent Licenses

Most of our major products were discovered in our own laboratories and are not subject to significant license agreements. Two of our largest products, Cialis and Alimta, are subject to patent assignments or licenses granted to us by others.

- The compound patent for Cialis is the subject of a license agreement with GlaxoSmithKline (Glaxo), which assigns to us exclusively all rights in the compound. The agreement calls for royalties of a single-digit percentage of net sales. The agreement is not subject to termination by Glaxo for any reason other than a material breach by Lilly of the royalty obligation, after a substantial cure period.
- The compound patent for Alimta is the subject of a license agreement with Princeton University, granting us an irrevocable exclusive worldwide license to the compound patents for the lives of the patents in the respective territories. The agreement calls for royalties of a single-digit percentage of net sales. The agreement is not subject to termination by Princeton for any reason other than a material breach by Lilly of the royalty obligation, after a substantial cure period. Alimta is also the subject of a worldwide, nonexclusive license to certain patents owned by Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited. The agreement calls for royalties of a single-digit percentage of net sales in countries covered by a relevant patent. The agreement is subject to termination for material default and failure to cure by Lilly and in the event that Lilly becomes bankrupt or insolvent.

Patent Challenges

In the U.S., the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984, commonly known as the Hatch-Waxman Act, made a complex set of changes to both patent and new-drug-approval laws for human pharmaceuticals. Before the Hatch-Waxman Act, no drug could be approved without providing the FDA complete safety and efficacy studies, i.e., a complete New Drug Application (NDA). The Hatch-Waxman Act authorizes the FDA to approve generic versions of innovative human pharmaceuticals (other than biologics) without such information by filing an Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA). In an ANDA, the generic manufacturer must demonstrate only "bioequivalence" between the generic version and the NDA-approved drug—not safety and efficacy.

Absent a patent challenge, the FDA cannot approve an ANDA until after the innovator's patents expire. However, after the innovator has marketed its product for four years, a generic manufacturer may file an ANDA alleging that one or more of the patents listed in the innovator's NDA are invalid or not infringed. This allegation is commonly known as a "Paragraph IV certification." The innovator must then file suit against the generic manufacturer to protect its patents. The FDA is then prohibited from approving the generic company's application for a 30- to 42-month period (which can be shortened or extended by the trial court judge hearing the patent challenge). If one or more of the NDA-listed patents are challenged, the first filer(s) of a Paragraph IV certification may be entitled to a 180-day period of market exclusivity over all other generic manufacturers.

Generic manufacturers use Paragraph IV certifications extensively to challenge patents on innovative human pharmaceuticals. In addition, generic companies have shown an increasing willingness to launch "at risk," i.e., after receiving ANDA approval but before final resolution of their patent challenge. We are currently in litigation with numerous generic manufacturers in Hatch-Waxman litigation involving Alimta and Effient, among other products. For more information on Hatch-Waxman litigation involving the company, see "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 15, Contingencies."

The passage of the America Invents Act in 2011 added a new procedure to U.S. patent law. This procedure, *inter partes* review (IPR), allows any member of the public to file a petition with the USPTO seeking the review of any issued U.S. patent. IPRs are conducted before Administrative Patent Judges in the USPTO using a lower standard of proof than used in Federal District Court. In addition, the challenged patents are not accorded the presumption of validity as they are in Federal District Court. We are now seeing instances where generic drug companies and some investment funds are attempting to invalidate our patents by filing IPR challenges in the USPTO. For more information, see "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 15, Contingencies."

Outside the U.S., the legal doctrines and processes by which pharmaceutical patents can be challenged vary widely. In recent years, we have experienced an increase in patent challenges from generic manufacturers in many countries outside the U.S., and we expect this trend to continue. For more information on administrative challenges and litigation involving our Alimta patents in Europe and Japan, see "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 15, Contingencies."

Government Regulation

Regulation of Our Operations

Our operations are regulated extensively by numerous national, state, and local agencies. The lengthy process of laboratory and clinical testing, data analysis, manufacturing development, and regulatory review necessary for governmental approvals is extremely costly and can significantly delay product introductions. Promotion, marketing, manufacturing, and distribution of human pharmaceutical and animal health products are extensively regulated in all major world markets. We conduct extensive post-marketing surveillance of the safety of the products we sell. In addition, our operations are subject to complex federal, state, local, and foreign laws and regulations concerning the environment, occupational health and safety, and privacy. Animal health product regulations address the administration of the product in or on the animal, and in the case of food animal products, the impact on humans who consume the food as well as the impact on the environment at the production site. The laws and regulations affecting the manufacture and sale of current products and the discovery, development, and introduction of new products will continue to require substantial effort, expense, and capital investment.

Of particular importance is the FDA in the U.S. Pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the FDA has jurisdiction over all of our human pharmaceutical products and certain animal health products in the U.S. and administers requirements covering the testing, safety, effectiveness, manufacturing, quality control, distribution, labeling, marketing, advertising, dissemination of information, and post-marketing surveillance of those products. The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency also regulate some animal health products.

The FDA extensively regulates all aspects of manufacturing quality for human pharmaceuticals under its current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) regulations. Outside the U.S., our products and operations are subject to similar regulatory requirements, notably by the European Medicines Agency in the EU and the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare in Japan. Specific regulatory requirements vary from country to country. We make substantial investments of capital and operating expenses to implement comprehensive, company-wide quality systems in our manufacturing, product development, and process development operations to ensure sustained compliance with cGMP and similar regulations. However, in the event we fail to adhere to these requirements in the future, we could be subject to interruptions in production, fines and penalties, and delays in new product approvals. Certain of our products are manufactured by third parties, and their failure to comply with these regulations could adversely affect us through failure to supply product to us or delays in new product approvals.

The marketing, promotional, and pricing practices of human pharmaceutical manufacturers, as well as the manner in which manufacturers interact with purchasers and prescribers, are subject to various other U.S. federal and state laws, including the federal anti-kickback statute and the False Claims Act and state laws governing kickbacks, false claims, unfair trade practices, and consumer protection. These laws are administered by, among others, the Department of Justice (DOJ), the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Federal Trade Commission, the Office of Personnel Management, and state attorneys general. Over the past several years, the FDA, the DOJ, and many of these other agencies have increased their enforcement activities with respect to pharmaceutical companies and increased the inter-agency coordination of enforcement activities. Several claims brought by these agencies against Lilly and other companies under these and other laws have resulted in corporate criminal sanctions and very substantial civil settlements.

The U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) prohibits certain individuals and entities, including U.S. publicly traded companies, from promising, offering, or giving anything of value to foreign officials with the corrupt intent of influencing the foreign official for the purpose of helping the company obtain or retain business or gain any improper advantage. The FCPA also imposes specific recordkeeping and internal controls requirements on U.S. publicly traded companies. As noted above, outside the U.S., our business is

heavily regulated and therefore involves significant interaction with foreign officials. Additionally, in many countries outside the U.S., the health care providers who prescribe human pharmaceuticals are employed by the government and the purchasers of human pharmaceuticals are government entities; therefore, our interactions with these prescribers and purchasers are subject to regulation under the FCPA.

In addition to the U.S. application and enforcement of the FCPA, the various jurisdictions in which we operate and supply our products have laws and regulations aimed at preventing and penalizing corrupt and anticompetitive behavior. In recent years, several jurisdictions, including China, Brazil, and the United Kingdom (U.K.), have enhanced their laws and regulations in this area, increased their enforcement activities, and/or increased the level of cross-border coordination and information sharing.

It is possible that we could become subject to additional administrative and legal proceedings and actions, which could include claims for civil penalties (including treble damages under the False Claims Act), criminal sanctions, and administrative remedies, including exclusion from U.S. federal and other health care programs. It is possible that an adverse outcome in future actions could have a material adverse impact on our consolidated results of operations, liquidity, and financial position.

Regulations Affecting Human Pharmaceutical Pricing, Reimbursement, and Access

In the U.S., we are required to provide rebates to the federal government and respective state governments on their purchases of our human pharmaceuticals under state Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care programs (minimum of 23.1 percent plus adjustments for price increases over time) and rebates to private payers who cover patients in certain types of health care facilities that serve low-income and uninsured patients (known as 340B facilities). No rebates are required at this time in the Medicare Part B (physician and hospital outpatient) program where reimbursement is set on an "average selling price plus 4.3 percent" formula. Drug manufacturers are required to provide a discount of 50 percent of the cost of branded prescription drugs for Medicare Part D participants who are in the "doughnut hole" (the coverage gap in Medicare prescription drug coverage). Additionally, an annual fee is imposed on pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers that sell branded prescription drugs to specified government programs.

Rebates are also negotiated in the private sector. We give rebates to private payers who provide prescription drug benefits to seniors covered by Medicare and to private payers who provide prescription drug benefits to their customers. These rebates are affected by the introduction of competitive products and generics in the same class.

In most international markets, we operate in an environment of government-mandated cost-containment programs, which may include price controls, international reference pricing (to other countries' prices), discounts and rebates, therapeutic reference pricing (to other, often generic, pharmaceutical choices), restrictions on physician prescription levels, and mandatory generic substitution.

Globally, public and private payers are increasingly restricting access to human pharmaceuticals based on assessments of comparative effectiveness and value, including through the establishment of formal health technology assessment processes. In addition, third party organizations, including professional associations, academic institutions, and non-profit entities associated with payers, are conducting and publishing comparative effectiveness and cost/benefit analyses on medicines, the impact of which are uncertain at this time.

We cannot predict the extent to which our business may be affected by these or other potential future legislative or regulatory developments. However, in general we expect that state, federal, and international legislative and regulatory developments could have further negative effects on pricing and reimbursement for our human pharmaceutical products.

Research and Development

Our commitment to research and development dates back more than 100 years. We invest heavily in research and development because we believe it is critical to our long-term competitiveness. At the end of 2015, we employed approximately 8,730 people in human pharmaceutical and animal health research and development activities, including a substantial number of physicians, scientists holding graduate or postgraduate degrees, and highly skilled technical personnel. Our research and development expenses were \$4.80 billion in 2015, \$4.73 billion in 2014, and \$5.53 billion in 2013.

Our internal human pharmaceutical research focuses primarily on the areas of cancer, diabetes, neurodegeneration, immunology, and pain. We have a strong biotechnology research program, with more than half of our clinical-stage pipeline currently consisting of biologics. In addition to discovering and developing NMEs, we seek to expand the value of existing products through new uses, formulations, and therapeutic approaches that provide additional value to patients. Across all our therapeutic areas, we are increasingly focusing our efforts on tailored therapeutics, seeking to identify and use advanced diagnostic tools and other information to identify specific subgroups of patients for whom our medicines—or potentially those of other companies—will be the best treatment option.

To supplement our internal efforts, we collaborate with others, including academic institutions and researchbased pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. We use the services of physicians, hospitals, medical schools, and other research organizations worldwide to conduct clinical trials to establish the safety and effectiveness of our human pharmaceutical products. We actively seek out external investments in research and technologies that hold the promise to complement and strengthen our own efforts. These investments can take many forms, including licensing arrangements, co-development and co-marketing agreements, copromotion arrangements, joint ventures, and acquisitions.

Our Elanco animal health innovation strategy is focused on identifying and developing promising technologies and potential products from internal and external sources to meet unmet veterinary needs. Our animal health scientists also leverage discoveries from our human health laboratories to develop products to enhance the health and wellbeing of farm animals and pets.

Human pharmaceutical development is time-consuming, expensive, and risky. On average, only one out of many thousands of molecules discovered by researchers ultimately becomes an approved medicine. The process from discovery to regulatory approval can take over a decade. Drug candidates can fail at any stage of the process, and even late-stage drug candidates sometimes fail to receive regulatory approval or achieve commercial success. After approval and launch of a product, we expend considerable resources on post-marketing surveillance and additional clinical studies to collect data and understand the benefits and potential risks of medicines as they are used as therapeutics. The following describes in more detail the research and development process for human pharmaceutical products:

Phases of New Drug Development

• Discovery Research Phase

The earliest phase of new drug research and development, the discovery phase, can take many years. Scientists identify, design, and synthesize promising molecules, screening tens of thousands of molecules for their effect on biological "targets" that appear to play an important role in one or more diseases. Targets can be part of the body, such as a protein, receptor, or gene; or foreign, such as a virus or bacteria. Some targets have been proven to affect disease processes, but often the target is unproven and may later prove to be irrelevant to the disease or to yield insufficient clinical benefit. Molecules that have the desired effect on the target and meet other design criteria become "candidate" molecules and move to the next phase of development. The probability of any one candidate molecule becoming a commercial product is extremely low.

Early Development Phase

The early development phase involves refining candidate molecules, understanding how to manufacture them efficiently, and completing initial testing for safety and efficacy. Safety testing is done first in laboratory tests and animals as necessary, to identify toxicity and other potential safety issues that would preclude use in humans. In general, the first human tests (often referred to as Phase I) are conducted in small groups of healthy volunteers to assess safety and find the potential dosing range. After a safe dose has been established, the drug is typically administered to small populations of patients (Phase II) to look for initial signs of efficacy in treating the targeted disease, or biomarkers of the disease, and to continue to assess safety. In parallel, scientists work to identify safe, effective, and economical manufacturing processes. Long-term animal studies continue to test for potential safety issues. Of the molecules that enter the early development phase, approximately 10 percent move on to the product phase. The early development phase can take several years to complete.

Product Phase

Product phase (Phase III) molecules have already demonstrated safety and, typically, shown initial evidence of efficacy. As a result, these molecules generally have a higher likelihood of success. The molecules are tested in much larger patient populations to demonstrate efficacy to a predetermined level of statistical significance and to continue to develop the safety profile. These trials are generally global in nature and are designed to generate the data necessary to submit the molecule to regulatory agencies for marketing approval. The potential new drug is generally compared with existing competitive therapies, placebo, or both. The resulting data is compiled and may be submitted to regulatory agencies around the world. Phase III testing varies by disease state, but can often last from three to four years.

Submission Phase

Once a molecule is submitted to regulatory agencies, the time to final marketing approval can vary from several months to several years, depending on variables such as the disease state, the strength and complexity of the data presented, the novelty of the target or compound, and the time required for the agency(ies) to evaluate the submission. There is no guarantee that a potential medicine will receive marketing approval, or that decisions on marketing approvals or indications will be consistent across geographic areas.

We believe our investments in research, both internally and in collaboration with others, have been rewarded by the large number of new molecules and new indications for existing molecules that we have in all stages of development. We currently have approximately 50 drug candidates across all stages of human testing and a larger number of projects in preclinical development. Among our new investigational molecules currently in the product phase of development or awaiting regulatory approval or launch are potential therapies for various cancers, Alzheimer's disease, pain, migraines, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, and severe hypoglycemia. We are studying many other drug candidates in the earlier stages of development in our chosen priority areas. We are also developing new uses, formulations, or delivery methods for many of these molecules as well as several currently marketed products. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis— Late-Stage Pipeline," for more information on certain of our product candidates.

Raw Materials and Product Supply

Most of the principal materials we use in our manufacturing operations are available from more than one source. However, we obtain certain raw materials principally from only one source. In the event one of these suppliers was unable to provide the materials or product, we generally seek to maintain sufficient inventory to supply the market until an alternative source of supply can be implemented. However, in the event of an extended failure of a supplier, it is possible that we could experience an interruption in supply until we established new sources or, in some cases, implemented alternative processes.

The majority of our revenue comes from products produced in our own facilities. Our principal active ingredient manufacturing occurs at four owned sites in the U.S. as well as owned sites in Ireland, Puerto Rico, and the U.K. Finishing operations, including formulation, filling, assembling, delivery device manufacturing, and packaging, take place at a number of sites throughout the world. We utilize third parties for certain active ingredient manufacturing and finishing operations.

We manage our supply chain (including our own facilities, contracted arrangements, and inventory) in a way that should allow us to meet all expected product demand while maintaining flexibility to reallocate manufacturing capacity to improve efficiency and respond to changes in supply and demand. To maintain a stable supply of our products, we use a variety of techniques including comprehensive quality systems, inventory management, and back-up sites.

However, human pharmaceutical and animal health production processes are complex, highly regulated, and vary widely from product to product. Shifting or adding manufacturing capacity can be a very lengthy process requiring significant capital expenditures, process modifications, and regulatory approvals. Accordingly, if we were to experience extended plant shutdowns at one of our own facilities, extended failure of a contract supplier, or extraordinary unplanned increases in demand, we could experience an interruption in supply of certain products or product shortages until production could be resumed or expanded.

Quality Assurance

Our success depends in great measure upon customer confidence in the quality of our products and in the integrity of the data that support their safety and effectiveness. Product quality arises from a total commitment to quality in all parts of our operations, including research and development, purchasing, facilities planning, manufacturing, distribution, and dissemination of information about our medicines.

Quality of production processes involves strict control of ingredients, equipment, facilities, manufacturing methods, packaging materials, and labeling. We perform tests at various stages of production processes and on the final product to assure that the product meets all regulatory requirements and Lilly internal standards. These tests may involve chemical and physical chemical analyses, microbiological testing, testing in animals, or a combination. Additional assurance of quality is provided by corporate quality-assurance groups that audit and monitor all aspects of quality related to human pharmaceutical and animal health manufacturing procedures and systems in company operations and at third-party suppliers.

Risk Factors

In addition to the other information contained in this Annual Report, the following risk factors should be considered carefully in evaluating our company. It is possible that our business, financial condition, liquidity, or results of operations could be materially adversely affected by any of these risks. Certain of these risks could also adversely affect the company's reputation.

 Pharmaceutical research and development is very costly and highly uncertain; we may not succeed in developing or acquiring commercially successful products sufficient in number or value to replace revenues of products losing intellectual property protection.

There are many difficulties and uncertainties inherent in human pharmaceutical research and development and the introduction of new products. There is a high rate of failure inherent in new drug discovery and development. To bring a drug from the discovery phase to market can take over a decade and often costs in excess of \$1 billion. Failure can occur at any point in the process, including in later stages after substantial investment. As a result, most funds invested in research programs will not generate financial returns. New product candidates that appear promising in development may fail to reach the market or may have only limited commercial success because of efficacy or safety concerns, inability to obtain necessary regulatory approvals or payer reimbursement or coverage, limited scope of approved uses, difficulty or excessive costs to manufacture, or infringement of the patents or intellectual property rights of others. Regulatory agencies are establishing increasingly high hurdles for the efficacy and safety of new products; delays and uncertainties in drug approval processes can result in delays in product launches and lost market opportunity. In addition, it can be very difficult to predict sales growth rates of new products.

We cannot state with certainty when or whether our products now under development will be approved or launched; whether we will be able to develop, license, or otherwise acquire additional product candidates or products; or whether our products, once launched, will be commercially successful. We must maintain a continuous flow of successful new products and successful new indications or brand extensions for existing products sufficient both to cover our substantial research and development costs and to replace sales that are lost as profitable products lose intellectual property exclusivity or are displaced by competing products or therapies. Failure to do so in the short-term or long-term would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows, financial position, and prospects.

We depend on products with intellectual property protection for most of our revenues, cash flows, and earnings; we have lost or will lose effective intellectual property protection for many of those products in the next several years, which may result in rapid and severe declines in revenues.

A number of our top-selling human pharmaceutical products have recently lost, or will lose in the next several years, significant patent protection and/or data protection in the U.S. as well as key countries outside the U.S., as illustrated in the tables below:

Product	U.S. Revenues (2015) (\$ in millions)	Percent of Worldwide Revenues (2015)	Patent / Data Protection - U.S.
Cialis	\$ 1,256.8	6%	Compound and use patents November 2017
Alimta	1,162.4	6%	Compound patent plus pediatric exclusivity January 2017; vitamin regimen patent plus pediatric exclusivity 2022
Forteo	612.4	3%	Formulation and related process patents 2018; use patents 2019
Strattera	502.1	3%	Use patent plus pediatric exclusivity May 2017
Effient	417.6	2%	Compound patent April 2017; use patents 2023

Product	Revenues Outside U.S. (2015) (\$ in millions)	Percent of Worldwide Revenues (2015)	Patent / Data Protection - Major Europe / Japan	
Alimta	\$ 1,330.7	7%	Major European countries: compound patent December 2015, vitamin regimen patent 2021 Japan: compound patent December 2015, use patents to treat cancer concomitantly with vitamins 2021	
Cialis	1,053.9	5%	Major European countries: compound patent November 2017	
Cymbalta	883.0	4%	Major European countries: data package protection 2014 Japan: data package protection 2018	
Zyprexa	783.6	4%	Japan: Patent for schizophrenia December 2015; for bipolar mania April 2016	
Forteo	735.9	4%	Japan: Data package protection 2018; formulation and related process patent 2019	

Certain other significant products no longer have effective exclusivity through patent protection or data protection. For non-biological products, loss of exclusivity (whether by expiration or as a consequence of litigation) typically results in the entry of one or more generic competitors, leading to a rapid and severe decline in revenues, especially in the U.S. Historically, outside the U.S. the market penetration of generics following loss of exclusivity has not been as rapid or pervasive as in the U.S.; however, generic market penetration is increasing in many markets outside the U.S., including Japan, Europe, and many countries in the emerging markets. For biological products (such as Humalog, Humulin, Erbitux, and Cyramza), loss of exclusivity may or may not result in the near-term entry of competitor versions (i.e., biosimilars) due to development timelines, manufacturing challenges, and/or uncertainties in the regulatory pathways for approval of the competitor versions. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis—Executive Overview —Other Matters," and "Business—Patents, Trademarks, and Other Intellectual Property Rights," for more details.

• Our long-term success depends on intellectual property protection; if our intellectual property rights are invalidated, circumvented, or weakened, our business will be adversely affected.

Our long-term success depends on our ability to continually discover, develop, and commercialize innovative new pharmaceutical products. Without strong intellectual property protection, we would be unable to generate the returns necessary to support the enormous investments in research and development and capital as well as other expenditures required to bring new drugs to the market.

Intellectual property protection varies throughout the world and is subject to change over time. In the U.S., the Hatch-Waxman Act provides generic companies powerful incentives to seek to invalidate our human pharmaceutical patents; as a result, we expect that our U.S. patents on major pharmaceutical products will be routinely challenged in litigation and administrative proceedings, and may not be upheld. We face many generic manufacturer challenges to our patents outside the U.S. as well. The entry of generic competitors typically results in rapid and severe declines in sales. In addition, competitors or other third parties may claim that our activities infringe patents or other intellectual property rights held by them. If successful, such claims could result in our being unable to market a product in a particular territory or being required to pay damages for past infringement or royalties on future sales. See "Business— Patents, Trademarks, and Other Intellectual Property Rights" and "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 15, Contingencies," for more details.

Our human pharmaceutical business is subject to increasing government price controls and other public and private restrictions on pricing, reimbursement, and access for our drugs, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Public and private payers are taking increasingly aggressive steps to control their expenditures for human pharmaceuticals by placing restrictions on pricing and reimbursement for, and patient access to, our medications. These pressures could negatively affect our future revenues and income.

In the U.S., public concern over prices for specialty and brand name pharmaceuticals continues to drive the legislative debate. These policy and political issues increase the risk that taxes, fees, rebates or other federal and state measures may be enacted. Key health policy proposals affecting biopharmaceuticals include a reduction in biologic data exclusivity, modifications to Medicare Parts B and D, new language that would allow the Department of Health and Human Services to negotiate prices for biologics and drugs on the specialty tier in Part D, and state-level proposals to reduce the cost of pharmaceuticals purchased by government health care programs. Savings projected under these proposals are targeted as a means to fund both health care expenditures and non-health care initiatives, or to manage federal and state budgets.

In the U.S. private sector, health plans and pharmaceutical benefit managers have been consolidating into fewer, larger entities, thus enhancing their purchasing strength and importance. Payers typically maintain formularies specifying which drugs are covered and the cost to the consumer. Non-preferred formulary placement, including the exclusion of a drug from a formulary, typically leads to its reduced usage in the patient population. Consequently, pharmaceutical companies compete to have their branded products included by, among other things, providing offsetting rebates. Price is an increasingly important factor in formulary decisions, particularly in treatment areas in which payers take the position that multiple branded products are therapeutically comparable.

The main coverage expansion provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) are now in effect through both the launch of state-based exchanges and the expansion of Medicaid. An emerging trend has been the prevalence of benefit designs containing high patient out-of-pocket costs for pharmaceuticals. In addition to the coverage expansions, many employers in the commercial market, driven in part by ACA changes such as the 2020 implementation of the excise tax on employer-sponsored health care coverage for which there is an excess benefit (the so-called "Cadillac tax"), continue to evaluate strategies such as private exchanges and wider use of consumer-driven health plans to reduce their healthcare liabilities over time. At the same time, the broader paradigm shift towards quality-based reimbursement and the launch of several value-based purchasing initiatives are placing demands on the pharmaceutical industry to offer products with proven real-world outcomes data and a favorable economic profile.

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International operations also are generally subject to extensive price and market regulations. Costcontainment measures exist in a number of countries, including additional price controls and mechanisms to limit reimbursement for our products. Such policies are expected to increase in impact and reach, given the pressures on health care budgets that come from a growing aging population and ongoing economic challenges. In addition, governments in many emerging markets are becoming increasingly active in expanding health care system offerings. Given the budget challenges of increasing health care coverage for citizens, policies may be proposed that promote generics only and reduce current and future access to human pharmaceutical products.

We expect pricing, reimbursement, and access pressures from both governments and private payers inside and outside the U.S. to become more severe. For more details, see "Business—Regulations Affecting Human Pharmaceutical Pricing, Reimbursement, and Access," and "Management's Discussion and Analysis—Executive Overview—Other Matters."

We face intense competition from multinational pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology companies, and lower-cost generic and biosimilar manufacturers, and such competition could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We compete with a large number of multinational pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology companies, and generic pharmaceutical companies. To compete successfully, we must continue to deliver to the market innovative, cost-effective products that meet important medical needs. Our product revenues can be adversely affected by the introduction by competitors of branded products that are perceived as superior by the marketplace, by generic or biosimilar versions of our branded products, and by generic or biosimilar versions of other products in the same therapeutic class as our branded products. Our revenues can also be adversely affected by treatment innovations that eliminate or minimize the need for treatment with drugs. See "Business—Competition," for more details.

Changes in foreign currency rates can materially affect our revenue, cost of sales, and operating expenses.

As a global company with substantial operations outside the U.S., we face foreign currency risk exposure from fluctuating currency exchange rates, primarily the U.S. dollar against the euro, Japanese yen, and British pound, and the British pound against the euro. While we manage a portion of these exposures through hedging and other risk management techniques, significant fluctuations in currency rates can have a material impact, either positive or negative, on our revenue, cost of sales, and operating expenses.

Unanticipated changes in our tax rates or exposure to additional tax liabilities could increase our income taxes and decrease our net income.

We are subject to income taxes in the U.S. and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Changes in the relevant tax laws, regulations, administrative practices, principles, and interpretations could adversely affect our future effective tax rates. The U.S. and a number of other countries are actively considering or enacting changes in this regard. For example, the Obama administration proposed changes to the manner in which the U.S. would tax the international income of U.S.-based companies, including unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries. Other tax proposals under discussion or introduced in the U.S. Congress could change the tax rate and manner in which U.S. companies would be taxed. Additionally, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development issued its final recommendations of international tax reform proposals to influence international tax policy in major countries in which we operate. While outcomes of these initiatives continue to develop and remain uncertain, changes to key elements of the U.S. or international tax framework could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated operating results and cash flows.

See "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 13, Income Taxes," for more details.

• Regulatory compliance problems could be damaging to the company.

The marketing, promotional, and pricing practices of human pharmaceutical manufacturers, as well as the manner in which manufacturers interact with purchasers, prescribers, and patients, are subject to extensive regulation. Many companies, including us, have been subject to claims related to these practices asserted by federal, state, and foreign governmental authorities, private payers, and consumers. These claims have resulted in substantial expense and other significant consequences to us. It is possible that we could become subject to such investigations and that the outcome could include criminal charges and fines, penalties, or other monetary or non-monetary remedies, including exclusion from U.S. federal and other health care programs. In addition, regulatory issues concerning compliance with cGMP regulations (and comparable foreign regulations) for pharmaceutical products can lead to product recalls and seizures, fines and penalties, interruption of production leading to product shortages, and delays in the approvals of new products pending resolution of the issues. See "Business—Regulation of our Operations," for more details.

 The loss, theft, or inadvertent disclosure of our confidential data could impair our valuable intellectual property, harm our competitive position, and/or expose us to regulatory penalties and other costs.

A great deal of confidential information owned by both us and our alliances is stored in our information systems, networks, and facilities or those of third parties. This includes valuable trade secrets and intellectual property, corporate strategic plans, marketing plans, customer information, and personally identifiable information (such as employee and patient information). Some of this information is created, accessed, and/or maintained by third parties. The confidentiality of this information may be breached in a variety of ways, including but not limited to negligent or wrongful conduct by employees or others with permitted access to our systems and data, or wrongful conduct by certain governments, hackers, unethical competitors, or former workforce members. The rapid growth of factors such as mobile computing capacity, high-speed Internet access, and social media exacerbates the risk of information security breaches.

The theft or unauthorized disclosure of confidential information could impair our ability to secure and maintain intellectual property rights, cause damage to company operations and reputation, and cause us to lose trade secrets or other competitive advantages. Unauthorized disclosure of personally identifiable information could expose us to sanctions for violations of data privacy laws and regulations and could damage the public trust in our company. Information security breaches may be very difficult to detect, and once detected, their impact may be very difficult to assess. To date, the information security breaches of which we have become aware have been infrequent in occurrence and, to the extent we have been able to measure their financial impact on our consolidated results of operations, such impact has not been material. We have invested and continue to invest to prevent, monitor, detect, and respond to information security breaches by strengthening our employee awareness and training, information technology systems, and business processes, and strengthening data protection requirements for third parties that handle our confidential information. However, despite these efforts, we expect information security breaches to continue, and there can be no assurance that these efforts will prevent information security breaches that would have a material adverse effect on our business.

• Worsening economic conditions could adversely affect our business and operating results.

While human pharmaceuticals have not generally been sensitive to overall economic cycles, prolonged economic slowdowns could lead to decreased utilization of drugs, affecting our sales volume. Declining tax revenues attributable to economic downturns increase the pressure on governments to reduce health care spending, leading to increasing government efforts to control drug prices and utilization. Additionally, some customers, including governments or other entities reliant upon government funding, may be unable to pay in a timely manner for our products. Also, if our customers, suppliers, or collaboration partners experience financial difficulties, we could experience slower customer collections, greater bad debt expense, and performance defaults by suppliers or collaboration partners.

• Pharmaceutical products can develop unexpected safety or efficacy concerns, which could have a material adverse effect on revenues and income.

Human pharmaceutical products receive regulatory approval based on data obtained in controlled clinical trials of limited duration. After approval, the products are used for longer periods of time by much larger numbers of patients; we and others (including regulatory agencies and private payers) collect extensive information on the efficacy and safety of our marketed products by continuously monitoring the use of our products in the marketplace. In addition, we or others may conduct post-marketing clinical studies on efficacy and safety of our marketed products. New safety or efficacy data from both market surveillance and post-marketing clinical studies may result in product label changes that could reduce the product's market acceptance and result in declining sales. Serious safety or efficacy issues that arise after product approval could result in voluntary or mandatory product recalls or withdrawals from the market. Safety issues could also result in costly product liability claims.

We face many product liability claims and are self-insured; we could face large numbers of claims in the future, which could adversely affect our business.

We are subject to a substantial number of product liability claims involving Actos[®], Byetta[®], Cymbalta, and Prozac among other products. See "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 15, Contingencies" for more information on our current product liability litigation. Because of the nature of pharmaceutical products, we could become subject to large numbers of product liability claims for these or other products in the future, which could require substantial expenditures to resolve and, if involving marketed products, could adversely affect sales of the product. Due to a very restrictive market for product liability insurance, we are self-insured for product liability losses for all our currently marketed products.

• Manufacturing difficulties or disruptions could lead to product supply problems.

Pharmaceutical and animal health manufacturing is complex and highly regulated. Manufacturing difficulties at our facilities or contracted facilities, or the failure or refusal of a contract manufacturer to supply contracted quantities, could result in product shortages, leading to lost revenue. Such difficulties or disruptions could result from quality or regulatory compliance problems, natural disasters, mechanical or information technology system failures, or inability to obtain sole-source raw or intermediate materials. In addition, given the difficulties in predicting sales of new products and the very long lead times necessary for the expansion and regulatory qualification of pharmaceutical manufacturing capacity, it is possible that we could have difficulty meeting demand for new products. See "Business—Raw Materials and Product Supply," for more details.

We depend on information technology systems and infrastructure to operate our business; system inadequacies or operating failures could harm our business.

We rely to a large extent on the efficient and uninterrupted operation of complex information technology systems and networks, some of which are within the company and some of which are outsourced. These systems and networks are potentially vulnerable to corruption, damage, or interruption from a variety of sources, including energy or telecommunications failures, breakdowns, natural disasters, terrorism, war, computer malware or other malicious intrusions, and random attacks. To date, system interruptions have been infrequent and have not had a material impact on our consolidated results of operations. We have implemented measures to prevent, respond to, and minimize the impact of system interruptions. However, there can be no assurance that these efforts will prevent future interruptions that would have a material adverse effect on our business.

Reliance on third-party relationships and outsourcing arrangements could adversely affect our business.

We utilize third parties, including suppliers, alliances with other pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, and third-party service providers, for selected aspects of product development, the manufacture and commercialization of certain products, support for information technology systems, and certain financial transactional processes. For example, we outsource the day-to-day management and oversight of our clinical trials to contract research organizations. Outsourcing these functions involves the risk that the third parties may not perform to our standards or legal requirements, may not produce reliable results, may not perform in a timely manner, may not maintain the confidentiality of our proprietal information, or may fail to perform at all. Failure of these third parties to meet their contractual, regulatory confidentiality, or other obligations to us could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our animal health segment faces risks related to increased generic competition, food and animal safety concerns, factors affecting global agricultural markets, and other risks.

The animal health operating segment may be impacted by, among other things, increased generic competition; increased sales of companion animal products by non-veterinarian retail outlets; emerging restrictions and bans on the use of antibacterials in food-producing animals; perceived adverse effects or human health linked to the consumption of food derived from animals that utilize our products; increased regulation or decreased governmental support relating to the raising, processing, or consumption of food producing animals; an outbreak of infectious disease carried by animals; adverse weather conditions and the availability of natural resources; adverse global economic conditions affecting agricultural markets; and failure of our research and development, acquisition, and licensing efforts to generate new products. The failure to manage these risks could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and income.

Integration of the Novartis Animal Health business could lead to additional unplanned expenses and be disruptive to operations.

We are continuing to integrate into our operations the Novartis AH business which we purchased in January 2015. This complex global integration is a multi-year process and could still be disruptive to the ongoing operations of the Elanco business or to certain corporate support functions. Unexpected delays and difficulties in the integration could lead to additional expenses and disruption to ongoing operating results.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(Tables present dollars in millions, except per-share data)

Executive Overview

This section provides an overview of our financial results, recent product and late-stage pipeline developments, and other matters affecting our company and the pharmaceutical industry. Earnings per share (EPS) data is presented on a diluted basis.

Financial Results

The following table summarizes our key operating results:

	Year Ended, December 31,		Percent Change from	
	2015	2014	2014	
Revenue	\$19,958.7	\$19,615.6	2 %	
Gross margin	14,921.5	14,683.1	2 %	
Gross margin as a percent of revenue	74.8%	74.9%		
Operating expense ⁽¹⁾	\$11,329.4	\$11,354.4	— %	
Acquired in-process research and development	535.0	200.2	NM	
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges	367.7	468.7	(22)%	
Net income	2,408.4	2,390.5	1 %	
Earnings per share	2.26	2.23	1 %	

⁽¹⁾ Operating expense consists of research and development and marketing, selling, and administrative expenses.

NM - not meaningful

Revenue and gross margin increased slightly in 2015. Operating expense in 2015 remained essentially flat as a decrease in marketing, selling, and administrative expense was largely offset by increased research and development expense. Net income and EPS increased slightly in 2015 as a higher gross margin, lower income taxes, and decreased asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges were largely offset by increased acquired in-process research and development (IPR&D) charges and lower other income.

The following highlighted items affect comparisons of our 2015 and 2014 financial results:

2015

Acquisitions (Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements)

• We recognized expense of \$153.0 million (pretax), or \$0.10 per share, related to the fair value adjustments to Novartis Animal Health (Novartis AH) acquisition date inventory that has been sold.

Acquired IPR&D (Notes 3 and 4 to the consolidated financial statements)

 We recognized acquired IPR&D charges of \$535.0 million (pretax), or \$0.33 per share, related to upfront fees paid in connection with various collaboration agreements primarily with Pfizer, Inc. (Pfizer), as well as the consideration paid to acquire the worldwide rights to Locemia Solutions' (Locemia) intranasal glucagon.

Asset Impairment, Restructuring, and Other Special Charges (Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements)

• We recognized charges of \$367.7 million (pretax), or \$0.25 per share, related to severance costs, integration costs, and intangible asset impairments.

Debt Repurchase (Notes 7 and 10 to the consolidated financial statements)

 We recognized net charges of \$152.7 million (pretax), or \$0.09 per share, attributable to the debt extinguishment loss of \$166.7 million from the purchase and redemption of certain fixed-rate notes, partially offset by net gains from non-hedging interest rate swaps and foreign currency transactions associated with the related issuance of lower interest rate euro-denominated notes.

2014

Acquired IPR&D (Notes 3 and 4 to the consolidated financial statements)

 We recognized acquired IPR&D charges of \$200.2 million (pretax), or \$0.12 per share, related to acquired IPR&D from various collaboration agreements.

Collaborations (Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements)

• We recognized income of \$92.0 million (pretax), or \$0.06 per share, related to the transfer of our linagliptin and empagliflozin commercial rights in certain countries to Boehringer Ingelheim.

Asset Impairment, Restructuring, and Other Special Charges (Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements)

• We recognized charges of \$468.7 million (pretax), or \$0.38 per share, related to severance costs associated with our ongoing cost containment efforts to reduce our cost structure and global workforce, and asset impairments primarily associated with the closure of a manufacturing site in Puerto Rico.

Other

We recognized a marketing, selling, and administrative expense of \$119.0 million (non-tax deductible), or \$0.11 per share, for an extra year of the United States Branded Prescription Drug Fee (U.S. Drug Fee) due to final regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which required us to accelerate into 2014 the recording of an expense for the 2015 fee.

Late-Stage Pipeline

Our long-term success depends to a great extent on our ability to continue to discover and develop innovative pharmaceutical products and acquire or collaborate on molecules currently in development by other biotechnology or pharmaceutical companies. We currently have approximately 50 potential new drugs in human testing or under regulatory review, and a larger number of projects in preclinical research.

The following new molecular entity (NME) was approved by regulatory authorities in at least one of the major geographies for use in the disease described. The quarter in which the NME initially was approved in any major geography is shown in parentheses:

Necitumumab* (Portrazza[™]) (Q4 2015)—an anti-epidermal growth factor receptor monoclonal antibody for the treatment of metastatic squamous non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC).

The following NMEs have been submitted for regulatory review in at least one of the major geographies for potential use in the diseases described. The quarter in which each NME initially was submitted for any indication is shown in parentheses:

Ixekizumab* (Q1 2015)—a neutralizing monoclonal antibody to interleukin-17A for the treatment of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis.

Baricitinib (Q1 2016)—a Janus tyrosine kinase inhibitor for the treatment of moderately-to-severely active rheumatoid arthritis (in collaboration with Incyte Corporation).

The following NMEs and diagnostic agent are currently in Phase III clinical trial testing for potential use in the diseases described. The quarter in which each NME and diagnostic agent initially entered Phase III for any indication is shown in parentheses:

Abemaciclib (Q3 2014)—a small molecule cell-cycle inhibitor, selective for cyclin-dependent kinases 4 and 6 for the treatment of metastatic breast cancer and NSCLC.

CGRP monoclonal antibody* (Q2 2015)—a once-monthly subcutaneously injected calcitonin generelated peptide (CGRP) antibody for the treatment of cluster headache and migraine prevention.

Intranasal glucagon* (Q3 2013)—a glucagon nasal powder formulation for the treatment of severe hypoglycemia in patients with diabetes treated with insulin.

Olaratumab* (Q3 2015)—a human IgG1 monoclonal antibody for the treatment of advanced soft tissue sarcoma.

Solanezumab* (Q2 2009)—an anti-amyloid beta monoclonal antibody for the treatment of preclinical and mild Alzheimer's disease.

Tanezumab* (Q3 2008)—an anti-nerve growth factor monoclonal antibody for the treatment of osteoarthritis pain, chronic low back pain, and cancer pain (in collaboration with Pfizer).

Tau Imaging Agent (Q3 2015)**—a positron emission tomography (PET) tracer intended to image tau (or neurofibrillary) tangles in the brain, which are an indicator of Alzheimer's disease.

- * Biologic molecule subject to the United States (U.S.) Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act
- ** Diagnostic agent

The following table reflects the status of each NME and diagnostic agent within our late-stage pipeline including developments since January 1, 2015:

Compound	Indication	U.S.	Europe	Japan	Developments	
Cardiovascul	ar					
Evacetrapib	High-risk vascular disease				Announced decision to discontinue further development in October 2015.	

Compound	Indication	U.S.	Europe	Japan	Developments		
Endocrinolog	IY						
Basal insulin	Type 1 diabetes		Terminated		Announced decision to discontinue		
peglispro	Type 2 diabetes		Terminated		further development in December 2015.		
Intranasal glucagon	Severe hypoglycemia		Phase III		Acquired worldwide rights to intranasal glucagon in October 2015. See Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements for information on the acquisition.		
	Type 1 diabetes		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in July 2015.		
					Launched in first quarter of 2015 in Japan. In first quarter of 2016, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) accepted data from long-term clinical trial investigating cardiovascular (CV) outcomes in adults with type 2 diabetes at high risk for CV events. Also submitted CV data to European regulatory authorities in fourth quarter of 2015.		
Jardiance®	Type 2 diabetes		Launched		Glyxambi [®] , combination tablet of empagliflozin and linagliptin, approved in the U.S. and launched in first quarter of 2015. Submitted to European regulatory authorities in fourth quarter 2015.		
					Synjardy [®] , combination tablet of empagliflozin and metformin hydrochloride, approved and launched in Europe in second and third quarters of 2015, respectively. Approved and launched in the U.S. in third and fourth quarters of 2015, respectively.		
Basaglar [®] (new insulin	I DIADETES I '' I		Laun	ched	First launch in Europe and Japan in second and third quarter of 2015, respectively. Approved in the U.S. in		
glargine product)	Type 2 diabetes	Approved Launched			fourth quarter of 2015. See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for information on the U.S. approval.		
Trulicity®	Type 2 diabetes		Launched		Launched in certain European countries in first quarter of 2015. In Japan, approved and launched in third quarter of 2015.		

Compound	Indication	U.S.	Europe	Japan	Developments
Immunology					
Baricitinib	Rheumatoid arthritis	Subn	nitted	Phase III	Announced in February, September, and October 2015 top-line results of three Phase III trials which all met primary endpoints. Submitted to regulatory authorities in the U.S. and Europe in first quarter of 2016.
	Psoriasis		Submitted		Submitted to regulatory authorities in the U.S., Europe, and Japan in first, second, and third quarter of 2015, respectively.
Ixekizumab	Psoriatic arthritis	Pha	se III	Submitted	Announced in April 2015 top-line results of Phase III trial which met primary endpoints. Submitted to regulatory authorities in Japan in third quarter of 2015.
Neuroscience)				
CGRP monoclonal	Cluster headache		Phase III		Initiated first Phase III study in June 2015. Granted Fast Track Designation ⁽¹⁾ from the FDA in June 2015.
antibody	Migraine prevention		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in January 2016.
	Preclinical Alzheimer's disease		Phase III		Phase III study in asymptomatic Alzheimer's disease is ongoing.
Solanezumab	Mild Alzheimer's disease		Phase III		Enrollment in the ongoing Phase III study completed. In July 2015, announced clinical trial results from previous Phase III studies indicating the treatment effect was preserved in patients with mild Alzheimer's disease who received solanezumab earlier in disease, compared to patients beginning treatment at later point.
	Osteoarthritis painPhase IIIFanezumabChronic low back painPhase III			FDA clinical hold lifted in March 2015.	
Tanezumab				Certain Phase III studies resumed in July 2015.	
	Cancer pain		Phase III		
Tau imaging agent	Alzheimer's disease		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in September 2015.

Compound	Indication	U.S.	Europe	Japan	Developments
Oncology	•				
Abemaciclib	Metastatic breast cancer		Phase III		Phase III studies are ongoing. Announced that abemaciclib was granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation ⁽²⁾ by the FDA.
	NSCLC		Phase III		Phase III study is ongoing.
	Gastric cancer (first-line)		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in January 2015.
	Gastric cancer (second-line)		Launched		Launched in certain European countries in first quarter of 2015. In Japan, approved in first quarter of 2015 and launched in second quarter of 2015.
	NSCLC (first-line)		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in May 2015.
Cyramza®	NSCLC (second-line)	Laun	ched	Submitted	Launched in the U.S. in first quarter of 2015. Submitted in Japan in third quarter of 2015. Approved in Europe and launched in certain European countries in first quarter of 2016.
	Liver cancer (second-line)	Phase III			Initiated Phase III study in July 2015.
	Metastatic colorectal cancer (second-line)	Laun	ched	Submitted	Approved and launched in the U.S. in second quarter of 2015. Submitted in Japan in second quarter of 2015. Approved in Europe and launched in certain European countries in first quarter of 2016.
	Urothelial (bladder) cancer (second-line)		Phase III		Initiated Phase III study in July 2015.
Olaratumab	Soft tissue sarcoma		Phase III		Announced that olaratumab was granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation ⁽²⁾ by the FDA. In third quarter of 2015, announced intention to submit U.S. and European regulatory applications based on Phase II clinical trial data. Initiated a rolling submission to FDA in fourth quarter of 2015. Submission to European regulatory authorities expected in 2016. Initiated Phase III study of olaratumab in soft tissue sarcoma in September 2015.
Portrazza	Metastatic squamous NSCLC (first-line)	Launched	Approved	Phase lb/ II	Approved and launched in the U.S. in fourth quarter of 2015. Approved in Europe in first quarter of 2016.

⁽¹⁾ The FDA Fast Track designation is designed to facilitate the development, and expedite the review, of drugs which treat a serious or life-threatening condition and fill an unmet medical need.

(2) The Breakthrough Therapy Designation is designed to expedite the development and review of potential medicines that are intended to treat a serious condition where preliminary clinical evidence indicates that the treatment may demonstrate substantial improvement over available therapy on a clinically significant endpoint. There are many difficulties and uncertainties inherent in pharmaceutical research and development and the introduction of new products. A high rate of failure is inherent in new drug discovery and development. The process to bring a drug from the discovery phase to regulatory approval can take over a decade and cost more than \$1 billion. Failure can occur at any point in the process, including late in the process after substantial investment. As a result, most research programs will not generate financial returns. New product candidates that appear promising in development may fail to reach the market or may have only limited commercial success. Delays and uncertainties in the regulatory approval processes in the U.S. and in other countries can result in delays in product launches and lost market opportunities. Consequently, it is very difficult to predict which products will ultimately be approved.

We manage research and development spending across our portfolio of molecules, and a delay in, or termination of, any one project will not necessarily cause a significant change in our total research and development spending. Due to the risks and uncertainties involved in the research and development process, we cannot reliably estimate the nature, timing, completion dates, and costs of the efforts necessary to complete the development of our research and development projects, nor can we reliably estimate the future potential revenue that will be generated from a successful research and development project. Each project represents only a portion of the overall pipeline, and none is individually material to our consolidated research and development expense. While we do accumulate certain research and development costs on a project level for internal reporting purposes, we must make significant cost estimations and allocations, some of which rely on data that are neither reproducible nor validated through accepted control mechanisms. Therefore, we do not have sufficiently reliable data to report on total research and development costs by project, by preclinical versus clinical spend, or by therapeutic category.

Other Matters

Novartis Animal Health Acquisition

On January 1, 2015, we completed our acquisition of Novartis AH in an all-cash transaction for \$5.28 billion. Novartis AH operates in approximately 40 countries. We acquired Novartis AH's nine manufacturing sites, six dedicated research and development facilities, a global commercial infrastructure with a portfolio of approximately 600 products, a pipeline with more than 40 projects in development, and more than 3,000 employees. The combined organization has increased our animal health product portfolio, expanded our global commercial presence, and augmented our animal health manufacturing and research and development. In particular, it has provided Elanco with a greater commercial presence in the companion animal and swine markets, expanded Elanco's presence in equine and vaccines areas, and created an entry into the aquaculture market. As a condition to the clearance of the transaction under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act, following the closing of the acquisition of Novartis AH, we divested certain companion animal assets in the U.S. related to the Sentinel[®] canine parasiticide franchise to Virbac Corporation for approximately \$410 million. The Novartis AH business we retained generated revenue of approximately \$1.1 billion in 2014.

Patent Matters

We depend on patents or other forms of intellectual-property protection for most of our revenues, cash flows, and earnings. The loss of U.S. patent exclusivity for Cymbalta[®] in December 2013 and Evista[®] in March 2014, resulted in the immediate entry of generic competitors and a rapid and severe decline in revenue from the affected products, having, in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and cash flows.

We lost our data package protection for Cymbalta in major European countries in 2014. In 2015, we saw the entry of generic competition in all major European markets. The loss of exclusivity for Cymbalta in the European markets has caused a rapid and severe decline in revenue for the product, which over time will, in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and cash flows. We also lost patent exclusivity for the schizophrenia indication in December 2015 for Zyprexa[®] in Japan. We will lose our patent protection for the bipolar mania indication in April 2016 for Zyprexa in Japan. Generic versions of Zyprexa were approved in Japan in February 2016. We cannot speculate whether the generic company will apply for pricing and proceed to launch.

Additionally, as described in Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements, the Alimta[®] vitamin regimen patent, which provides us with patent protection for Alimta through June 2021 in Japan and major European countries, and through May 2022 in the U.S., has been challenged in each of these jurisdictions. Our compound patent for Alimta will expire in the U.S. in January 2017, and expired in major European countries and Japan in December 2015. We expect that the entry of generic competition for Alimta into these markets following the loss of effective patent protection will cause a rapid and severe decline in revenue for the product, which will, in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and cash flows. We are aware that a generic competitor has received approval to market a generic version of Alimta in a major European country, although we are not aware of whether this competitor's product has entered the market. Notwithstanding our patents, generic versions of Alimta were approved in Japan in February 2016. We filed preliminary injunctions against four generic competitors. We do not anticipate generic competitors to proceed to launch prior to the completion of the Sawai invalidation trial, as described in Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.

The U.S. compound patent for Humalog[®] expired in 2013. Thus far, the loss of compound patent protection for Humalog has not resulted in a rapid and severe decline in revenue. Global regulators have different legal pathways to approve similar versions of Humalog and to date none have been approved in the U.S. or Europe. We are aware that other manufacturers have efforts underway to develop a similar version of Humalog, and it is difficult to predict the likelihood, timing, and impact of these products entering the market.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rates

As a global company with substantial operations outside the U.S., we face foreign currency risk exposure from fluctuating currency exchange rates, primarily the U.S. dollar against the euro, Japanese yen, and British pound, and the British pound against the euro. While we manage a portion of these exposures through hedging and other risk management techniques, significant fluctuations in currency rates can have a substantial impact, either positive or negative, on our revenue, cost of sales, and operating expenses. Over the past two years, we have seen significant foreign currency rate fluctuations as the U.S. dollar strengthened compared to several other foreign currencies, including the euro, British pound, and Japanese yen. While there is uncertainty in the future movements in foreign exchange rates, these fluctuations could negatively impact our future consolidated results of operations.

Trends Affecting Pharmaceutical Pricing, Reimbursement, and Access

United States

In the U.S., public concern over prices for specialty and brand name pharmaceuticals continues to drive the legislative debate. These policy and political issues increase the risk that taxes, fees, rebates or other federal and state measures may be enacted. Key health policy proposals affecting biopharmaceuticals include a reduction in biologic data exclusivity, modifications to Medicare Parts B and D, new language that would allow the Department of Health and Human Services to negotiate prices for biologics and drugs on the specialty tier in Part D, and state-level proposals to reduce the cost of pharmaceuticals purchased by government health care programs. Savings projected under these proposals are targeted as a means to fund both health care expenditures and non-health care initiatives, or to manage federal and state budgets.

In the U.S. private sector, consolidation and integration among U.S. healthcare providers is also a major factor in the competitive marketplace for human pharmaceuticals. Health plans and pharmaceutical benefit managers have been consolidating into fewer, larger entities, thus enhancing their purchasing strength and importance. Payers typically maintain formularies which specify coverage (the conditions under which drugs are included on a plan's formulary) and reimbursement (the associated out-of-pocket cost to the consumer). Formulary placement can lead to reduced usage of a drug for the relevant patient population due to coverage restrictions, such as prior authorizations and formulary exclusions, or due to reimbursement limitations which result in higher consumer out-of-pocket cost, such as non-preferred co-pay tiers, increased co-insurance levels and higher deductibles. Consequently, pharmaceutical companies compete for formula placement not only on the basis of product attributes such as greater efficacy, fewer side effects, or greater patient ease of use, but also by providing rebates. Price is an increasingly important factor in formulary decisions, particularly in treatment areas in which the payer has taken the position that multiple branded products are therapeutically comparable. These downward pricing pressures could negatively affect future consolidated results of operations.

The main coverage expansion provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) are now in effect through both the launch of state-based exchanges and the expansion of Medicaid. An emerging trend has been the prevalence of benefit designs containing high out-of-pocket costs for patients, particularly for pharmaceuticals. In addition to the coverage expansions, many employers in the commercial market, driven in part by ACA changes such as the 2020 implementation of the excise tax on employer-sponsored health care coverage for which there is an excess benefit (the so-called "Cadillac tax"), continue to evaluate strategies such as private exchanges and wider use of consumer-driven health plans to reduce their healthcare liabilities over time. At the same time, the broader paradigm shift towards quality-based reimbursement and the launch of several value-based purchasing initiatives have placed demands on the pharmaceutical industry to offer products with proven real-world outcomes data and a favorable economic profile.

International

International operations also are generally subject to extensive price and market regulations. Costcontainment measures exist in a number of countries, including additional price controls and mechanisms to limit reimbursement for our products. Such policies are expected to increase in impact and reach, given the pressures on national and regional health care budgets that come from a growing aging population and ongoing economic challenges. In addition, governments in many emerging markets are becoming increasingly active in expanding health care system offerings. Given the budget challenges of increasing health care coverage for citizens, policies may be proposed that promote generics only and reduce current and future access to human pharmaceutical products.

Tax Matters

We are subject to income taxes in the U.S. and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Changes in the relevant tax laws, regulations, administrative practices, principles, and interpretations could adversely affect our future effective tax rates. The U.S. and a number of other countries are actively considering or enacting changes in this regard. For example, the Obama administration proposed changes to the manner in which the U.S. would tax the international income of U.S.-based companies, including unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries. Other tax proposals under discussion or introduced in the U.S. Congress could change the tax rate and manner in which U.S. companies would be taxed. Additionally, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development issued its final recommendations of international tax reform proposals to influence international tax policy in major countries in which we operate. While outcomes of these initiatives continue to develop and remain uncertain, changes to key elements of the U.S. or international tax framework could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated operating results and cash flows.

Operating Results—2015

Revenue

The following table summarizes our revenue activity by jurisdiction:

	Year I Decem		Change	in
	2015	2014	 Dollars	Percent
U.S. ⁽¹⁾	\$ 10,097.4	\$ 9,134.1	\$ 963.3	11 %
Outside U.S.	9,861.3	10,481.5	(620.2)	(6)%
Revenue	\$ 19,958.7	\$ 19,615.6	\$ 343.1	2 %

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

⁽¹⁾ U.S. revenue includes revenue in Puerto Rico.

The following are components of the change in revenue compared to the prior year:

		2015 vs. 2014	
	U.S.	Outside U.S.	Consolidated
Volume	6%	9 %	8 %
Price	5%	(2)%	1 %
Foreign exchange rates	—%	(13)%	(7)%
Percent change	11%	(6)%	2 %

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

In the U.S., the volume increase in 2015 was driven by the inclusion of revenue from Novartis AH and increased volumes for several pharmaceutical products, partially offset by the residual impact of the loss of exclusivity for Cymbalta and Evista.

Outside the U.S., the volume increase in 2015 was driven by the inclusion of revenue from Novartis AH and increased volumes for several pharmaceutical products.

On a pro forma basis, which reflects the 2014 revenues of Novartis AH as described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, our consolidated volume in 2015 would have increased by 2 percent compared with 2014.

The following table summarizes our revenue activity in 2015 compared with 2014:

	Year Ended						Y	ear Ended	
		December 31, 2015						ecember 31, 2014	Percent Change from
Product		U.S. ⁽¹⁾	0	utside U.S.		Total		Total	2014
Humalog	\$	1,772.3	\$	1,069.6	\$	2,841.9	\$	2,785.2	2
Alimta		1,162.4		1,330.7		2,493.1		2,792.0	(11)
Cialis [®]		1,256.8		1,053.9		2,310.7		2,291.0	1
Forteo [®]		612.4		735.9		1,348.3		1,322.0	2
Humulin [®]		764.4		543.0		1,307.4		1,400.1	(7)
Cymbalta		144.6		883.0		1,027.6		1,614.7	(36)
Zyprexa		156.7		783.6		940.3		1,037.3	(9)
Strattera®		502.1		281.9		784.0		738.5	6
Effient®		417.6		105.4		523.0		522.2	—
Cyramza		277.7		106.1		383.8		75.6	NM
Trulicity		207.7		41.0		248.7		10.2	NM
Evista		61.7		175.6		237.3		419.8	(43)
Other pharmaceutical products ⁽²⁾		738.4		785.1		1,523.5		1,472.0	3
Animal health products		1,541.2		1,639.8		3,181.0		2,346.6	36
Total net product revenue		9,616.0		9,534.6		19,150.6		18,827.2	2
Collaboration and other revenue ⁽³⁾		481.4		326.7		808.1		788.4	2
Revenue	\$	10,097.4	\$	9,861.3	\$	19,958.7	\$	19,615.6	2

⁽¹⁾ U.S. revenue includes revenue in Puerto Rico.

⁽²⁾ Other pharmaceutical products includes revenue of \$175.6 million and \$46.1 million in 2015 and 2014, respectively, for Erbitux[®]. The 2015 revenue is primarily associated with net product revenue from third parties subsequent to the transfer of commercialization rights in the U.S. and Canada (collectively, North America) from Bristol-Myers Squibb Company and E.R. Squibb (collectively, BMS) to us in the fourth quarter. See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements.

⁽³⁾ Collaboration and other revenue consists primarily of revenue associated with Trajenta[®] (which includes Jentadueto[®]) of \$356.8 million and \$328.8 million in 2015 and 2014, respectively, as well as royalties for Erbitux prior to the transfer of commercialization of rights in North America from BMS to us of \$309.4 million and \$327.2 million in 2015 and 2014, respectively. See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements. Revenues of Humalog, our injectable human insulin analog for the treatment of diabetes, increased 9 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices and, to a lesser extent, increased volume. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 8 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, partially offset by higher volume.

Revenues of Alimta, a treatment for various cancers, decreased 5 percent in the U.S., driven by decreased demand and, to a lesser extent, lower realized prices. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 15 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates and, to a lesser extent, lower realized prices, partially offset by increased volume.

Revenues of Cialis, a treatment for erectile dysfunction and benign prostatic hyperplasia, increased 21 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 16 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Forteo, an injectable treatment for osteoporosis in postmenopausal women and men at high risk for fracture and for glucocorticoid-induced osteoporosis in men and postmenopausal women, increased 14 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by decreased volume. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 6 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, partially offset by increased volume.

Revenues of Humulin, an injectable human insulin for the treatment of diabetes, increased 7 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices and, to a lesser extent, wholesaler buying patterns, partially offset by decreased demand. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 21 percent, driven by decreased volume, primarily due to the loss of a government contract in Brazil, and the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Cymbalta, a product for the treatment of major depressive disorder, diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain, generalized anxiety disorder, chronic musculoskeletal pain, and the management of fibromyalgia, decreased 66 percent in the U.S. due to the loss of U.S. patent exclusivity in December 2013. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 26 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates and the loss of exclusivity in Europe in 2014.

Revenues of Zyprexa, a treatment for schizophrenia, acute mixed or manic episodes associated with bipolar I disorder, and bipolar maintenance, increased 31 percent in the U.S., driven by adjustments to the return reserve resulting from the expiration of the period to return expired product for credit. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 15 percent, driven primarily by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates. We lost patent exclusivity for Zyprexa in Japan in December 2015. Zyprexa revenues in Japan were \$415.9 million in 2015, compared with \$466.2 million in 2014. The revenue decrease in Japan was due to the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Strattera, a treatment for attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, increased 11 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices and, to a lesser extent, increased demand. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 1 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, largely offset by increased volume.

Revenues of Effient, a product for the reduction of thrombotic cardiovascular events (including stent thrombosis) in patients with acute coronary syndrome who are managed with an artery-opening procedure known as percutaneous coronary intervention, including patients undergoing angioplasty, atherectomy, or stent placement, increased 6 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by decreased demand. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 17 percent, driven primarily by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Evista, a product for the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis in postmenopausal women and for reduction of risk of invasive breast cancer in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis and postmenopausal women at high risk for invasive breast cancer, decreased 70 percent in the U.S., due to the loss of patent exclusivity in March 2014. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 17 percent, driven primarily by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of animal health products in the U.S. increased 21 percent and animal health product revenues outside the U.S. increased 53 percent. The increases were driven by the inclusion of revenue from Novartis AH.

On a pro forma basis, which reflects the 2014 revenues of Novartis AH as described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, revenues of animal health products in the U.S. would have decreased 1 percent, driven primarily by decreased volume in food animal products. Revenues outside the U.S. would have decreased 13 percent, driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates and decreased volume in companion animal products, partially offset by higher realized prices and volume for food animal products.

Gross Margin, Costs, and Expenses

Gross margin as a percent of total revenue was 74.8 percent in 2015, essentially flat compared with 2014 as the unfavorable impacts of the inclusion of Novartis AH and inventory step-up and amortization costs were offset by the favorable impact of foreign exchange rates on international inventories sold.

Research and development expenses increased 1 percent to \$4.80 billion in 2015, driven primarily by higher late-stage clinical development costs, the inclusion of Novartis AH, and an increase in charges associated with the termination of late-stage molecules, primarily evacetrapib and basal insulin peglispro, of approximately \$135 million, partially offset by the favorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Marketing, selling, and administrative expenses decreased 1 percent to \$6.53 billion in 2015, due to the favorable impact of foreign exchange rates and a 2014 charge associated with the U.S. Drug Fee, partially offset by the inclusion of Novartis AH and expenses related to new product launches.

We recognized acquired IPR&D charges of \$535.0 million in 2015 resulting from various collaboration agreements, primarily with Pfizer, as well as the consideration paid to acquire the worldwide rights to Locemia's intranasal glucagon. There were \$200.2 million of acquired IPR&D charges in 2014 related to various collaboration agreements, including charges associated with the transfer of commercial rights to us, from Boehringer Ingelheim, of the new insulin glargine product in certain countries where it was not yet approved. See Notes 3 and 4 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

We recognized asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges of \$367.7 million in 2015. The charges relate to severance costs, integration costs for Novartis AH, and asset impairments. In 2014, we recognized charges of \$468.7 million for asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges. The charges included severance costs, asset impairments primarily associated with the closure of a manufacturing site in Puerto Rico, and integration costs for the then-pending acquisition of Novartis AH. See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Other—net, (income) expense was income of \$100.6 million in 2015, compared with income of \$340.5 million in 2014. Other income in 2015 included net gains of \$236.7 million on investments, partially offset by a net charge of \$152.7 million related to the repurchase of \$1.65 billion of debt. Other income in 2014 included net gains of \$216.4 million on investments and \$92.0 million of income associated with the transfer of commercial rights to linagliptin and empagliflozin in certain countries from us to Boehringer Ingelheim. See Notes 4 and 17 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Our effective tax rate was 13.7 percent in 2015, compared with 20.3 percent in 2014. The effective tax rate for 2014 reflects the impact of a \$119.0 million nondeductible charge associated with the U.S. Drug Fee. The decrease in the tax rate for 2015 compared with 2014 is primarily due to a favorable tax impact of the net charges related to the repurchase of debt, acquired IPR&D, and asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges. See Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Operating Results—2014

Financial Results

The following table summarizes our key operating results:

	Year E Decem	Ended, Iber 31,	Percent Change from
	2014	2013	2013
Revenue	\$19,615.6	\$23,113.1	(15)%
Gross margin	14,683.1	18,205.0	(19)%
Gross margin as percent of revenue	74.9%	78.8%	
Operating expense ⁽¹⁾	\$11,354.4	\$12,656.9	(10)%
Acquired in-process research and development	200.2	57.1	NM
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges	468.7	120.6	NM
Net income	2,390.5	4,684.8	(49)%
Earnings per share	2.23	4.32	(48)%

⁽¹⁾ Operating expense consists of research and development and marketing, selling, and administrative expenses.

NM - not meaningful

Revenue and gross margin decreased in 2014. The decrease in operating expense in 2014 was due to decreases in both research and development and marketing, selling, and administrative expenses. The decreases in net income and EPS for 2015 were due to lower gross margin, higher asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges, and decreased other income, partially offset by lower operating expenses, and income tax expense.

Certain items affect the comparisons of our 2014 and 2013 results. The 2014 highlighted items are summarized in the "Results of Operations—Executive Overview" section. The 2013 highlighted items are summarized as follows:

Acquired IPR&D (Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements)

 We recognized acquired IPR&D charges of \$57.1 million (pretax), or \$0.03 per share, resulting from our acquisition of rights for a CGRP monoclonal antibody (see "Results of Operations—Executive Overview —Late-Stage Pipeline" section).

Collaborations (Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements)

• We recognized income of \$495.4 million (pretax), or \$0.29 per share, related to the transfer to Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Amylin) of exenatide commercial rights in all markets outside the U.S.

Asset Impairment, Restructuring, and Other Special Charges (Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements)

 We recognized charges of \$120.6 million (pretax), or \$0.08 per share, primarily related to severance costs, as well as asset impairment costs associated with the closure of a packaging and distribution facility in Germany.

Revenue

The following table summarizes our revenue activity by jurisdiction:

	Year I Decem		Change	in
	2014	2013	Dollars	Percent
U.S. ⁽¹⁾	\$ 9,134.1	\$ 12,889.7	\$ (3,755.6)	(29)%
Outside U.S.	10,481.5	10,223.4	258.1	3 %
Revenue	\$ 19,615.6	\$ 23,113.1	\$ (3,497.5)	(15)%

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

⁽¹⁾ U.S. revenue includes revenue in Puerto Rico.

The following are components of the change in revenue compared to the prior year:

		2014 vs. 2013	
	U.S.	Outside U.S.	Consolidated
Volume	(28)%	7 %	(13)%
Price	(1)%	(1)%	(1)%
Foreign exchange rates	— %	(3)%	(2)%
Percent change	(29)%	3 %	(15)%

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

In the U.S., the volume decrease in 2014 was due to lower demand for Cymbalta and Evista following patent expirations, and to a lesser extent, to wholesaler buying patterns.

The following table summarizes our revenue activity in 2014 compared with 2013:

	Year Ended					Y	ear Ended		
	December 31, 2014					De	ecember 31, 2013	Percent Change from	
Product		U.S. ⁽¹⁾	0	utside U.S.		Total		Total	2013
Alimta	\$	1,229.5	\$	1,562.5	\$	2,792.0	\$	2,703.0	3
Humalog		1,627.6		1,157.6		2,785.2		2,611.2	7
Cialis		1,039.9		1,251.1		2,291.0		2,159.4	6
Cymbalta		420.5		1,194.2		1,614.7		5,084.4	(68)
Humulin		713.1		687.0		1,400.1		1,315.8	6
Forteo		539.0		783.0		1,322.0		1,244.9	6
Zyprexa		119.8		917.5		1,037.3		1,194.8	(13)
Strattera		452.5		286.0		738.5		709.2	4
Effient		394.5		127.7		522.2		508.7	3
Evista		207.2		212.6		419.8		1,050.4	(60)
Other pharmaceutical products		647.5		910.3		1,557.8		1,672.3	(7)
Animal health products		1,274.4		1,072.2		2,346.6		2,151.5	9
Total net product revenue		8,665.5		10,161.7		18,827.2		22,405.6	(16)
Collaboration and other revenue ⁽²⁾		468.6		319.8		788.4		707.5	11
Revenue	\$	9,134.1	\$	10,481.5	\$	19,615.6	\$	23,113.1	(15)

 $^{\left(1\right) }$ U.S. revenue includes revenue in Puerto Rico.

⁽²⁾ Collaboration and other revenue consists primarily of royalties for Erbitux and revenue associated with Trajenta.

Revenues of Alimta increased 2 percent in the U.S., driven by increased volume. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 5 percent, driven by increased volume, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates and lower realized prices.

Revenues of Humalog increased 7 percent in the U.S., driven by increased demand, partially offset by lower realized prices as a result of payer contracts and greater Medicaid and Medicare utilization, as well as wholesaler buying patterns. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 6 percent, driven by increased volume and, to a lesser extent, higher realized prices, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Cialis increased 10 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by wholesaler buying patterns. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 3 percent, driven by higher realized prices and increased volume, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Cymbalta decreased 89 percent in the U.S. due to the loss of U.S. patent exclusivity in December 2013. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 6 percent, driven by increased volume, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Humulin increased 5 percent in the U.S., primarily driven by increased demand, partially offset by wholesaler buying patterns. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 8 percent, driven by increased volume, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Revenues of Forteo increased 5 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by decreased volume. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 7 percent, driven by increased volume, primarily in Japan, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, primarily the Japanese yen.

Revenues of Zyprexa decreased 3 percent in the U.S. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 14 percent, driven by decreased volume, the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, primarily the Japanese yen, and lower realized prices.

Revenues of Strattera increased 1 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by decreased volume. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 9 percent, driven by increased volume, primarily in Japan, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, primarily the Japanese yen.

Revenues of Effient increased 5 percent in the U.S., driven by higher realized prices, partially offset by wholesaler buying patterns. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 3 percent, driven by lower volume.

Revenues of Evista decreased 73 percent in the U.S., due to the loss of U.S. patent exclusivity in March 2014. Revenues outside the U.S. decreased 24 percent, driven primarily by the expiration of a supply agreement in 2013, and to a lesser extent the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Animal health product revenues in the U.S. increased 4 percent, driven by increased volume in food animal products and higher realized prices, partially offset by decreased volume in companion animal products due to competitive pressure. Revenues outside the U.S. increased 16 percent, driven by increased volume in food animal products, due in part to the acquisition of Lohmann SE and, to a lesser extent, higher realized prices, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates.

Gross Margin, Costs, and Expenses

Gross margin as a percent of total revenue was 74.9 percent in 2014, a decrease of 3.9 percentage points compared with 2013, driven primarily by lower sales of Cymbalta and Evista following U.S. patent expirations.

Research and development expenses decreased 14 percent to \$4.73 billion in 2014, driven primarily by lower late-stage clinical development costs. Research and development expenses in 2013 included \$97.2 million of milestone payments made to Boehringer Ingelheim following regulatory submissions for empagliflozin.

Marketing, selling, and administrative expenses decreased 7 percent to \$6.62 billion in 2014, driven primarily by the reduction in U.S. sales and marketing activities for Cymbalta and Evista, as well as ongoing cost containment efforts, partially offset by an additional \$119.0 million charge in 2014 associated with the U.S. Drug Fee, an annual non-tax deductible fee enacted by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act that is imposed on us and others engaged in the business of manufacturing or importing branded prescription drugs. The final regulations issued by the IRS in 2014, accelerated the expense recognition criteria for the fee obligation by one year, from the year in which the fee is paid to the year in which the sales used to calculate the fee occur. This change resulted in the need to expense two years of the U.S. Drug Fee in 2014 to account for the fee imposed and paid in 2014 and the fee that would be imposed and paid in 2015.

We recognized acquired IPR&D charges of \$200.2 million in 2014 resulting from our collaboration agreements with Adocia, AstraZeneca UK Limited, and Immunocore Limited in addition to charges associated with the transfer of commercial rights to us, from Boehringer Ingelheim, of the new insulin glargine product in certain countries where it was not yet approved. There were \$57.1 million of acquired IPR&D charges in 2013 related to the acquisition of rights for the CGRP antibody. See Notes 3 and 4 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

We recognized asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges of \$468.7 million in 2014. These charges included \$225.5 million of severance costs and \$243.2 million of asset impairment and other special charges consisting primarily of a \$180.8 million asset impairment charge related to our decision to close and sell a manufacturing plant located in Puerto Rico. In 2013, we recognized asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges of \$120.6 million. These charges included \$30.0 million of asset impairments primarily associated with the closure of a packaging and distribution facility in Germany and \$90.6 million of severance costs. See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Other—net, (income) expense was income of \$340.5 million in 2014, compared with income of \$518.9 million in 2013. Other income in 2014 included net gains of \$216.4 million on investments and \$92.0 million of income related to the transfer of commercial rights to linagliptin and empagliflozin in certain countries from us to Boehringer Ingelheim. Other income in 2013 was primarily comprised of \$495.4 million related to the transide collaboration with Amylin. See Notes 4 and 17 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Our effective tax rate was 20.3 percent in 2014, compared with 20.5 percent in 2013. See Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

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As of December 31, 2015, cash and cash equivalents was \$3.67 billion, a decrease of \$205.2 million, compared with \$3.87 billion at December 31, 2014. Refer to the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for additional details on the significant sources and uses of cash for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

In addition to our cash and cash equivalents, we held total investments of \$4.43 billion and \$5.52 billion as of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. See Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements for additional details.

As of December 31, 2015, total debt was \$7.98 billion, a slight decrease of \$43.0 million compared with \$8.02 billion at December 31, 2014. This decrease is due primarily to \$2.68 billion of net repayments of short-term commercial paper borrowings, the repayment of \$1.78 billion of fixed-rate notes in connection with the purchase and redemption of certain U.S. dollar-denominated notes in June 2015, and, to a lesser extent, the decrease in fair value of our hedged debt. These decreases were largely offset by the issuance of \$4.45 billion of fixed-rate notes during 2015. At December 31, 2015, we had a total of \$1.30 billion of unused committed bank credit facilities, \$1.20 billion of which is available to support our commercial paper program. See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for additional details. We believe that amounts accessible through existing commercial paper markets should be adequate to fund short-term borrowing needs.

For the 130th consecutive year, we distributed dividends to our shareholders. Dividends of \$2.00 per share and \$1.96 per share were paid in 2015 and 2014, respectively. In the fourth quarter of 2015, effective for the dividend to be paid in the first quarter of 2016, the quarterly dividend was increased to \$0.51 per share, resulting in an indicated annual rate for 2016 of \$2.04 per share.

Capital expenditures of \$1.07 billion during 2015 were \$96.4 million less than in 2014. We expect 2016 capital expenditures to be approximately \$1.1 billion.

In 2015, we repurchased \$749.5 million of shares under the \$5.00 billion share repurchase program previously announced in October 2013.

See "Results of Operations—Executive Overview—Other Matters" section for information regarding the actual or anticipated effect of losses of exclusivity for Cymbalta (U.S. and Europe), Evista (U.S.), Alimta (U.S., Europe, and Japan), and Zyprexa (Japan).

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At December 31, 2015, we had an aggregate of \$7.12 billion of cash and investments at our foreign subsidiaries. A significant portion of this amount would be subject to tax payments if such cash and investments were repatriated to the U.S. We record U.S. deferred tax liabilities for certain unremitted earnings, but when foreign earnings are expected to be indefinitely reinvested outside the U.S., no accrual for U.S. income taxes is provided. We believe cash provided by operating activities in the U.S. and planned repatriations of foreign earnings for which tax has been provided should be sufficient to fund our domestic operating needs, dividends paid to shareholders, share repurchases, and capital expenditures. Various risks and uncertainties, including those discussed in "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors," may, however, affect our operating results and cash generated from operations.

Both domestically and abroad, we continue to monitor the potential impacts of the economic environment; the creditworthiness of our wholesalers and other customers, including foreign government-backed agencies and suppliers; the uncertain impact of health care legislation; and various international government funding levels.

In the normal course of business, our operations are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates and currency values. These fluctuations can vary the costs of financing, investing, and operating. We address a portion of these risks through a controlled program of risk management that includes the use of derivative financial instruments. The objective of controlling these risks is to limit the impact on earnings of fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates. All derivative activities are for purposes other than trading.

Our primary interest rate risk exposure results from changes in short-term U.S. dollar interest rates. In an effort to manage interest rate exposures, we strive to achieve an acceptable balance between fixed and floating rate debt positions and may enter into interest rate derivatives to help maintain that balance. Based on our overall interest rate exposure at December 31, 2015 and 2014, including derivatives and other interest rate risk-sensitive instruments, a hypothetical 10 percent change in interest rates applied to the fair value of the instruments as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively, would not have a material impact on earnings, cash flows, or fair values of interest rate risk-sensitive instruments over a one-year period.

Our foreign currency risk exposure results from fluctuating currency exchange rates, primarily the U.S. dollar against the euro, Japanese yen, and British pound, and the British pound against the euro. We face foreign currency exchange exposures when we enter into transactions arising from subsidiary trade and loan payables and receivables denominated in foreign currencies. We also face currency exposure that arises from translating the results of our global operations to the U.S. dollar at exchange rates that have fluctuated from the beginning of the period. We may enter into foreign currency forward or option derivative contracts to reduce the effect of fluctuating currency exchange rates (principally the euro, the British pound, and the Japanese yen). Our corporate risk-management policy outlines the minimum and maximum hedge coverage of such exposures. Gains and losses on these derivative contracts offset, in part, the impact of currency fluctuations on the existing assets and liabilities. We periodically analyze the fair values of the outstanding foreign currency derivative contracts to determine their sensitivity to changes in foreign exchange rates. A hypothetical 10 percent change in exchange rates (primarily against the U.S. dollar) applied to the fair values of our outstanding foreign currency derivative contracts as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, would not have a material impact on earnings, cash flows, or financial position over a one-year period. This sensitivity analysis does not consider the impact that hypothetical changes in exchange rates would have on the underlying foreign currency denominated transactions.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Contractual Obligations

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have a material current effect or that are reasonably likely to have a material future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures, or capital resources. We acquire and collaborate on potential products still in development and enter into research and development arrangements with third parties that often require milestone and royalty payments to the third party contingent upon the occurrence of certain future events linked to the success of the asset in development. Milestone payments may be required contingent upon the successful achievement of an important point in the development life cycle of the pharmaceutical product (e.g., approval for marketing by the appropriate regulatory agency or upon the achievement of certain sales levels). If required by the arrangement, we may make royalty payments based upon a percentage of the sales of the pharmaceutical product in the event that regulatory approval for marketing is obtained. Because of the contingent nature of these payments, they are not included in the table of contractual obligations below.

Individually, these arrangements are not material in any one annual reporting period. However, if milestones for multiple products covered by these arrangements were reached in the same reporting period, the aggregate charge to expense could be material to the results of operations or cash flows in that period. See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for additional details. These arrangements often give us the discretion to unilaterally terminate development of the product, which would allow us to avoid making the contingent payments; however, we are unlikely to cease development if the compound successfully achieves milestone objectives. We also note that, from a business perspective, we view these payments as positive because they signify that the product is successfully moving through development and is now generating or is more likely to generate cash flows from sales of products.

Our current noncancelable contractual obligations that will require future cash payments are as follows:

	Payments Due by Period					
(Dollars in millions)	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More Than 5 Years	
Long-term debt, including interest payments ⁽¹⁾	\$10,880.2	\$ 192.0	\$ 1,792.4	\$ 939.2	\$ 7,956.6	
Capital lease obligations	15.8	4.9	8.5	2.4		
Operating leases	934.4	132.5	244.9	181.1	375.9	
Purchase obligations ⁽²⁾	13,786.7	12,982.2	678.9	122.7	2.9	
Other long-term liabilities reflected on our balance sheet ⁽³⁾	2,054.8	_	381.2	189.5	1,484.1	
Total	\$27,671.9	\$13,311.6	\$ 3,105.9	\$ 1,434.9	\$ 9,819.5	

⁽¹⁾ Our long-term debt obligations include both our expected principal and interest obligations and our interest rate swaps. We used the interest rate forward curve at December 31, 2015, to compute the amount of the contractual obligation for interest on the variable rate debt instruments and swaps.

 $^{\scriptscriptstyle (2)}$ We have included the following:

- Purchase obligations consisting primarily of all open purchase orders as of December 31, 2015. Some of these purchase orders may be cancelable; however, for purposes of this disclosure, we have not distinguished between cancelable and noncancelable purchase obligations.
- Contractual payment obligations with each of our significant vendors, which are noncancelable and are not contingent.
- (3) We have included long-term liabilities consisting primarily of our nonqualified supplemental pension funding requirements and deferred compensation liabilities. We excluded long-term income taxes payable of \$868.9 million, because we cannot reasonably estimate the timing of future cash outflows associated with those liabilities.

The contractual obligations table is current as of December 31, 2015. We expect the amount of these obligations to change materially over time as new contracts are initiated and existing contracts are completed, terminated, or modified.

APPLICATION OF CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

In preparing our financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S., we must often make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and related disclosures. Some of those judgments can be subjective and complex, and consequently actual results could differ from those estimates. For any given individual estimate or assumption we make, it is possible that other people applying reasonable judgment to the same facts and circumstances could develop different estimates. We believe that, given current facts and circumstances, it is unlikely that applying any such other reasonable judgment would cause a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or liquidity for the periods presented in this report. Our most critical accounting estimates have been discussed with our audit committee and are described below.

Revenue Recognition and Sales Return, Rebate, and Discount Accruals

We recognize revenue from sales of products at the time title of goods passes to the buyer and the buyer assumes the risks and rewards of ownership. Provisions for returns, rebates, and discounts are established in the same period the related sales are recorded.

Sales Returns - Background and Uncertainties

We regularly review the supply levels of our significant products sold to major wholesalers in the U.S. and in major markets outside the U.S., primarily by reviewing periodic inventory reports supplied by our major wholesalers and available prescription volume information for our products, or alternative approaches. We attempt to maintain U.S. wholesaler inventory levels at an average of approximately one month or less on a consistent basis across our product portfolio. Causes of unusual wholesaler buying patterns include actual or anticipated product-supply issues, weather patterns, anticipated changes in the transportation network, redundant holiday stocking, and changes in wholesaler business operations. In the U.S., the current structure of our arrangements does not provide an incentive for speculative wholesaler buying patterns have caused an unusual increase or decrease in the sales of a major product compared with underlying demand, we disclose this in our product sales discussion if we believe the amount is material to the product sales trend; however, we are not always able to accurately quantify the amount of stocking or destocking in the retail channel. Wholesaler stocking and destocking activity historically has not caused any material changes in the rate of actual product returns.

When sales occur, we estimate a reserve for future product returns related to those sales. This estimate is based on several factors, including: historical return rates, expiration date by product (generally, 24 to 36 months after the initial sale of a product to our customer), and estimated levels of inventory in the wholesale and retail channels, among others, as well as any other specifically-identified anticipated returns due to known factors such as the loss of patent exclusivity, product recalls and discontinuances, or a changing competitive environment. We maintain a returns policy that allows U.S. pharmaceutical customers to return product for dating issues within a specified period prior to and subsequent to the product's expiration date. Following the loss of exclusivity for a patent-dependent product, we expect to experience an elevated level of product returns as product inventory remaining in the wholesale and retail channels expires. Adjustments to the returns reserve may be required in the future based on revised estimates to our assumptions, which would have an impact on our consolidated results of operations. We record the return amounts as a deduction to arrive at our net product sales. Once the product is returned, it is destroyed. Actual product returns have been less than 2 percent of our net sales over the past three years and have not fluctuated significantly as a percentage of sales. We expect the ratio of actual product returns as a percentage of net sales to increase in future periods as we begin to experience elevated return levels for Cymbalta following the loss of patent exclusivity in the U.S. market.

Sales Rebates and Discounts - Background and Uncertainties

We establish sales rebate and discount accruals in the same period as the related sales. The rebate and discount amounts are recorded as a deduction to arrive at our net product sales. Sales rebates and discounts that require the use of judgment in the establishment of the accrual include Medicaid, managed care, Medicare, chargebacks, long-term care, hospital, patient assistance programs, and various other programs. We base these accruals primarily upon our historical rebate and discount payments made to our customer segment groups and the provisions of current rebate and discount contracts.

The largest of our sales rebate and discount amounts are rebates associated with sales covered by Medicaid and managed care contracts. In determining the appropriate accrual amount, we consider our historical Medicaid and managed care rebate payments by product as a percentage of our historical sales as well as any significant changes in sales trends (e.g., patent expiries), an evaluation of the current Medicaid and managed care contracts, the percentage of our products that are sold via Medicaid and managed care contracts, and our product pricing. Although we accrue a liability for Medicaid and managed care rebates at the time we record the sale (when the product is shipped), the Medicaid and managed care rebate related to that sale is typically paid up to six months later. Because of this time lag, in any particular period our rebate adjustments may incorporate revisions of accruals for several periods.

Most of our rebates outside the U.S. are contractual or legislatively mandated and are estimated and recognized in the same period as the related sales. In some large European countries, government rebates are based on the anticipated budget for pharmaceutical payments in the country. A best estimate of these rebates, updated as governmental authorities revise budgeted deficits, is recognized in the same period as the related sale. If our estimates are not reflective of the actual pharmaceutical costs incurred by the government, we adjust our rebate reserves.

Financial Statement Impact

We believe that our accruals for sales returns, rebates, and discounts are reasonable and appropriate based on current facts and circumstances. Our global rebate and discount liabilities are included in sales rebates and discounts on our consolidated balance sheet. Our global sales return liability is included in other current liabilities and other noncurrent liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet. As of December 31, 2015, a 5 percent change in our global sales return, rebate, and discount liability would have led to an approximate \$158 million effect on our income before income taxes.

The portion of our global sales return, rebate, and discount liability resulting from sales of our products in the U.S. was 87 percent and 88 percent as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

The following represents a roll-forward of our most significant U.S. pharmaceutical sales return, rebate, and discount liability balances, including Medicaid and managed care:

(Dollars in millions)	2015	2014
Sales return, rebate, and discount liabilities, beginning of year	\$ 2,241.4	\$ 2,215.5
Reduction of net sales due to sales returns, discounts, and rebates ⁽¹⁾	6,245.1	4,707.8
Cash payments of discounts and rebates	(5,927.9)	(4,681.9)
Sales return, rebate, and discount liabilities, end of year	\$ 2,558.6	\$ 2,241.4

⁽¹⁾ Adjustments of the estimates for these returns, rebates, and discounts to actual results were less than 1.5 percent of consolidated net sales for each of the years presented.

Product Litigation Liabilities and Other Contingencies

Background and Uncertainties

Product litigation liabilities and other contingencies are, by their nature, uncertain and are based upon complex judgments and probabilities. The factors we consider in developing our product litigation liability reserves and other contingent liability amounts include the merits and jurisdiction of the litigation, the nature and the number of other similar current and past litigation cases, the nature of the product and the current assessment of the science subject to the litigation, and the likelihood of settlement and current state of settlement discussions, if any. In addition, we accrue for certain product liability claims incurred, but not filed, to the extent we can formulate a reasonable estimate of their costs based primarily on historical claims experience and data regarding product usage. We accrue legal defense costs expected to be incurred in connection with significant product liability contingencies when both probable and reasonably estimable.

We also consider the insurance coverage we have to diminish the exposure for periods covered by insurance. In assessing our insurance coverage, we consider the policy coverage limits and exclusions, the potential for denial of coverage by the insurance company, the financial condition of the insurers, and the possibility of and length of time for collection. Due to a very restrictive market for product liability insurance, we are self-insured for product liability losses for all our currently marketed products. In addition to insurance coverage, we also consider any third-party indemnification to which we are entitled, including the nature of the indemnification, the financial condition of the indemnifying party, and the possibility of and length of time for collection.

Financial Statement Impact

The litigation accruals and environmental liabilities and the related estimated insurance recoverables have been reflected on a gross basis as liabilities and assets, respectively, on our consolidated balance sheets.

Retirement Benefits Assumptions

Background and Uncertainties

Defined benefit pension plan and retiree health benefit plan costs include assumptions for the discount rate, retirement age, and expected return on plan assets. These assumptions have a significant effect on the amounts reported. In addition to the analysis below, see Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding our retirement benefits.

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Annually, we evaluate the discount rate and the expected return on plan assets in our defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans. We use an actuarially determined, plan-specific yield curve of high quality, fixed income debt instruments to determine the discount rates. In evaluating the expected return on plan assets, we consider many factors, with a primary analysis of current and projected market conditions, asset returns and asset allocations (approximately 80 percent of which are growth investments); and the views of leading financial advisers and economists. We may also review our historical assumptions compared with actual results, as well as the discount rates and expected return on plan assets of other companies, where applicable. In evaluating our expected retirement age assumption, we consider the retirement ages of our past employees eligible for pension and medical benefits together with our expectations of future retirement ages.

Financial Statement Impact

If the 2015 discount rate for the U.S. defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans (U.S. plans) were to change by a guarter percentage point, income before income taxes would change by \$42.9 million. As of January 1, 2016, we changed the method used to estimate the service and interest cost components of the net periodic pension and retiree health benefit plan costs. Prior to this change, the service and interest costs were determined using a single weighted-average discount rate based on yield curves of high guality, fixed income debt instruments used to measure the benefit obligation at the beginning of the period. This new method uses the spot yield curve approach to estimate the service and interest costs by applying the specific spot rates along the yield curve to the projected cash outflows of our obligations. The new method provides a more precise measure of interest and service costs by improving the correlation between the projected benefit cash flows and the specific spot yield curve rates. The change does not affect the measurement of the total benefit obligations as the change in service and interest costs is recorded in the actuarial gains and losses recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss. We will account for this as a change in estimate prospectively beginning in the first quarter of 2016. The decrease in the 2016 service and interest costs is expected to be approximately \$110 million compared to the previous method.

If the 2015 expected return on plan assets for U.S. plans were to change by a guarter percentage point. income before income taxes would change by \$22.7 million. If our assumption regarding the 2015 expected age of future retirees for U.S. plans were adjusted by one year, our income before income taxes would be affected by \$50.4 million. The U.S. plans, including Puerto Rico, represent approximately 75 percent of both the total projected benefit obligation and total plan assets at December 31, 2015.

Impairment of Indefinite-Lived and Long-Lived Assets

Background and Uncertainties

We review the carrying value of long-lived assets (both intangible and tangible) for potential impairment on a periodic basis and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. We determine impairment by comparing the projected undiscounted cash flows to be generated by the asset to its carrying value. If an impairment is identified, a loss is recorded equal to the excess of the asset's net book value over its fair value, and the cost basis is adjusted.

Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for impairment at least annually and when certain impairment indicators are present. When required, a comparison of fair value to the carrying amount of assets is performed to determine the amount of any impairment.

Several methods may be used to determine the estimated fair value of acquired IPR&D, all of which require multiple assumptions. We utilize the "income method," as described in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

For acquired IPR&D assets, the risk of failure has been factored into the fair value measure and there can be no certainty that these assets ultimately will yield a successful product, as discussed previously in the "Late-Stage Pipeline" section. The nature of the pharmaceutical business is high-risk and requires that we invest in a large number of projects to build a successful portfolio of approved products. As such, it is likely that some acquired IPR&D assets will become impaired in the future.

Estimates of future cash flows, based on what we believe to be reasonable and supportable assumptions and projections, require management's judgment. Actual results could vary materially from these estimates.

Income Taxes

Background and Uncertainties

We prepare and file tax returns based on our interpretation of tax laws and regulations and record estimates based on these judgments and interpretations. In the normal course of business, our tax returns are subject to examination by various taxing authorities, which may result in future tax, interest, and penalty assessments by these authorities. Inherent uncertainties exist in estimates of many tax positions due to changes in tax law resulting from legislation, regulation, and/or as concluded through the various jurisdictions' tax court systems. We recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate resolution. The amount of unrecognized tax benefits is adjusted for changes in facts and circumstances. For example, adjustments could result from significant amendments to existing tax law, the issuance of regulations or interpretations by the taxing authorities, new information obtained during a tax examination, or resolution of an examination. We believe our estimates for uncertain tax positions are appropriate and sufficient to pay assessments that may result from examinations of our tax returns. We recognize both accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense.

We have recorded valuation allowances against certain of our deferred tax assets, primarily those that have been generated from net operating losses and tax credit carryforwards in certain taxing jurisdictions. In evaluating whether we would more likely than not recover these deferred tax assets, we have not assumed any future taxable income or tax planning strategies in the jurisdictions associated with these carryforwards where history does not support such an assumption. Implementation of tax planning strategies to recover these deferred tax assets or future income generation in these jurisdictions could lead to the reversal of these valuation allowances and a reduction of income tax expense.

Financial Statement Impact

As of December 31, 2015, a 5 percent change in the amount of the uncertain tax positions and the valuation allowance would result in a change in net income of \$20.2 million and \$29.5 million, respectively.

Acquisitions

Background and Uncertainties

To determine whether acquisitions or licensing transactions qualify as a business combination or as an asset acquisition, we make certain judgments, which include assessing whether the acquired set of activities would meet the definition of a business under the relevant accounting rules. This involves determining the inputs, processes, and outputs associated with the acquired set of activities.

If the acquired set of activities meets the definition of a business, assets acquired and liabilities assumed are required to be recorded at their respective fair values as of the acquisition date. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the acquired net assets, where applicable, is recorded as goodwill. If the acquired set of activities does not meet the definition of a business, the transaction is recorded as an acquisition of assets and, therefore, any acquired IPR&D that does not have an alternative future use is charged to expense at the acquisition date, and goodwill is not recorded. Refer to Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

The judgments made in determining estimated fair values assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination, as well as estimated asset lives, can materially affect our consolidated results of operations. The fair values of intangible assets, including acquired IPR&D, are determined using information available near the acquisition date based on expectations and assumptions that are deemed reasonable by management. Depending on the facts and circumstances, we may deem it necessary to engage an independent valuation expert to assist in valuing significant assets and liabilities.

The fair values of identifiable intangible assets are primarily determined using an "income method," as described in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

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The fair value of any contingent consideration liability that results from a business combination is determined using a market approach based on quoted market values, significant other observable inputs for identical or comparable assets or liabilities, or a discounted cash flow analysis. Estimating the fair value of contingent consideration requires the use of significant estimates and judgments, including, but not limited to, revenue and the discount rate.

Financial Statement Impact

As of December 31, 2015, a 5 percent change in the contingent consideration liability would result in a change in income before income taxes of \$33.5 million.

LEGAL AND REGULATORY MATTERS

Information relating to certain legal proceedings can be found in Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements and is incorporated here by reference.

FINANCIAL EXPECTATIONS FOR 2016

For the full year of 2016, we expect EPS to be in the range of \$2.83 to \$2.93. We anticipate that total revenue will be between \$20.2 billion and \$20.7 billion. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange rates, we expect revenue growth from a number of established products including Humalog, Trajenta, Cialis, Forteo, Strattera, Erbitux, and animal health products, as well as higher revenues from new products including Cyramza, Trulicity, Jardiance, Portrazza, and Basaglar. We expect this revenue growth to be partially offset by lower revenue from Alimta as a result of increased competitive pressures.

We anticipate that gross margin as a percent of revenue will be approximately 74 percent in 2016. Research and development expenses are expected to be in the range of \$4.8 billion to \$5.0 billion. Other—net, (income) expense is expected to be income of up to \$75 million. Marketing, selling, and administrative expenses are expected to be in the range of \$6.0 billion to \$6.2 billion.

The 2016 tax rate is expected to be approximately 21 percent.

Capital expenditures are expected to be approximately \$1.1 billion.

Amortization associated with the transfer of Erbitux commercialization rights included in our 2016 financial guidance is subject to final acquisition accounting adjustments.

Various risks and uncertainties, including those discussed in "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors," may cause our actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements.

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(Dollars in millions and shares in thousands, except per-share data)	Year Ended December 31		2015	2014	2013
Revenue		\$	19,958.7	\$ 19,615.6	\$ 23,113.1
Costs, expenses, and other:					
Cost of sales			5,037.2	4,932.5	4,908.1
Research and development			4,796.4	4,733.6	5,531.3
Marketing, selling, and administrative			6,533.0	6,620.8	7,125.6
Acquired in-process research and develo	opment (Notes 3 and		535.0	200.2	57.1
Asset impairment, restructuring, and othe (Note 5)	er special charges		367.7	468.7	120.6
Other—net, (income) expense (Note 17)			(100.6)	(340.5)	(518.9)
			17,168.7	16,615.3	17,223.8
Income before income taxes			2,790.0	3,000.3	5,889.3
Income taxes (Note 13)		_	381.6	609.8	1,204.5
Net income		\$	2,408.4	\$ 2,390.5	\$ 4,684.8
Earnings per share:					
Basic		\$	2.27	\$ 2.23	\$ 4.33
Diluted			2.26	2.23	4.32
Shares used in calculation of earnings per	r share:				
Basic			1,061,913	1,069,932	1,080,874
Diluted			1,065,720	1,074,286	1,084,766

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions)	Year Ended December 31	2015	2014	2013
Net income		\$ 2,408.4	\$ 2,390.5	\$ 4,684.8
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Change in foreign currency translation gains	s (losses)	(859.8)	(961.4)	36.2
Change in net unrealized gains and losses of	on securities	(138.1)	(162.2)	204.3
Change in defined benefit pension and retire (Note 14)	ee health benefit plans	572.9	(1,327.6)	2,592.2
Change in effective portion of cash flow hed	lges	(42.0)	(14.5)	(123.8)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before	income taxes	(467.0)	(2,465.7)	2,708.9
Provision for income taxes related to other o (loss) items	comprehensive income	(121.9)	476.6	(914.5)
Other comprehensive income (loss) (Note 16)	(588.9)	(1,989.1)	1,794.4
Comprehensive income		\$ 1,819.5	\$ 401.4	\$ 6,479.2

Consolidated Balance Sheets

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions, shares in thousands)	December 31	2015		2014
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 7)	\$	3,666.4	\$	3,871.6
Short-term investments (Note 7)		785.4		955.4
Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$44.3 (2015) and \$55	.0 (2014)	3,513.0		3,234.6
Other receivables		558.6		566.7
Inventories (Note 6)		3,445.8		2,740.0
Prepaid expenses and other		604.4		560.0
Total current assets		12,573.6		11,928.3
Other Assets				
Restricted cash (Note 3)		_		5,405.6
Investments (Note 7)		3,646.6		4,568.9
Goodwill (Note 8)		4,039.9		1,758.1
Other intangibles, net (Note 8)		5,034.8		2,884.2
Sundry		2,220.5		1,798.6
Total other assets		14,941.8		16,415.4
Property and equipment, net (Note 9)		8,053.5		7,963.9
Total assets	\$	35,568.9	\$	36,307.6
Liabilities and Equity	<u> </u>	,		,
Current Liabilities				
Short-term borrowings and current maturities of long-term debt (Note 10) \$	6.1	\$	2,688.7
Accounts payable	ποιο το) ψ	1,338.2	Ψ	1,128.1
Employee compensation		967.0		759.0
Sales rebates and discounts		2,560.1		2,068.8
Dividends payable		539.0		530.3
Income taxes payable (Note 13)		358.9		93.5
Other current liabilities		2,460.3		2,472.6
Total current liabilities	_	8,229.6		9,741.0
Other Liabilities		0,220.0		5,741.0
Long-term debt (Note 10)		7,972.4		5,332.8
Accrued retirement benefits (Note 14)		2,160.3		2,562.9
Long-term income taxes payable (Note 13)		868.9		998.5
Other noncurrent liabilities		1,747.4		2,284.3
Total other liabilities		12,749.0	_	11,178.5
		12,14010		11,110.0
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 15)				
Eli Lilly and Company Shareholders' Equity (Notes 11 and 12)				
Common stock—no par value				
Authorized shares: 3,200,000 Issued shares: 1,106,063 (2015) and 1,111,437 (2014)		691.3		694.6
Additional paid-in capital		5,552.1		5,292.3
Retained earnings		16,011.8		16,482.7
Employee benefit trust		(3,013.2)		(3,013.2)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note 16)		(4,580.7)		(3,991.8)
Cost of common stock in treasury		(90.0)		(0,001.0)
Total Eli Lilly and Company shareholders' equity		14,571.3		15,373.2
Noncontrolling interests		19.0		14.9
Total equity		14,590.3		15,388.1
Total liabilities and equity	\$		\$	36,307.6
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Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND	Common Stock				А	ccumulated		Common Stock in Treasury			
SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions, shares in thousands)	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Co	Other mprehensive Loss	Shares	Amount	Employee Benefit Trust	Sh	areholders' Equity
Balance at January 1, 2013	1,146,493	\$ 716.6	\$ 4,963.1	\$ 16,088.2	\$	(3,797.1)	2,850	\$ (192.4)	\$(3,013.2)	\$	14,765.2
Net income				4,684.8							4,684.8
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax						1,794.4					1,794.4
Cash dividends declared per share: \$1.96				(2,102.8)							(2,102.8)
Retirement of treasury shares	(32,406)	(20.3)		(1,677.8)			(32,406)	1,698.1			_
Purchase for treasury							30,400	(1,600.0)			(1,600.0)
Issuance of stock under employee stock plans, net	3,541	2.2	(58.0)				(11)	0.7			(55.1)
Stock-based compensation			144.9								144.9
Balance at December 31, 2013	1,117,628	698.5	5,050.0	16,992.4		(2,002.7)	833	(93.6)	(3,013.2)		17,631.4
Net income				2,390.5							2,390.5
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax						(1,989.1)					(1,989.1)
Cash dividends declared per share: \$1.97				(2,108.1)							(2,108.1)
Retirement of treasury shares	(12,579)	(7.9)		(792.1)			(12,579)	800.0			—
Purchase for treasury							12,579	(800.0)			(800.0)
Issuance of stock under employee stock plans, net	6,388	4.0	86.3				(23)	2.2			92.5
Stock-based compensation			156.0								156.0
Balance at December 31, 2014	1,111,437	694.6	5,292.3	16,482.7		(3,991.8)	810	(91.4)	(3,013.2)		15,373.2
Net income				2,408.4							2,408.4
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax						(588.9)					(588.9)
Cash dividends declared per share: \$2.01				(2,136.0)							(2,136.0)
Retirement of treasury shares	(9,877)	(6.2)		(743.3)			(9,877)	749.5			—
Purchase for treasury							9,877	(749.5)			(749.5)
Issuance of stock under employee stock plans, net	4,503	2.9	42.0				(14)	1.4			46.3
Stock-based compensation			217.8								217.8
Balance at December 31, 2015	1,106,063	\$ 691.3	\$ 5,552.1	\$ 16,011.8	\$	(4,580.7)	796	\$ (90.0)	\$(3,013.2)	\$	14,571.3

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions)	Year Ended December 31		2015		2014		2013
Cash Flows from Operating Activities							
Net income		\$	2,408.4	\$	2,390.5	\$	4,684.8
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Cash Flows from Operating Activities	:						
Depreciation and amortization			1,427.7		1,379.0		1,445.6
Change in deferred income taxes			(748.4)		36.8		265.9
Stock-based compensation expense			217.8		156.0		144.9
Acquired in-process research and devel	•		535.0		200.2		57.1
Income related to termination of the exe Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Note 4)			_		_		(495.4)
Net proceeds from (payments for) termin swaps	nations of interest rate		(186.1)		340.7		
Other non-cash operating activities, net			36.4		13.8		25.1
Other changes in operating assets and I acquisitions and divestitures:	iabilities, net of						
Receivables—(increase) decrease			(304.5)		117.4		(152.7)
Inventories—(increase) decrease			(736.3)		(307.1)		(286.5)
Other assets—(increase) decrease			(338.8)		411.5		116.5
Accounts payable and other liabilities-			461.6		(371.7)		(70.3)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activitie Cash Flows from Investing Activities	S		2,772.8		4,367.1		5,735.0
Purchases of property and equipment			(1,066.2)		(1,162.6)		(1,012.1)
Disposals of property and equipment			92.6		15.3		179.4
Cash released (restricted) for pending a	cquisition (Note 3)		5,405.6		(5,405.6)		_
Proceeds from sales and maturities of sl	nort-term investments		2,161.8		4,054.1		3,320.1
Purchases of short-term investments			(842.2)		(1,637.8)		(1,531.0)
Proceeds from sales of noncurrent inves	stments		3,068.4		11,009.4		11,235.0
Purchases of noncurrent investments			(3,226.5)		(9,802.7)	(14,041.9)
Proceeds from sale of product rights			410.0				
Purchase of product rights					(308.3)		(24.1)
Purchases of in-process research and d	•		(560.0)		(95.0)		(57.1)
Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash a	cquired (Note 3)		(5,283.1)		(551.4)		(43.7)
Other investing activities, net	•		(133.6)		(24.5)		(97.4)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Investing	g Activities		26.8		(3,909.1)		(2,072.8)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities							
Dividends paid			(2,127.3)		(2,101.2)		(2,120.7)
Net change in short-term borrowings			(2,680.6)		2,680.6		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term de	bt		4,454.7		992.9		
Repayments of long-term debt			(1,955.7)		(1,034.8)		(10.5)
Purchases of common stock			(749.5)		(800.0)		(1,698.1)
Other financing activities, net			139.2		187.4	_	(2,020,2)
Net Cash Used for Financing Activities	d aaab aawiyalaata		(2,919.2)		(75.1)		(3,829.3)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash an	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		(85.6)		(341.5)		(21.5)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash ed	•		(205.2)		41.4		(188.6)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of y		÷	3,871.6	<u> </u>	3,830.2	<i>*</i>	4,018.8
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Yea	ır	\$	3,666.4	\$	3,871.6	\$	3,830.2

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Tables present dollars in millions, except per-share data)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The accounts of all wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements. Where our ownership of consolidated subsidiaries is less than 100 percent, the noncontrolling shareholders' interests are reflected as a separate component of equity. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and related disclosures at the date of the financial statements and during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. We issued our financial statements by filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission and have evaluated subsequent events up to the time of the filing.

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior periods in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes to conform with the current presentation.

All per-share amounts, unless otherwise noted in the footnotes, are presented on a diluted basis, that is, based on the weighted-average number of outstanding common shares plus the effect of incremental shares from our stock-based compensation programs.

Revenue recognition

We recognize revenue from sales of products at the time title of goods passes to the buyer and the buyer assumes the risks and rewards of ownership. Provisions for returns, discounts, and rebates are established in the same period the related sales are recognized.

In arrangements involving the delivery of more than one element (e.g., research and development), marketing and selling, manufacturing, and distribution), each required deliverable is evaluated to determine whether it qualifies as a separate unit of accounting. Our determination is based on whether the deliverable has "standalone value" to the customer. If a deliverable does not qualify as a separate unit of accounting, it is combined with the other applicable undelivered item(s) within the arrangement and these combined deliverables are treated as a single unit of accounting. The arrangement's consideration that is fixed or determinable is then allocated to each separate unit of accounting based on the relative selling price of each deliverable.

Initial fees we receive in collaborative and other similar arrangements from the partnering of our compounds under development are generally deferred and amortized into income through the expected product approval date. Initial fees may also be received for out-licensing agreements that include both an out-license of our marketing rights to commercialized products and a related commitment to supply the products. When we have determined that the marketing rights do not have standalone value, the initial fees received are generally deferred and amortized to income as net product sales over the term of the supply agreement.

Royalty revenue from licensees, which is based on third-party sales of licensed products and technology, is recorded as earned in accordance with the contract terms when third-party sales can be reasonably measured and collection of the funds is reasonably assured. This royalty revenue is included in collaboration and other revenue.

Profit-sharing due from our collaboration partners, which is based upon gross margins reported to us by our partners, is recognized as collaboration and other revenue as earned.

Developmental milestone payments earned by us are generally recorded in other-net, (income) expense. We immediately recognize the full amount of developmental milestone payments due to us upon the achievement of the milestone event if the event is objectively determinable and the milestone is substantive in its entirety. A milestone is considered substantive if the consideration earned 1) relates solely to past performance, 2) is

commensurate with the enhancement in the pharmaceutical or animal health product's value associated with the achievement of the important event in its development life cycle, and 3) is reasonable relative to all of the deliverables and payment terms within the arrangement. If a milestone payment to us is part of a multipleelement commercialization arrangement and is triggered by the initiation of the commercialization period (e.g., regulatory approval for marketing or launch of the product) or the achievement of a sales-based threshold, we amortize the payment to income as we perform under the terms of the arrangement. See Note 4 for specific agreement details.

Research and development expenses and acquired in-process research and development

Research and development expenses include the following:

- Research and development costs, which are expensed as incurred.
- Milestone payment obligations incurred prior to regulatory approval of the product, which are accrued when the event requiring payment of the milestone occurs.

Acquired in-process research and development (IPR&D) expense includes the initial costs of IPR&D projects, acquired directly in a transaction other than a business combination, that do not have an alternative future use.

Earnings per share

We calculate basic earnings per share (EPS) based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding and incremental shares from potential participating securities. We calculate diluted EPS based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding, including incremental shares from our stock-based compensation programs.

Foreign Currency Translation

Operations in our subsidiaries outside the United States (U.S.) are recorded in the functional currency of each subsidiary which is determined by a review of the environment where each subsidiary primarily generates and expends cash. The results of operations for our subsidiaries outside the U.S. are translated from functional currencies into U.S. dollars using the weighted average currency rate for the period. Assets and liabilities are translated using the period end exchange rates. The U.S. dollar effects that arise from translating the net assets of these subsidiaries are recorded in other comprehensive income (loss).

Other significant accounting policies

Our other significant accounting policies are described in the remaining appropriate notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Note 2: Implementation of New Financial Accounting Pronouncements

The following table provides a brief description of accounting standards that have not yet been adopted that could have a material effect on our financial statements:

Standard	Description	Effective Date	Effect on the financial statements or other significant matters
Accounting Standards Update 2014-09, <i>Revenue</i> from Contracts with Customers	This standard will replace existing revenue recognition standards and will require entities to recognize revenues to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. An entity can apply the new revenue standard retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented or with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognized at the date of initial application in retained earnings.	This standard is effective January 1, 2018, but we are permitted to adopt this standard one year earlier if we choose. We are evaluating our anticipated date of adoption.	There are areas within the standard that are currently under review and reconsideration by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, including accounting for licensing transactions, which could lead to updates to the standard. As the outcomes of this review and reconsideration could lead to significant changes to the standard, we are still in the process of determining our approach to the adoption of the standard, as well as the anticipated impact to our consolidated financial statements.
Accounting Standards Update 2016-01, <i>Financial</i> <i>Instruments</i> - Overall: <i>Recognition and</i> <i>Measurement of</i> <i>Financial Assets and</i> <i>Financial Liabilities</i>	This standard will require entities to recognize changes in the fair value of equity investments with readily determinable fair values in net income (except for investments accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of the investee). An entity should apply the new standard through a cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption.	This standard is effective January 1, 2018. Early adoption of the majority of the amendments in this standard is not permitted, however, early application of certain amendments is permitted. We intend to fully adopt this standard on January 1, 2018.	We are currently unable to estimate the impact of adopting this standard as the significance of the impact will depend upon our equity investments on hand as of the date of adoption.

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The following table provides a brief description of an accounting standard that has been adopted:

Standard	Description	Effective Date	Effect on the financial statements or other significant matters
Accounting Standards Update 2015-17, <i>Income</i> <i>Taxes: Balance Sheet</i> <i>Classification of</i> <i>Deferred Taxes</i>	This standard simplifies the presentation of deferred income taxes and requires that deferred tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. An entity can apply this new standard either prospectively to all deferred tax liabilities and assets or retrospectively to all periods presented.	We have adopted this standard for the annual period beginning on January 1, 2015.	We applied this standard retrospectively. As a result of adopting this standard, all deferred tax liabilities and assets have been classified as noncurrent. The balance sheet as of December 31, 2014 was retrospectively adjusted which resulted in reductions to prepaid expenses and other of \$251.5 million, sundry of \$584.2 million, and deferred income tax liabilities of \$1.47 billion. Other noncurrent liabilities as of December 31, 2014 were increased by \$630.8 million as a result of the adoption of this standard.

Note 3: Acquisitions

During 2015 and 2014, we completed the acquisitions of Novartis Animal Health (Novartis AH) and Lohmann SE (Lohmann AH), respectively. Additionally, on October 1, 2015, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company and E.R. Squibb (collectively, BMS) transferred to us their commercialization rights with respect to Erbitux[®] in the U.S. and Canada (collectively, North America) through a modification of our existing arrangement. These transactions were accounted for as business combinations under the acquisition method of accounting. See Note 4 for additional information related to the Erbitux arrangement. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at their respective fair values as of the acquisition date in our consolidated financial statements. The determination of estimated fair value required management to make significant estimates and assumptions. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the acquisitions are included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

In addition to the acquisitions of businesses, we also acquired assets in development in 2015, 2014, and 2013 which are further discussed below in Product and Other Acquisitions and in Note 4. Upon acquisition, the acquired IPR&D related to these products was immediately written off as an expense because the products had no alternative future use. For the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, we recorded acquired IPR&D charges of \$535.0 million, \$200.2 million, and \$57.1 million, respectively. The charges were associated with the transactions discussed below in Product and Other Acquisitions, the 2015 upfront fee of \$200.0 million related to tanezumab, and the 2014 charge of \$55.2 million related to the transfer to us of Boehringer Ingelheim's rights to co-promote our new insulin glargine product in countries where it was not yet approved. See Note 4 for additional information related to the tanezumab and Boehringer Ingelheim arrangements.

Acquisitions of Businesses

Novartis AH Acquisition

Overview of Transaction

On January 1, 2015, we acquired from Novartis AG all of the shares of certain Novartis subsidiaries and all of the assets and liabilities of other Novartis subsidiaries that are exclusively related to the Novartis AH business in an all-cash transaction for a total purchase price of \$5.28 billion. As of December 31, 2014, there was \$5.41 billion of cash held in escrow for the pending acquisition of Novartis AH. This cash was classified as restricted cash, a noncurrent asset, on our consolidated balance sheet.

As a condition to the clearance of the transaction under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act, following the closing of the acquisition of Novartis AH, we divested certain animal health assets in the U.S. related to the Sentinel[®] canine parasiticide franchise to Virbac Corporation for approximately \$410 million.

The acquired Novartis AH business consists of the research and development, manufacture, marketing, sale and distribution of veterinary products to prevent and treat diseases in pets, farm animals, and farmed fish. Under the terms of the agreement, we acquired manufacturing sites, research and development facilities, a global commercial infrastructure and portfolio of products, a pipeline of projects in development, and employees.

Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed

The following table summarizes the amounts recognized for assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date:

Inventories	\$ 380.2
Acquired in-process research and development	298.0
Marketed products ⁽¹⁾	1,953.0
Property and equipment	199.9
Assets held for sale (primarily the U.S. Sentinel rights)	422.7
Accrued retirement benefits	(108.7)
Deferred income taxes	(60.1)
Other assets and liabilities - net	(73.0)
Total identifiable net assets	3,012.0
Goodwill ⁽²⁾	2,271.1
Total consideration transferred - net of cash acquired	\$ 5,283.1

Estimated Fair Value at January 1, 2015

⁽¹⁾ These intangible assets, which will be amortized to cost of sales on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, are expected to have a weighted average useful life of 19 years.

⁽²⁾ The goodwill recognized from this acquisition is attributable primarily to expected synergies that we believe will result from combining the operations of Novartis AH with our legacy animal health business, future unidentified projects and products, and the assembled workforce of Novartis AH. Approximately \$950 million of the goodwill associated with this acquisition is estimated to be deductible for tax purposes.

Actual and Supplemental Pro Forma Information

Our consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2015 includes Novartis AH revenue of \$1.02 billion. Novartis AH has been partially integrated into our animal health segment and as a result of these integration efforts, certain parts of the animal health business are operating on a combined basis, and we cannot distinguish the operations between Novartis AH and our legacy animal health business.

The following unaudited pro forma financial information presents the combined consolidated results of our operations with Novartis AH as if the portion of Novartis AH that we retained after the sale to Virbac had been acquired as of January 1, 2014. We have adjusted the historical consolidated financial information to give effect to pro forma events that are directly attributable to the acquisition. The unaudited pro forma financial information is not necessarily indicative of what our consolidated results of operations would have been had we completed the acquisition at the beginning of 2014. In addition, the unaudited pro forma financial information does not attempt to project the future results of operations of our combined company.

	U	Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Results					
	2015			2014			
Revenue	\$	19,958.7	\$	20,696.7			
Net income		2,518.1		2,127.9			
Diluted earnings per share		2.36		1.98			

The unaudited pro forma financial information above reflects primarily the following pro forma pretax adjustments:

- Additional amortization expense of approximately \$104 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, related to the fair value of identifiable intangible assets acquired.
- Additional cost of sales in 2014, and a corresponding reduction in cost of sales in 2015, of approximately \$153 million related to the fair value adjustments to acquisition date inventory that has been sold in the year ended December 31, 2015.
- A decrease to pro forma net income of approximately \$112 million in the year ended December 31, 2014, associated with an increase to interest expense related to the incremental debt that we issued to partially finance the acquisition and a reduction of interest income associated with investments which would have been used to partially fund the acquisition.

In addition, all of the above adjustments were adjusted for the applicable tax impact. The taxes associated with the adjustments above reflect the statutory tax rates in the various jurisdictions where the fair value adjustments occurred.

Lohmann AH Acquisition

On April 30, 2014, we acquired Lohmann AH, a privately-held company headquartered in Cuxhaven, Germany, through a stock purchase for a total purchase price of \$591.2 million, comprised of \$551.4 million of net cash plus \$39.8 million of assumed debt. Lohmann AH was a global leader in poultry vaccines. As part of this transaction, we acquired the rights to a range of vaccines, commercial capabilities, and manufacturing sites in Germany and the U.S. The acquisition was not material to our consolidated financial statements.

The following table summarizes the amounts recognized for assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date:

Estimated Fair Value at April 30, 2014

Marketed products	\$ 275.4
Other intangible assets	23.9
Property and equipment	81.9
Deferred income taxes	(92.7)
Other assets and liabilities - net	 51.1
Total identifiable net assets	 339.6
Goodwill ⁽¹⁾	 251.6
Total consideration transferred - net of cash acquired	\$ 591.2

⁽¹⁾ Goodwill associated with this acquisition is not deductible for tax purposes.

Product and Other Acquisitions

The following table summarizes our product and other acquisitions which are discussed in detail below:

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Counterparty	Compound(s) or Therapy	Acquisition Month	Phase of Development ⁽¹⁾	Acquired IPR&D Expense
Innovent Dialogica, Inc.	Monoclonal antibody targeting protein CD-20	March		
Innovent Biologics, Inc. (Innovent)	Immuno-oncology molecule	2015	Pre-clinical ⁽²⁾	\$ 56.0
	cMet monoclonal antibody			
Hanmi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Hanmi)	BTK Inhibitor - HM71224	April 2015	Phase I	50.0
BioNTech AG (BioNTech)	Cancer immunotherapies	May 2015	Pre-clinical	30.0
Locemia Solutions	Intranasal glucagon	October 2015	Phase III	149.0
Undisclosed	Technology collaboration	December 2015	N/A	25.0
Halozyme Therapeutics, Inc. (Halozyme)	Recombinant human hyaluronidase enzyme - rHuPH20	December 2015	N/A	25.0
Immunocore Limited (Immunocore)	T cell-based cancer therapies	July 2014	Pre-clinical	45.0
AstraZeneca UK Limited (AstraZeneca)	Oral beta-secretase cleaving enzyme inhibitor - AZD3293	September 2014	Phase I	50.0
Adocia	BioChaperone Lispro	December 2014	Phase I	50.0
Arteaus Therapeutics	Calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) monoclonal antibody	December 2013	Phase II	57.1

⁽¹⁾ The phase of development presented is as of the date of the arrangement.

⁽²⁾ Prior to acquisition, Innovent's monoclonal antibody targeting protein CD-20 had received investigational new drug approval in China to begin Phase I development.

In connection with the arrangements described herein, our partners may be entitled to future royalties based on sales should these products be approved for commercialization and/or milestones based on the successful progress of the drug candidate through the development process.

Our collaboration agreement with Innovent is to develop and commercialize a portfolio of cancer treatments. In China, we will be responsible for the commercialization efforts, while Innovent will lead the development and manufacturing efforts. Innovent also has co-promotion rights in China. We will be responsible for development, manufacturing, and commercialization efforts of Innovent's pre-clinical immuno-oncology molecules outside of China. Separate from the collaboration, we will continue the development of our cMet monoclonal antibody gene outside of China.

Our collaboration agreement with Hanmi is to develop and commercialize Hanmi's compound being investigated for the treatment of autoimmune and other diseases. We received rights to the molecule for all indications on a worldwide basis excluding China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Korea. We will be responsible for leading development, regulatory, manufacturing, and commercial efforts in our territories.

Our research collaboration with BioNTech is to discover novel cancer immunotherapies.

Our global collaboration and license agreement with Halozyme is to develop and commercialize products combining our proprietary compounds with Halozyme's ENHANZE[™] platform to aid in the dispersion and absorption of other injected therapeutic drugs.

Our co-discovery and co-development collaboration with Immunocore is to research and potentially develop pre-clinical novel T cell-based cancer therapies.

Our collaboration agreement with AstraZeneca is for the worldwide co-development and co-commercialization of AstraZeneca's molecule being investigated for the potential treatment of Alzheimer's disease. We are responsible for leading development efforts, while AstraZeneca will be responsible for manufacturing efforts. If successful, both parties will take joint responsibility for commercialization of AZD3293. Under the agreement, both parties will share equally in the ongoing development costs, gross margins, and certain other costs associated with commercialization of the molecule.

Our collaboration agreement with Adocia is for the worldwide development and commercialization of Adocia's ultra-rapid insulin, a molecule being developed for the treatment of patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes. We will be responsible for leading development, manufacturing, and commercialization efforts.

We acquired all development and commercial rights from Arteaus Therapeutics for a CGRP antibody being studied as a potential treatment for the treatment of cluster headache and migraine prevention.

Note 4: Collaborations and Other Arrangements

We often enter into collaborative and other similar arrangements to develop and commercialize drug candidates. Collaborative activities may include research and development, marketing and selling (including promotional activities and physician detailing), manufacturing, and distribution. These arrangements often require milestone and royalty or profit-share payments, contingent upon the occurrence of certain future events linked to the success of the asset in development, as well as expense reimbursements or payments to the collaboration partner. Elements within a collaboration are separated into individual units of accounting if they have standalone value from other elements within the arrangement. In these situations, the arrangement consideration is allocated to the elements on a relative selling price basis. Revenues related to products we sell pursuant to these arrangements are included in net product revenues, while other sources of revenue (e.g., royalties and profit sharing due from our partner) are included in collaboration and other revenue.

The following table summarizes our collaboration and other revenue recognized:

	 2015	2014	2013
Collaboration and other revenue	\$ 808.1	\$ 788.4	\$ 707.5

Operating expenses for costs incurred pursuant to these arrangements are reported in their respective expense line items, net of any payments due to or reimbursements due from our collaboration partners, with such reimbursements being recognized at the time the party becomes obligated to pay. Each collaboration is unique in nature, and our more significant arrangements are discussed below.

Boehringer Ingelheim Diabetes Collaboration

We and Boehringer Ingelheim have a global agreement to jointly develop and commercialize a portfolio of diabetes compounds. Currently, included in the collaboration are Boehringer Ingelheim's oral diabetes products: Trajenta[®], Jentadueto[®], Jardiance[®], Glyxambi[®], and Synjardy[®], as well as our Basaglar[®].

The table below summarizes significant regulatory and commercialization events and milestones (received) paid for the compounds included in this collaboration:

Product	Product Status			Milestones (Earned) Expensed ⁽¹⁾			Milestones (Deferred) Capitalized ⁽²⁾		
Family	U.S.	Europe	Japan	Year	Amount		Year	A	Mount
				2015	\$	_	2015	\$	
Trajenta ⁽³⁾	Launched 2011	Launched 2011	Launched 2011	2014			2014		_
				2013		_	2013		_
							Cumulative ⁽⁶⁾		446.4
Jardiance ⁽⁴⁾	Launched 2014	Launched 2014	Launched 2015	2015		_	2015		
				2014			2014		299.5
				2013		97.2	2013		_
							Cumulative ⁽⁶⁾		299.5
Basaglar	Approved ⁽⁵⁾	Launched 2015	Launched 2015	2015		_	2015		
				2014			2014		(62.5)
				2013		(50.0)	2013		_
						-	Cumulative ⁽⁶⁾		(62.5)

⁽¹⁾ Milestones earned for Basaglar as a result of regulatory submissions were recorded as income in other-net, (income) expense. Milestones expensed for Jardiance as a result of regulatory submissions were recorded as research and development expenses.

- (2) In connection with the regulatory approvals of Basaglar in Europe and Japan, milestone payments received were recorded as deferred revenue and are being amortized through the term of the collaboration (2029) to collaboration and other revenue. In connection with the regulatory approvals of Trajenta and Jardiance, milestone payments made were capitalized as intangible assets and are being amortized through the term of the collaboration to cost of sales.
- ⁽³⁾ Jentadueto is included in the Trajenta family of product results.
- ⁽⁴⁾ Glyxambi and Synjardy are included in the Jardiance family of product results.
- ⁽⁵⁾ In September 2015, we entered into a settlement agreement to resolve patent infringement litigation filed by Sanofi-Aventis U.S. LLC (Sanofi), which markets Lantus[®] (insulin glargine). As part of the settlement agreement, the parties agreed that Basaglar can be launched in the U.S. beginning on December 15, 2016. Basaglar received U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval in December 2015. As a result of receiving FDA approval, we received \$187.5 million in 2016, which was recorded as deferred revenue and will be amortized through the term of the collaboration to collaboration and other revenue upon product launch.
- ⁽⁶⁾ The cumulative amount represents the total amounts as of the end of the reporting period that have been (deferred) or capitalized since the start of this collaboration.

In October 2014, we and Boehringer Ingelheim agreed upon certain changes to the operational and financial structure of our diabetes collaboration. Under the revised agreement the companies have continued their copromotion work in 17 countries, representing over 90 percent of the collaboration's anticipated market opportunity. In the other countries, the companies exclusively commercialize the respective molecules they brought to the collaboration. The modifications became effective at the end of 2014 and changed the financial terms related to the modified countries; however, the financial impact resulting from the revised terms of the agreement in these countries has not been and is not anticipated to be material. As a result of these changes, we recorded a gain of \$92.0 million in 2014 related to the transfer to Boehringer Ingelheim of our license rights to co-promote linagliptin and empagliflozin in these countries, which was recorded as income in other– net, (income) expense. We also incurred a charge of \$55.2 million related to the transfer to us of Boehringer Ingelheim's rights to co-promote Basaglar in countries where it was not yet approved, which was recorded as acquired IPR&D expense. With the exception of the countries affected by the amendment to the collaboration agreement, the companies share equally the ongoing development costs, commercialization costs and gross margin for any product resulting from the collaboration. We record our portion of the gross margin associated with Boehringer Ingelheim's compounds as collaboration and other revenue. We record our sales of Basaglar to third parties as net product revenues with the payments made to Boehringer Ingelheim for their portion of the gross margin recorded as cost of sales. For all compounds under this collaboration, we record our portion of the commercialization costs as marketing, selling, and administrative expense. Each company will also be entitled to potential performance payments on sales of the molecules they contribute to the collaboration.

The following table summarizes our revenue recognized with respect to the Trajenta family of products:

	2015	2014	 2013
Collaboration and other revenue	\$ 356.8	\$ 328.8	\$ 249.2

Our revenues related to the Jardiance family of products were not significant for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. Our revenues related to Basaglar were not significant for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Erbitux

We have several collaborations with respect to Erbitux. The most significant collaborations are in Japan, and prior to the transfer of commercialization rights in the fourth quarter of 2015, the U.S. and Canada (Bristol-Myers Squibb Company); and worldwide except North America (Merck KGaA). Certain rights to Erbitux outside North America will remain with Merck KGaA (Merck) upon expiration of that agreement.

The following table summarizes our revenue recognized with respect to Erbitux:

	2	2015	2014	2013
Net product revenues - BMS	\$	23.3 \$	46.1	\$ 58.5
Net product revenues - third party	1	52.3	—	_
Collaboration and other revenue	3	09.4	327.2	315.2
Revenue	\$ 4	85.0 \$	373.3	\$ 373.7

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

Pursuant to commercial agreements with BMS, we had been co-developing Erbitux in North America with BMS exclusively. A separate agreement grants co-exclusive rights among Merck, BMS, and us in Japan and expires in 2032. On October 1, 2015, BMS transferred their commercialization rights to us with respect to Erbitux in North America pursuant to a modification of our existing arrangement, and we began selling Erbitux at that time. This modification did not affect our rights with respect to Erbitux in other jurisdictions. In connection with the modification of terms, we will provide consideration to BMS based upon a tiered percentage of net sales of Erbitux in North America estimated to average 38 percent through September 2018. The transfer of the commercialization rights was accounted for as an acquisition of a business.

The following table summarizes the preliminary amounts recognized for assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date:

Estimated Fair Value at October 1, 2015

Marketed products ⁽¹⁾	\$ 602.1
Deferred tax asset	232.2
Deferred tax liability	(228.2)
Other assets and liabilities - net	57.2
Total identifiable net assets	\$ 663.3
Total consideration - contingent consideration liability ⁽²⁾	\$ (663.3)

⁽¹⁾ These intangible assets will be amortized to cost of sales using the straight-line method through the co-development period in North America as set forth in the original agreement, which was scheduled to expire in September 2018.

⁽²⁾ See Note 7 for discussion on the estimation of the contingent consideration liability.

The final determination of these amounts will be completed as soon as possible but no later than one year from the acquisition date and may result in asset and liability fair values that differ from preliminary estimates, but it is not expected that these differences will be material to our consolidated financial statements.

Including the Erbitux business as if we had acquired it on January 1, 2015, our combined consolidated unaudited pro forma revenue would have been approximately \$20.2 billion for the year ended December 31, 2015. This unaudited pro forma financial information adjusts the historical consolidated revenue to give effect to pro forma events that are directly attributable to the acquisition. There would have been no material change to our historical consolidated net income. The unaudited pro forma financial information is not necessarily indicative of what our consolidated revenues would have been had we completed the acquisition at the beginning of 2015. In addition, the unaudited pro forma financial information does not attempt to project the future results of operations of our combined company.

Until the effective date of the transfer of the business, the arrangements between us and BMS were as set forth in this paragraph. Erbitux research and development and other costs were shared by both companies according to a predetermined ratio. Responsibilities associated with clinical and other ongoing studies were apportioned between the parties under the agreements. Collaborative reimbursements due to us for supply of clinical trial materials, for research and development, and for a portion of marketing, selling, and administrative expenses were recorded as a reduction to the respective expense line items on the consolidated statement of operations. We received a distribution fee in the form of a royalty from BMS, based on a percentage of net sales in North America, which was recorded in collaboration and other revenue. Royalties due to third parties were recorded as a reduction of collaboration and other revenue, net of any royalty reimbursements due from third parties. We were responsible for the manufacture and supply of all requirements of Erbitux in bulk-form active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) for clinical and commercial use in North America, and BMS purchased all of its requirements of API from us, subject to certain stipulations per the agreement. Sales of Erbitux API to BMS were reported in net product revenues.

Merck KGaA

A development and license agreement grants Merck exclusive rights to market Erbitux outside of North America until December 2018. A separate agreement grants co-exclusive rights among Merck, BMS, and us in Japan and expires in 2032. This agreement was amended in 2015 to grant Merck exclusive commercialization rights in Japan but did not result in any changes to our rights.

Merck manufactures Erbitux for supply in its territory as well as for Japan. We receive a royalty on the sales of Erbitux outside of North America, which is included in collaboration and other revenue as earned. Royalties due to third parties are recorded as a reduction of collaboration and other revenue, net of any royalty reimbursements due from third parties.

Effient®

We are in a collaborative arrangement with Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd. (Daiichi Sankyo) to develop, market, and promote Effient. Marketing rights for major territories are shown below. We and Daiichi Sankyo each have exclusive marketing rights in certain other territories.

Territory	Marketing Rights	Selling Party
U.S.	Co-promotion	Lilly
Major European markets	Co-promotion	Pre-January 1, 2016, Lilly Post-January 1, 2016, Daiichi Sankyo
Japan	Exclusive	Daiichi Sankyo

Beginning January 1, 2016, while major European markets continue to be a co-promotion territory under the terms of our arrangement, Daiichi Sankyo exclusively promotes Effient in these markets. The economic results for the major European markets continue to be shared in the same proportion as they were previously.

The parties share approximately 50/50 in the profits, as well as in the costs of development and marketing in the co-promotion territories. A third party manufactures bulk product, and we continue to produce the finished product for our exclusive and co-promotion territories, as well as the major European markets.

We record net product revenue in our exclusive and co-promotion territories where we are the selling party. Profit-share payments due to Daiichi Sankyo for co-promotion countries where we are the selling party are recorded as marketing, selling, and administrative expenses. Beginning January 1, 2016, any profit-share payments due to us from Daiichi Sankyo for the major European markets will be recorded as collaboration and other revenue. We also record our share of the expenses in these co-promotion territories as marketing, selling, and administrative expenses. In our exclusive territories, we pay Daiichi Sankyo a royalty specific to these territories. All royalties due to Daiichi Sankyo and the third-party manufacturer are recorded in cost of sales.

The following table summarizes our revenue recognized with respect to Effient:

	 2015	2014	2013
Revenue	\$ 523.0	\$ 522.2	\$ 508.7

Baricitinib

We have a worldwide license and collaboration agreement with Incyte Corporation (Incyte) which provides us the development and commercialization rights to its Janus tyrosine kinase inhibitor compound, now known as baricitinib, and certain follow-on compounds, for the treatment of inflammatory and autoimmune diseases. Incyte has the right to receive tiered, double-digit royalty payments on future global sales with rates ranging up to 20 percent if the product is successfully commercialized. The agreement provides Incyte with options to co-develop these compounds on an indication-by-indication basis by funding 30 percent of the associated development costs from the initiation of a Phase IIb trial through regulatory approval in exchange for increased tiered royalties ranging up to percentages in the high twenties. In 2010, Incyte exercised its option to co-develop baricitinib in rheumatoid arthritis. The agreement also provides Incyte with an option to copromote in the U.S. and calls for us to make payments to Incyte associated with certain development, success-based regulatory, and sales-based milestones. In 2016, we incurred milestone-related expenses of \$55.0 million in connection with regulatory submissions in the U.S. and Europe. These regulatory submission milestones will be recorded as research and development expenses in 2016. In the future, Incyte will be eligible to receive up to \$360.0 million of additional payments from us contingent upon certain development and success-based regulatory milestones as well as an additional \$150.0 million of potential sales-based milestones.

Solanezumab

We have an agreement with an affiliate of TPG-Axon Capital (TPG) whereby TPG funded a portion of the Phase III development of solanezumab. Under the agreement, TPG's obligation to fund solanezumab costs ended in 2011. In exchange for its funding, TPG may receive success-based sales milestones totaling approximately \$70 million and mid-single digit royalties contingent upon the successful development of solanezumab. The royalties would be paid for approximately 10 years after launch of a product.

Tanezumab

In October 2013, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Pfizer Inc. (Pfizer) to jointly develop and globally commercialize tanezumab for the treatment of osteoarthritis pain, chronic low back pain and cancer pain. Under the agreement, the companies share equally the ongoing development costs and, if successful, in gross margins and certain commercialization expenses. Following the FDA's decision in March 2015 to lift the partial clinical hold on tanezumab, certain Phase III trials resumed in July 2015. Upon the FDA's lifting of the partial clinical hold and the decision to continue the collaboration with Pfizer, we paid an upfront fee of \$200.0 million which was expensed as acquired IPR&D. In addition to this fee, we may pay up to \$350.0 million in success-based regulatory milestones and up to \$1.23 billion in a series of sales-based milestones, contingent upon the commercial success of tanezumab. Both parties have the right to terminate the agreement under certain circumstances.

Exenatide

In November 2011, we agreed with Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Amylin) to terminate our collaborative arrangement for the joint development, marketing, and selling of Byetta[®] (exenatide injection) and other forms

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of exenatide such as Bydureon[®] (exenatide extended-release for injectable suspension). Under the terms of the termination agreement, Amylin made a one-time, upfront payment to us of \$250.0 million and agreed to make other payments. Upon completion of the acquisition of Amylin by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in August 2012, Amylin's obligation of \$1.26 billion was paid in full. We would also receive a \$150.0 million milestone payment contingent upon FDA approval of a once-monthly suspension version of exenatide.

Commercial operations were transferred to Amylin in the U.S. in late 2011. Outside the U.S., we transferred to Amylin exenatide commercial rights and control in all markets during the first quarter of 2013. All income allocated to the business outside the U.S. that was transferred during the first quarter of 2013 was recognized as a gain on the disposition of a business in other–net, (income) expense, net of the goodwill allocated to the business transferred.

Under the terms of our prior arrangement, we reported as net product revenues 100 percent of sales outside the U.S. We paid Amylin a percentage of the gross margin of exenatide sales outside of the U.S., and these costs were recorded in cost of sales. This arrangement for the commercial operations outside the U.S. continued until those rights were transferred to Amylin during the first quarter of 2013.

The following table summarizes the revenue and other income recognized with respect to exenatide for the year ended December 31, 2013:

	 2013
Revenue	\$ 133.1
Income related to termination of the exenatide collaboration with Amylin ⁽¹⁾	495.4

⁽¹⁾ Presented in other-net, (income) expense.

Our revenue from exenatide was not significant in 2014. We have not recorded any additional revenue from exenatide in 2015 and will not do so in future periods.

Summary of Commission and Profit-Share Payments

The following table summarizes our aggregate amount of marketing, selling, and administrative expense associated with our commission and profit-sharing obligations for the collaborations and other arrangements described above:

	2015	2014	2013
Marketing, selling, and administrative	\$ 213.2	\$ 211.2	\$ 203.7

Note 5: Asset Impairment, Restructuring, and Other Special Charges

The components of the charges included in asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges in our consolidated statements of operations are described below.

	2015	2014	2013
Severance:			
Human pharmaceutical products	\$ 81.5	\$ 225.5	\$ 90.6
Animal health	 59.5		
Total severance	 141.0	225.5	90.6
Asset impairment and other special charges:			
Human pharmaceutical products	24.6	204.4	30.0
Animal health	 202.1	38.8	
Total asset impairment and other special charges	226.7	243.2	30.0
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges	\$ 367.7	\$ 468.7	\$ 120.6

Severance costs recognized during the year ended December 31, 2015 resulted primarily from actions taken to reduce our cost structure and the integration of Novartis AH. Severance costs recognized during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 related to ongoing cost containment efforts as we continued our initiatives to reduce our cost structure and global workforce. Substantially all of the severance costs incurred during the years ended December 31, 2015 are expected to be paid by the end of 2016, and substantially all of the severance costs incurred during the years ended December 31, 2015 are expected to be paid by the end of 2016, and substantially all of the severance costs incurred during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 have been paid.

Asset impairment and other special charges recognized during year ended December 31, 2015 resulted primarily from integration costs and asset impairments due to product rationalization and site closures resulting from our acquisition and integration of Novartis AH.

Asset impairment and other special charges recognized during the year ended December 31, 2014 resulted primarily from a \$180.8 million asset impairment charge related to our decision to close and sell a manufacturing plant located in Puerto Rico. The manufacturing plant was written down to its estimated fair value, which was based primarily on recent sales of similar assets.

Asset impairment and other special charges recognized during the year ended December 31, 2013 resulted from costs associated with the closure of a packaging and distribution facility in Germany.

In January 2016, we approved a plan to close an animal health manufacturing plant located in Ireland. As a result of this action, we expect to record charges of approximately \$100 million in our animal health business segment during the first quarter of 2016.

Note 6: Inventories

We state all inventories at the lower of cost or market. We use the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method for the majority of our inventories located in the continental U.S. Other inventories are valued by the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. FIFO cost approximates current replacement cost.

Inventories at December 31 consisted of the following:

	2015	2014
Finished products	\$ 1,053.4	\$ 838.0
Work in process	2,058.1	1,715.4
Raw materials and supplies	 403.0	315.0
Total (approximates replacement cost)	 3,514.5	2,868.4
Reduction to LIFO cost	 (68.7)	(128.4)
Inventories	\$ 3,445.8	\$ 2,740.0

Inventories valued under the LIFO method comprised \$1.30 billion and \$1.09 billion of total inventories at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Note 7: Financial Instruments

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to credit risk consist principally of trade receivables and interest-bearing investments. Wholesale distributors of life-science products account for a substantial portion of trade receivables; collateral is generally not required. The risk associated with this concentration is mitigated by our ongoing credit-review procedures and insurance. A large portion of our cash is held by a few major financial institutions. We monitor our exposures with these institutions and do not expect any of these institutions to fail to meet their obligations. Major financial institutions represent the largest component of our investments in corporate debt securities. In accordance with documented corporate policies, we monitor the amount of credit exposure to any one financial institution or corporate issuer. We are exposed to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to risk-management instruments but do not expect any counterparties to fail to meet their obligations given their high credit ratings.

We consider all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less from the date of purchase to be cash equivalents. The cost of these investments approximates fair value.

Substantially all of our investments in debt and marketable equity securities are classified as available-forsale. Investment securities with maturity dates of less than one year from the date of the balance sheet are classified as short-term. Available-for-sale securities are carried at fair value with the unrealized gains and losses, net of tax, reported in other comprehensive income (loss). The credit portion of unrealized losses on our debt securities considered to be other-than-temporary is recognized in earnings. The remaining portion of the other-than-temporary impairment on our debt securities is then recorded, net of tax, in other comprehensive income (loss). The entire amount of other-than-temporary impairment on our equity securities is recognized in earnings. We do not evaluate cost-method investments for impairment unless there is an indicator of impairment. We review these investments for indicators of impairment on a regular basis. Investments in companies over which we have significant influence but not a controlling interest are accounted for using the equity method with our share of earnings or losses reported in other-net, (income) expense. We own no investments that are considered to be trading securities.

Our derivative activities are initiated within the guidelines of documented corporate risk-management policies and offset losses and gains on the assets, liabilities, and transactions being hedged. Management reviews the correlation and effectiveness of our derivatives on a quarterly basis.

For derivative contracts that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges, the derivative instrument is marked to market with gains and losses recognized currently in income to offset the respective losses and gains recognized on the underlying exposure. For derivative contracts that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges, the effective portion of gains and losses on these contracts is reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss and reclassified into earnings in the same period the hedged transaction affects earnings. Hedge ineffectiveness is immediately recognized in earnings. Derivative contracts that are not designated as hedging instruments are recorded at fair value with the gain or loss recognized in current earnings during the period of change.

We may enter into foreign currency forward or option contracts to reduce the effect of fluctuating currency exchange rates (principally the euro, the British pound, and the Japanese yen). Foreign currency derivatives used for hedging are put in place using the same or like currencies and duration as the underlying exposures. Forward and option contracts are principally used to manage exposures arising from subsidiary trade and loan payables and receivables denominated in foreign currencies. These contracts are recorded at fair value with the gain or loss recognized in other–net, (income) expense. We may enter into foreign currency forward and option contracts and currency swaps as fair value hedges of firm commitments. Forward contracts generally have maturities not exceeding 12 months. At December 31, 2015, we had outstanding foreign currency forward commitments to purchase 1.17 billion U.S. dollars and sell 1.06 billion euro; commitments to purchase 1.85 billion euro; commitments to purchase 561.7 million U.S. dollars and sell 67.78 billion Japanese yen, which will all settle within 30 days.

Foreign currency exchange risk is also managed through the use of foreign currency debt. Our eurodenominated notes issued in June 2015 and discussed in Note 10, which had a carrying amount of \$2.27 billion as of December 31, 2015, have been designated as, and are effective as, economic hedges of net investments in certain of our euro-denominated foreign operations. Accordingly, foreign currency translation gains or losses due to spot rate fluctuations on the euro-denominated notes are included as a component of other comprehensive income (loss). During the year ended December 31, 2015, we recorded a pretax foreign currency translation gain of \$5.6 million from the euro-denominated notes.

In the normal course of business, our operations are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates which can vary the costs of financing, investing, and operating. We address a portion of these risks through a controlled program of risk management that includes the use of derivative financial instruments. The objective of controlling these risks is to limit the impact of fluctuations in interest rates on earnings. Our primary interest-rate risk exposure results from changes in short-term U.S. dollar interest rates. In an effort to manage interest-rate exposures, we strive to achieve an acceptable balance between fixed- and floating-rate debt and investment positions and may enter into interest rate swaps or collars to help maintain that balance.

Interest rate swaps or collars that convert our fixed-rate debt to a floating rate are designated as fair value hedges of the underlying instruments. Interest rate swaps or collars that convert floating-rate debt to a fixed rate are designated as cash flow hedges. Interest expense on the debt is adjusted to include the payments made or received under the swap agreements. Cash proceeds from or payments to counterparties resulting from the termination of interest rate swaps are classified as operating activities in our consolidated statement of cash flows. At December 31, 2015, substantially all of our total long-term debt is at a fixed rate. We have converted approximately 40 percent of our long-term fixed-rate notes to floating rates through the use of interest rate swaps.

We may enter into forward contracts and designate them as cash flow hedges to limit the potential volatility of earnings and cash flow associated with forecasted sales of available-for-sale securities.

We also may enter into forward-starting interest rate swaps, which we designate as cash flow hedges, as part of any anticipated future debt issuances in order to reduce the risk of cash flow volatility from future changes in interest rates. Upon completion of a debt issuance and termination of the swap, the change in fair value of these instruments is recorded as part of other comprehensive income (loss) and is amortized to interest expense over the life of the underlying debt.

The Effect of Risk Management Instruments on the Consolidated Statement of Operations

The following effects of risk-management instruments were recognized in other-net, (income) expense:

	2015	2014	2013
Fair value hedges:			
Effect from hedged fixed-rate debt	\$ (11.9)	\$ 156.9	\$ (308.2)
Effect from interest rate contracts	11.9	(156.9)	308.2
Cash flow hedges:			
Effective portion of losses on equity contracts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss ⁽¹⁾	_	129.0	_
Effective portion of losses on interest rate contracts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	13.7	9.0	9.0
Net (gains) losses on foreign currency exchange contracts not designated as hedging instruments	(28.2)	(20.4)	15.4

⁽¹⁾ Realized gains on the sale of underlying equity securities recognized in other-net, (income) expense were \$260.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2014. There were no realized gains on the sale of underlying equity securities during the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2013.

During the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, net losses related to ineffectiveness, as well as net losses related to the portion of our risk-management hedging instruments, fair value hedges, and cash flow hedges that were excluded from the assessment of effectiveness, were not material.

Fair Value Hedges

During the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, we terminated certain interest rate swaps designated as fair value hedges with an aggregate notional amount of \$876.0 million and \$1.30 billion, respectively. The termination of certain interest rate swaps in 2015 was in connection with the note purchase and redemption discussed at Note 10. As a result of the termination, we received cash of \$20.2 million and \$340.7 million in 2015 and 2014, respectively, which represented the fair value of the interest rate swaps at the time of termination. In 2015, the related fair value adjustment was recorded as an increase to the carrying value of the underlying notes and was included as a component of the debt extinguishment loss. In 2014, the related fair value was recorded as an increase to the carrying value of the underlying notes and is being amortized into earnings as a reduction of interest expense over the remaining life of the underlying debt.

Cash Flow Hedges

The effective portion of equity contracts and forward-starting interest rate swaps in designated cash flow hedging relationships recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) was as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Equity contracts	\$ — \$	149.6	\$ (149.6)
Forward-starting interest rate swaps	(56.7)	(164.7)	16.7

Upon issuance of the underlying fixed-rate notes in March 2015, which are discussed in Note 10, we terminated forward-starting interest rate contracts in designated cash flow hedging instruments with an aggregate notional amount of \$1.35 billion and paid \$206.3 million in cash to the counterparties for settlement. The settlement amount represented the fair value of the forward-starting interest rate contracts at the time of termination and was recorded in other comprehensive income (loss).

During the year ended December 31, 2014, we sold all of the underlying equity securities that had been in designated cash flow hedging relationships. At the time of the sales, we reclassified to earnings the accumulated other comprehensive loss related to the cash flow hedges and the previously unrealized gains on the underlying equity securities.

During the next 12 months, we expect to reclassify from accumulated other comprehensive loss to earnings \$14.8 million of pretax net losses on cash flow hedges of the variability in expected future interest payments on our floating rate debt.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following tables summarize certain fair value information at December 31 for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, as well as the carrying amount and amortized cost of certain other investments:

					Fair Value Measurements Using					ing		
Description		Carrying Amount		Cost ⁽¹⁾	N	oted Prices in Active larkets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Fair Value
December 31, 2015												
Cash equivalents	\$	1,644.4	\$	1,644.4	\$	1,637.0	\$	7.4	\$	-	\$	1,644.4
Short-term investments:												
U.S. government and agency							_					
securities	\$	153.2	\$		\$	153.2	\$	-	\$	-	\$	153.2
Corporate debt securities		625.8		626.9		_		625.8		—		625.8
Asset-backed securities		3.3		3.3		-		3.3		_		3.3
Other securities Short-term investments	\$	<u>3.1</u> 785.4	\$	<u>3.1</u> 786.7		—		3.1		—		3.1
	<u> </u>	705.4	- 4	700.7								
Noncurrent investments:												
U.S. government and agency securities	\$	284.5	\$	286.0	\$	283.5	\$	1.0	\$	_	\$	284.5
Corporate debt securities	Ψ	1,962.6	Ŷ	1,995.8	Ψ		Ŷ	1,962.6	Ŷ	_	Ŷ	1,962.6
Mortgage-backed securities		153.3		154.7		_		153.3		_		153.3
Asset-backed securities		441.9		443.1		_		441.9		_		441.9
Other securities		4.1		4.1		_		4.1		_		4.1
Marketable equity securities		128.9		74.8		128.9		—		—		128.9
Other investments ⁽²⁾		671.3		671.3								
Noncurrent investments	\$	3,646.6	\$	3,629.8								
D												
December 31, 2014	¢	2 1 1 2 E	¢	2 1 1 2 5	¢	2 415 5	\$	28.0	\$		¢	2 4 4 2 5
Cash equivalents	¢	2,443.5	<u> </u>	2,443.5	\$	2,415.5	Ф	20.0	Ф	_	Ф	2,443.5
Short-term investments:												
U.S. government and agency	^	405.5	•	405.0	•	450 5	•		•		•	105 5
securities	\$		\$		\$	156.5	\$	29.0	\$	—	\$	185.5
Corporate debt securities		767.4		766.7		_		767.4		_		767.4
Other securities Short-term investments	\$	<u>2.5</u> 955.4	\$	<u>2.5</u> 954.8		_		2.5		_		2.5
	<u>ψ</u>	933.4		954.0								
Noncurrent investments:												
U.S. government and agency securities	\$	756.7	\$	757.5	\$	747.5	\$	9.2	\$	—	\$	756.7
Corporate debt securities		2,462.7		2,468.9		—		2,462.7		—		2,462.7
Mortgage-backed securities		217.0		217.6		_		217.0				217.0
Asset-backed securities		477.8		478.0		—		477.8		—		477.8
Other securities		3.2		3.2		204.0		3.2		_		3.2
Marketable equity securities Other investments ⁽²⁾		204.8 446.7		44.0 446.7		204.8						204.8
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Noncurrent investments	\$	4,568.9	\$	4,415.9								

 $^{(1)}$ For available-for-sale debt securities, amounts disclosed represent the securities' amortized cost.

⁽²⁾ Primarily includes investments accounted for under the cost method and equity method for which fair value disclosures are not applicable.

		Fair Value Measurements Using						
Description	Carrying Amount	1	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	0	ignificant Other bservable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant tobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Fair Value
Short-term commercial paper borrowings								
December 31, 2015	\$ _	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$ _
December 31, 2014	(2,680.6)				(2,680.6)			(2,680.6)
Long-term debt, including current portion								
December 31, 2015	\$ (7,978.5)	\$	_	\$	(8,172.0)	\$	_	\$ (8,172.0)
December 31, 2014	(5,340.9)		—		(5,722.1)			(5,722.1)
			Quoted	lue N	leasurement	s Us	sing	
Description	Carrying Amount	I	Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	0	ignificant Other bservable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant tobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Fair Value
December 31, 2015								
Risk-management instruments								
Interest rate contracts designated as hedging instruments:								
Sundry	\$ 70.1	\$	_		70.1	\$	_	\$ 70.1
Other noncurrent liabilities	(0.4)		—		(0.4)		—	(0.4)
Foreign exchange contracts not designated as hedging instruments:								
Other receivables	13.1		_		13.1		_	13.1
Other current liabilities	(17.3)		-		(17.3)		—	(17.3)
Contingent consideration liability ⁽¹⁾ :								
Other current liabilities	(243.7)		-		-		(243.7)	(243.7)
Other noncurrent liabilities	(427.2)		_		_		(427.2)	(427.2)
December 31, 2014								
Risk-management instruments								
Interest rate contracts designated as hedging instruments:								
Sundry	\$ 102.5	\$	_	\$	102.5	\$	_	\$ 102.5
Other current liabilities	(149.5)		—		(149.5)		—	(149.5)
Other noncurrent liabilities	(0.7)		_		(0.7)		_	(0.7)
Foreign exchange contracts not designated as hedging instruments:								
Other receivables	9.1		_		9.1		_	9.1
Other current liabilities	(14.0)		_		(14.0)		_	(14.0)

⁽¹⁾ The contingent consideration liability relates to the Erbitux arrangement with BMS discussed in Note 4.

Risk-management instruments above are disclosed on a gross basis. There are various rights of setoff associated with certain of the risk-management instruments above that are subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreements. Although various rights of setoff and master netting arrangements or similar agreements may exist with the individual counterparties to the risk-management instruments above, individually, these financial rights are not material.

We determine our Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements based on a market approach using quoted market values, significant other observable inputs for identical or comparable assets or liabilities, or discounted cash flow analyses. The fair value of equity method investments and other investments is not readily available.

The fair value of the Erbitux contingent consideration liability was estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis and Level 3 inputs, including projections representative of a market participant view for net sales in North America over the three-year period ending in September 2018 and an estimated discount rate. The amount to be paid is calculated as a tiered percentage of net sales (see Note 4) and will, therefore, vary directly with increases and decreases in net sales of Erbitux in North America. There is no cap on the amount that may be paid pursuant to this arrangement.

The table below summarizes the contractual maturities of our investments in debt securities measured at fair value as of December 31, 2015:

	Maturities by Period								
	Total	Within 1 Year	After 1 Year Through 5 Years	After 5 Years Through 10 Years	After 10 Years				
Fair value of debt securities	\$ 3,631.8	\$ 785.4	\$ 2,516.8	\$ 164.0	\$ 165.6				

A summary of the fair value of available-for-sale securities in an unrealized gain or loss position and the amount of unrealized gains and losses (pretax) in accumulated other comprehensive loss follows:

	2015	2014
Unrealized gross gains	\$ 68.0	\$ 171.9
Unrealized gross losses	52.5	18.3
Fair value of securities in an unrealized gain position	764.5	1,778.8
Fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position	2,933.4	3,129.2

We periodically assess our investment securities for other-than-temporary impairment losses. Other-thantemporary impairment losses recognized during the year ended December 31, 2015 totaled \$42.6 million and related primarily to our equity method and other investments. Other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized during the years ended December 31, 2014, and 2013 totaled \$12.5 million and \$11.3 million, respectively.

For fixed-income securities, the amount of credit losses are determined by comparing the difference between the present value of future cash flows expected to be collected on these securities and the amortized cost. Factors considered in assessing the credit losses include the position in the capital structure, vintage and amount of collateral, delinquency rates, current credit support, and geographic concentration.

For equity securities, factors considered in assessing other-than-temporary impairment losses include the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near term prospects of the issuer, our intent and ability to retain the securities for a period of time sufficient to allow for recovery in fair value, and general market conditions and industry specific factors.

As of December 31, 2015, the securities in an unrealized loss position include primarily fixed-rate debt securities of varying maturities. The value of fixed-income securities is sensitive to changes in the yield curve and other market conditions. Approximately 85 percent of the securities in a loss position are investment-grade debt securities. As of December 31, 2015, we do not intend to sell, and it is not more likely than not that we will be required to sell, the securities in a loss position before the market values recover or the underlying cash flows have been received, and there is no indication of default on interest rate or principal payments for any of our debt securities.

Activity related to our investment portfolio, substantially all of which related to available-for-sale securities, was as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Proceeds from sales	\$ 4,733.3	\$ 14,609.5	\$ 13,753.5
Realized gross gains on sales	255.1	353.5	49.5
Realized gross losses on sales	10.3	29.4	15.4

Realized gains and losses on sales of investments are computed based upon specific identification of the initial cost adjusted for any other-than-temporary declines in fair value that were recorded in earnings.

Note 8: Goodwill and Other Intangibles

Goodwill

Goodwill by segment at December 31 was as follows:

	2015	2014
Human pharmaceutical products	\$ 1,366.5	\$ 1,359.4
Animal health	2,673.4	398.7
Total goodwill	\$ 4,039.9	\$ 1,758.1

Goodwill results from excess consideration in a business combination over the fair value of identifiable net assets acquired. Goodwill is not amortized but is reviewed for impairment at least annually and when impairment indicators are present. When required, a comparison of implied fair value to the carrying amount of goodwill is performed to determine the amount of any impairment. The increase in goodwill for the animal health segment in 2015 is a result of the acquisition of Novartis AH (Note 3).

No impairments occurred with respect to the carrying value of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013.

Other Intangibles

The components of intangible assets other than goodwill at December 31 were as follows:

	2015					2014															
Description	Carrying mount— Gross		cumulated nortization		Amount Amou		Carrying Amount— Accumulated Gross Amortization		Amount—		Amount—		Amount—		Amount—		Amount—				Carrying mount— Net
Finite-lived intangible assets:																					
Marketed products	\$ 7,528.0	\$	(2,706.4)	\$	4,821.6	\$	5,684.3	\$	(2,915.6)	\$	2,768.7										
Other	 151.1		(115.5)		35.6		149.3		(45.2)		104.1										
Total finite-lived intangible assets	7,679.1		(2,821.9)		4,857.2		5,833.6		(2,960.8)		2,872.8										
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:																					
Acquired in-process research and development	177.6				177.6		11.4				11.4										
Other intangibles	\$ 7,856.7	\$	(2,821.9)	\$	5,034.8	\$	5,845.0	\$	(2,960.8)	\$	2,884.2										

Marketed products consist of the amortized cost of the rights to assets acquired in business combinations and approved for marketing in a significant global jurisdiction (U.S., Europe, and Japan) and capitalized milestone payments. For transactions other than a business combination, we capitalize milestone payments incurred at or after the product has obtained regulatory approval for marketing.

Other finite-lived intangibles consist primarily of the amortized cost of licensed platform technologies that have alternative future uses in research and development, manufacturing technologies, and customer relationships from business combinations.

Acquired IPR&D consists of the related costs capitalized, adjusted for subsequent impairments, if any. The costs of acquired IPR&D projects acquired directly in a transaction other than a business combination are capitalized if the projects have an alternative future use; otherwise, they are expensed immediately. The fair values of acquired IPR&D projects acquired in business combinations are capitalized as other intangible assets.

Several methods may be used to determine the estimated fair value of other intangibles acquired in a business combination. We utilize the "income method," which is a Level 3 fair value measurement and applies a probability weighting that considers the risk of development and commercialization to the estimated future net cash flows that are derived from projected revenues and estimated costs. These projections are based on factors such as relevant market size, patent protection, historical pricing of similar products, and expected industry trends. The estimated future net cash flows are then discounted to the present value using an appropriate discount rate. This analysis is performed for each asset independently. The acquired IPR&D assets are treated as indefinite-lived intangible assets until completion or abandonment of the projects, at which time the assets are tested for impairment and amortized over the remaining useful life or written off, as appropriate.

See Note 3 for further discussion of intangible assets acquired in recent business combinations and Note 4 for additional discussion of recent capitalized milestone payments. The increases in marketed products and acquired IPR&D assets in 2015 are primarily due to the acquisition of Novartis AH and the transfer of the Erbitux commercialization rights discussed in Notes 3 and 4, respectively.

Other indefinite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for impairment at least annually and when impairment indicators are present. When required, a comparison of fair value to the carrying amount of assets is performed to determine the amount of any impairment. When determining the fair value of indefinite-lived acquired IPR&D assets for impairment testing purposes, we utilize the "income method" discussed above. Finite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for impairment when an indicator of impairment is present. No material impairments occurred with respect to the carrying value of other intangible assets for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013.

Intangible assets with finite lives are capitalized and are amortized over their estimated useful lives, ranging from 3 to 20 years. As of December 31, 2015, the remaining weighted-average amortization period for finite-lived intangible assets is approximately 12 years.

Amortization expense related to finite-lived intangible assets was as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Amortization expense	\$ 631.8	\$ 535.9	\$ 555.0

The estimated amortization expense associated with our current finite-lived intangible assets for each of the next five years is as follows:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Estimated amortization expense	\$ 674.7	\$ 641.8	\$ 480.4	\$ 302.7	\$ 301.4

Amortization expense is included in either cost of sales, marketing, selling, and administrative or research and development depending on the nature of the intangible asset being amortized.

Note 9: Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated on the basis of cost. Provisions for depreciation of buildings and equipment are computed generally by the straight-line method at rates based on their estimated useful lives (12 to 50 years for buildings and 3 to 25 years for equipment). We review the carrying value of long-lived assets for potential impairment on a periodic basis and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment is determined by comparing projected undiscounted cash flows to be generated by the asset to its carrying value. If an impairment is identified, a loss is recorded equal to the excess of the asset's net book value over its fair value, and the cost basis is adjusted.

At December 31, property and equipment consisted of the following:

	2015	2014
Land	\$ 220.6	\$ 205.2
Buildings	6,786.5	6,516.2
Equipment	7,988.5	7,609.7
Construction in progress	1,665.3	1,698.2
	16,660.9	16,029.3
Less accumulated depreciation	(8,607.4)	(8,065.4)
Property and equipment, net	\$ 8,053.5	\$ 7,963.9

Depreciation expense related to property and equipment and rental expense for all leases, including contingent rentals (not material), was as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Depreciation expense	\$ 717.6	\$ 759.1	\$ 774.8
Rental expense	225.7	227.3	227.2

Capitalized interest costs were not material for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013.

Assets under capital leases included in property and equipment, net on the consolidated balance sheets, capital lease obligations entered into, and future minimum rental commitments are not material.

Note 10: Borrowings

Debt at December 31 consisted of the following:

	2015	2014
Short-term commercial paper borrowings	\$ — \$	2,680.6
1.00 to 7.13 percent long-term notes (due 2017-2045)	7,700.1	4,872.8
Other long-term debt, including capitalized leases	23.1	33.1
Unamortized debt issuance costs	(37.1)	(20.4)
Fair value adjustment on hedged long-term notes	 292.4	455.4
Total debt	 7,978.5	8,021.5
Less current portion	 (6.1)	(2,688.7)
Long-term debt	\$ 7,972.4 \$	5,332.8

There were no outstanding borrowings under our commercial paper program at December 31, 2015. We had \$2.68 billion in outstanding borrowings under our commercial paper program at December 31, 2014, with a weighted-average effective borrowing rate of 0.18 percent.

At December 31, 2015, we had a total of \$1.30 billion of unused committed bank credit facilities, which consisted primarily of a \$1.20 billion credit facility that expires in August 2020 and is available to support our commercial paper program. During the year ended December 31, 2015, our \$2.00 billion 364-day credit facility expired unused and was not renewed. There were no amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facilities during the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. Compensating balances and commitment fees are not material, and there are no conditions that are probable of occurring under which the lines may be withdrawn.

In March 2015, we issued \$600.0 million of 1.25 percent fixed-rate notes due March 1, 2018, \$800.0 million of 2.75 percent fixed-rate notes due June 1, 2025, and \$800.0 million of 3.70 percent fixed-rate notes due March 1, 2045 with interest to be paid semi-annually. The proceeds from the issuance of the notes were used primarily to repay outstanding commercial paper issued in connection with our January 2015 acquisition of Novartis AH.

In June 2015, we issued euro-denominated notes consisting of €600.0 million of 1.00 percent fixed-rate notes due June 2, 2022, €750.0 million of 1.63 percent fixed-rate notes due June 2, 2026, and €750.0 million of 2.13 percent fixed-rate notes due June 3, 2030 with interest to be paid annually. The net cash proceeds of the offering of \$2.27 billion were used primarily to purchase and redeem certain higher interest rate U.S. dollar-denominated notes and to repay outstanding commercial paper. We paid \$1.95 billion to purchase and redeem notes with an aggregate principal amount of \$1.65 billion and a net carrying value of \$1.78 billion in June 2015, resulting in a pretax debt extinguishment loss of \$166.7 million, which was included in other–net, (income) expense in our consolidated statement of operations during the year ended December 31, 2015.

In February 2014, we issued \$600.0 million of 1.95 percent and \$400.0 million of 4.65 percent fixed-rate notes with interest to be paid semi-annually and maturity dates of March 15, 2019, and June 15, 2044, respectively. Current maturities of long-term notes of \$1.00 billion were repaid in March 2014.

The aggregate amounts of maturities on long-term debt for the next five years are as follows:

	2	016	2017	2018	2019	2	020
Maturities on long-term debt	\$	6.1	\$ 635.2	\$ 803.2	\$ 601.8	\$	0.6

We have converted approximately 40 percent of our long-term fixed-rate notes to floating rates through the use of interest rate swaps. The weighted-average effective borrowing rates based on long-term debt obligations and interest rates at December 31, 2015 and 2014, including the effects of interest rate swaps for hedged debt obligations, were 2.67 percent and 3.69 percent, respectively.

The aggregate amount of cash payments for interest on borrowings, net of capitalized interest, are as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Cash payments for interest on borrowings	\$ 129.6	\$ 140.4	\$ 139.7

In accordance with the requirements of derivatives and hedging guidance, the portion of our fixed-rate debt obligations that is hedged as a fair value hedge, is reflected in the consolidated balance sheets as an amount equal to the sum of the debt's carrying value plus the fair value adjustment representing changes in fair value of the hedged debt attributable to movements in market interest rates subsequent to the inception of the hedge.

Note 11: Stock-Based Compensation

Our stock-based compensation expense consists of performance awards (PAs), shareholder value awards (SVAs), and restricted stock units (RSUs). We recognize the fair value of stock-based compensation as expense over the requisite service period of the individual grantees, which generally equals the vesting period. We provide newly issued shares of our common stock and treasury stock to satisfy the issuance of PA, SVA, and RSU shares. We classify tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized for stock-based compensation as a financing cash flow in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

Stock-based compensation expense and the related tax benefits were as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Stock-based compensation expense	\$ 217.8	\$ 156.0	\$ 144.9
Tax benefit	76.2	54.6	50.7

At December 31, 2015, additional stock-based compensation awards may be granted under the 2002 Lilly Stock Plan for not more than 100.6 million shares.

Performance Award Program

PAs are granted to officers and management and are payable in shares of our common stock. The number of PA shares actually issued, if any, varies depending on the achievement of certain pre-established earningsper-share targets over a two-year period. PA shares are accounted for at fair value based upon the closing stock price on the date of grant and fully vest at the end of the measurement period. The fair values of PAs granted for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$70.34, \$48.81, and \$50.19, respectively. The number of shares ultimately issued for the PA program is dependent upon the earnings achieved during the vesting period. Pursuant to this program, approximately 0.5 million shares, 0.7 million shares were issued during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively. Approximately 0.5 million shares are expected to be issued in 2016. As of December 31, 2015, the total remaining unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested PAs was \$69.5 million, which will be amortized over the weighted-average remaining requisite service period of 12 months.

Shareholder Value Award Program

SVAs are granted to officers and management and are payable in shares of our common stock. The number of shares actually issued, if any, varies depending on our stock price at the end of the three-year vesting period compared to pre-established target stock prices. We measure the fair value of the SVA unit on the grant date using a Monte Carlo simulation model. The model utilizes multiple input variables that determine the probability of satisfying the market condition stipulated in the award grant and calculates the fair value of the award. Expected volatilities utilized in the model are based on implied volatilities from traded options on our stock, historical volatility of our stock price, and other factors. Similarly, the dividend yield is based on historical experience and our estimate of future dividend yields. The risk-free interest rate is derived from the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The weighted-average fair values of the SVA units granted during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$54.81, \$41.97, and \$45.17, respectively, determined using the following assumptions:

(Percents)	2015	2014	2013
Expected dividend yield	2.50%	3.50%	3.50%
Risk-free interest rate	0.79	.0871	.0843
Volatility	20.37	18.87-21.56	18.95-22.37

Pursuant to this program, approximately 1.4 million shares, 1.4 million shares, and 1.5 million shares were issued during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively. Approximately 1.0 million shares are expected to be issued in 2016. As of December 31, 2015, the total remaining unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested SVAs was \$59.9 million, which will be amortized over the weighted-average remaining requisite service period of 20 months.

Restricted Stock Units

RSUs are granted to certain employees and are payable in shares of our common stock. RSU shares are accounted for at fair value based upon the closing stock price on the date of grant. The corresponding expense is amortized over the vesting period, typically three years. The fair values of RSU awards granted during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$71.69, \$52.72, and \$54.10, respectively. The number of shares ultimately issued for the RSU program remains constant with the exception of forfeitures. Pursuant to this program, 0.9 million, 1.2 million, and 1.1 million shares were granted and approximately 0.9 million, 0.9 million, and 0.8 million shares were issued during the years ended December 31, 2013, respectively. Approximately 0.6 million shares are expected to be issued in 2016. As of December 31, 2015, the total remaining unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested RSUs was \$103.0 million, which will be amortized over the weighted-average remaining requisite service period of 24 months.

Note 12: Shareholders' Equity

During 2015, 2014, and 2013, we repurchased \$749.5 million, \$800.0 million and \$500.0 million, respectively, of shares associated with our \$5.00 billion share repurchase program announced in 2013. As of December 31, 2015, there were \$2.95 billion of shares remaining in that program. During 2013, we

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repurchased \$1.10 billion of shares, completing our \$1.50 billion share repurchase program announced in 2012.

We have 5.0 million authorized shares of preferred stock. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, no preferred stock has been issued.

We have an employee benefit trust that held 50.0 million shares of our common stock at both December 31, 2015 and 2014, to provide a source of funds to assist us in meeting our obligations under various employee benefit plans. The cost basis of the shares held in the trust was \$3.01 billion at both December 31, 2015 and 2014, and is shown as a reduction in shareholders' equity. Any dividend transactions between us and the trust are eliminated. Stock held by the trust is not considered outstanding in the computation of EPS. The assets of the trust were not used to fund any of our obligations under these employee benefit plans during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013.

Note 13: Income Taxes

Deferred taxes are recognized for the future tax effects of temporary differences between financial and income tax reporting based on enacted tax laws and rates. Federal income taxes are provided on the portion of the income of foreign subsidiaries that is expected to be remitted to the U.S. and be taxable. When foreign earnings are expected to be indefinitely reinvested outside the U.S., no accrual for U.S. income taxes is provided.

We recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate resolution.

Following is the composition of income tax expense:

	2015		2014	2013
Current:				
Federal	\$ 660	5\$	168.9	\$ 259.1
Foreign	422	0	406.2	553.2
State	47	5	(2.1)	126.3
Total current tax expense	1,130	0	573.0	938.6
Deferred:				
Federal	(689	6)	(83.3)	297.0
Foreign	(66	0)	120.2	(28.2)
State	7	2	(0.1)	(2.9)
Total deferred tax (benefit) expense	(748	4)	36.8	265.9
Income taxes	\$ 381	6 \$	609.8	\$ 1,204.5

Significant components of our deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31 are as follows:

	2015	2014
Deferred tax assets:		
Compensation and benefits	\$ 1,034.6	\$ 976.3
Purchases of intangible assets	637.2	473.3
Tax credit carryforwards and carrybacks	294.2	279.4
Tax loss carryforwards and carrybacks	247.8	265.5
Contingent consideration	214.6	
Product return reserves	212.1	241.8
Other comprehensive loss on hedging transactions	129.7	115.3
Debt	111.3	176.0
Other	628.6	623.2
Total gross deferred tax assets	3,510.1	3,150.8
Valuation allowances	(590.3)	(601.1)
Total deferred tax assets	2,919.8	2,549.7
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Inventories	(771.3)	(684.6)
Intangibles	(756.3)	(582.6)
Property and equipment	(411.6)	(424.7)
Prepaid employee benefits	(317.8)	(275.8)
Unremitted earnings	(218.8)	(737.1)
Financial instruments	(152.6)	(276.8)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(2,628.4)	(2,981.6)
Deferred tax assets (liabilities) - net	\$ 291.4	\$ (431.9)

The deferred tax asset and related valuation allowance amounts for U.S. federal and state net operating losses and tax credits shown above have been reduced for differences between financial reporting and tax return filings.

Based on filed tax returns, we have tax credit carryforwards and carrybacks of \$668.5 million available to reduce future income taxes; \$180.5 million, if unused, will expire by 2021. The remaining portion of the tax credit carryforwards is related to federal tax credits of \$93.4 million, international tax credits of \$100.6 million, and state tax credits of \$294.0 million, all of which are substantially reserved.

At December 31, 2015, based on filed tax returns we had net operating losses and other carryforwards for international and U.S. federal income tax purposes of \$462.0 million: \$38.0 million will expire by 2020; \$354.0 million will expire between 2020 and 2035; and \$70.0 million of the carryforwards will never expire. Net operating losses and other carryforwards for international and U.S. federal income tax purposes are partially reserved. Deferred tax assets related to state net operating losses of \$93.2 million and other state carryforwards of \$8.8 million are fully reserved.

Domestic and Puerto Rican companies contributed approximately 35 percent, 20 percent, and 60 percent for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively, to consolidated income before income taxes. We have a subsidiary operating in Puerto Rico under a tax incentive grant effective through the end of 2016. A similar, new tax incentive grant will begin in 2017 and will be in effect for 15 years.

At December 31, 2015, U.S. income taxes have not been provided on approximately \$26.5 billion of unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries as we consider these unremitted earnings to be indefinitely invested for continued use in our foreign operations. Additional tax provisions will be required if these earnings are repatriated in the future to the U.S. Due to complexities in the tax laws and assumptions that we would have to make, it is not practicable to determine the amount of the related unrecognized deferred income tax liability.

Cash payments of income taxes were as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Cash payments of income taxes	\$ 969.0	\$ 729.7	\$ 1,255.6

Following is a reconciliation of the income tax expense applying the U.S. federal statutory rate to income before income taxes to reported income tax expense:

	:	2015	2014	2	2013
Income tax at the U.S. federal statutory tax rate	\$	976.5	\$ 1,050.1	\$	2,061.3
Add (deduct):					
International operations, including Puerto Rico		(565.2)	(344.8)		(778.3)
General business credits		(69.2)	(44.3)		(175.6)
Other		39.5	(51.2)		97.1
Income taxes	\$	381.6	\$ 609.8	\$	1,204.5

The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, which included the reinstatement of the research tax credit for the year 2012, was enacted in early 2013. Therefore, the research tax credits for the years 2012 and 2013 are both included in 2013 with general business credits.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of gross unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	2015			2014	2013
Beginning balance at January 1	\$	1,338.8	\$	1,136.4	\$ 1,534.3
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year		131.3		126.4	142.5
Additions for tax positions of prior years		116.6		132.6	251.5
Reductions for tax positions of prior years		(45.2)		(32.1)	(358.2)
Settlements		(446.2)		(4.2)	(404.9)
Lapses of statutes of limitation		(4.0)		(3.5)	(24.9)
Changes related to the impact of foreign currency translation		(24.7)		(16.8)	(3.9)
Ending balance at December 31	\$	1,066.6	\$	1,338.8	\$ 1,136.4

The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect our effective tax rate was \$404.1 million and \$638.8 million at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

We file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state, local, and non-U.S. jurisdictions. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal, state and local, or non-U.S. income tax examinations in most major taxing jurisdictions for years before 2007.

During 2013, we reached resolution on the remaining matters related to tax years 2008–2009 that were not settled as part of a previous U.S. examination. Considering the impact of this resolution on periods that have not yet been examined, as well as its impact on tax asset carryforwards, there was an immaterial benefit to our consolidated results of operations. We made cash payments of approximately \$135 million related to tax years 2008–2009 after application of available tax credit carryforwards and carrybacks.

The U.S. examination of tax years 2010-2012 commenced during the fourth quarter of 2013 and is expected to conclude in the first quarter of 2016. In December 2015, we executed a closing agreement with the Internal Revenue Service which effectively settled certain matters for tax years 2010-2012. Accordingly, we have reduced our gross uncertain tax positions by approximately \$320 million in 2015. There was an immaterial impact to our consolidated results of operations during the fourth quarter related to issues settled in the closing agreement. In the first quarter of 2016, we anticipate reaching resolution on the remaining issues under examination and estimate that our gross uncertain tax positions will further be reduced by approximately \$100 million to \$150 million. Additionally, we do not anticipate that resolution of the U.S. examination will result in a material change to our consolidated financial position, and we expect that up to \$250 million of cash payments will be due upon resolution of these tax years. We expect the U.S. examination of tax years 2013-2014, and possibly 2015, to begin in 2016.

We recognize both accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. We recognized income tax (benefit) expense related to interest and penalties as follows:

	2015			2014	2013
Income tax (benefit) expense	\$	13.2	\$	35.9	\$ (10.9)

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, our accruals for the payment of interest and penalties totaled \$216.3 million and \$207.2 million, respectively.

Note 14: Retirement Benefits

We use a measurement date of December 31 to develop the change in benefit obligation, change in plan assets, funded status, and amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets at December 31 for our defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans, which were as follows:

	Defined Pension	 	Retiree Benefit		
	2015	2014	 2015		2014
Change in benefit obligation:					
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 12,012.4	\$ 9,976.4	\$ 1,553.5	\$	1,757.2
Benefit obligation assumed in Novartis AH acquisition	334.7		9.9		—
Service cost	315.7	240.9	45.1		33.0
Interest cost	476.8	472.6	62.6		85.6
Actuarial (gain) loss	(812.4)	1,996.3	(113.5)		293.5
Benefits paid	(437.8)	(421.2)	(77.5)		(76.1)
Plan amendments	(0.4)	(2.4)	_		(533.6)
Foreign currency exchange rate changes and other adjustments	(169.8)	(250.2)	(12.7)		(6.1)
Benefit obligation at end of year	11,719.2	12,012.4	 1,467.4		1,553.5
		,	.,		.,
Change in plan assets:					
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	9,835.7	9,481.7	1,918.7		1,879.6
Fair value of plan assets assumed in Novartis AH acquisition	235.9	_	_		
Actual return on plan assets	90.4	813.6	85.1		157.4
Employer contribution	404.1	127.2	17.4		(42.2)
Benefits paid	(437.8)	(421.2)	(77.5)		(76.1)
Foreign currency exchange rate changes and other	(437.0)	(+21.2)	(11.5)		(70.1)
adjustments	(132.7)	(165.6)	_		_
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	9,995.6	9,835.7	1,943.7		1,918.7
Funded status	(1,723.6)	(2,176.7)	476.3		365.2
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	4,552.7	5,114.9	347.9		439.5
Unrecognized prior service (benefit) cost	32.5	43.5	 (574.8)		(666.7)
Net amount recognized	\$ 2,861.6	\$ 2,981.7	\$ 249.4	\$	138.0
Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheet consisted of:					
Sundry	\$ 261.6	\$ 211.2	\$ 722.1	\$	609.4
Other current liabilities	(63.8)	(62.3)	(6.9)	·	(6.9)
Accrued retirement benefits	(1,921.4)	(2,325.6)	(238.9)		(237.3)
Accumulated other comprehensive (income) loss					
before income taxes	4,585.2	5,158.4	(226.9)		(227.2)
Net amount recognized	\$ 2,861.6	\$ 2,981.7	\$ 249.4	\$	138.0

The unrecognized net actuarial loss and unrecognized prior service cost (benefit) have not yet been recognized in net periodic pension costs and are included in accumulated other comprehensive loss at December 31, 2015.

A change to our U.S. retiree health benefit plan was approved in 2014 and communicated to retirees in January 2015. Beginning in 2016, Medicare-eligible retirees and Medicare-eligible dependents will choose health care coverage from insurance providers through a private Medicare supplement marketplace, while still

receiving financial support from us. This change decreased our retiree health benefit obligation and increased our unrecognized prior service benefit as of December 31, 2014 by \$520.8 million.

During 2016, we expect the following components of accumulated other comprehensive loss to be recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost:

	[Retiree Health Benefit Plans				
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	\$	285.9	\$ 19.2			
Unrecognized prior service (benefit) cost		11.9	(85.8)			
Total	\$	297.8	\$ (66.6)			

We do not expect any plan assets to be returned to us in 2016.

The following represents our weighted-average assumptions as of December 31:

		ined Ben nsion Pla	Retiree Health Benefit Plans				
(Percents)	2015	2014	2013	2015	2014	2013	
Discount rate for benefit obligation	4.3	4.0	4.9	4.5	4.1	5.0	
Discount rate for net benefit costs	4.0	4.9	4.3	4.1	5.0	4.3	
Rate of compensation increase for benefit obligation	3.4	3.4	3.4				
Rate of compensation increase for net benefit costs	3.4	3.4	3.4				
Expected return on plan assets for net benefit costs	7.4	8.1	8.4	8.0	8.5	8.8	

We annually evaluate the expected return on plan assets in our defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans. In evaluating the expected rate of return, we consider many factors, with a primary analysis of current and projected market conditions; asset returns and asset allocations; and the views of leading financial advisers and economists. We may also review our historical assumptions compared with actual results, as well as the assumptions and trend rates utilized by similar plans, where applicable.

Given the design of our retiree health benefit plans, heathcare-cost trend rates do not have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows:

	2016	2017 2018		2018	2019	2020	2021-2025			
Defined benefit pension plans	\$ 458.4	\$ 465.2	\$	480.3	\$ 498.8	\$ 518.5	\$	2,987.5		
Retiree health benefit plans	70.7	75.3		78.3	81.1	84.0		464.2		

Amounts relating to defined benefit pension plans with projected benefit obligations in excess of plan assets were as follows at December 31:

	2015	2014
Projected benefit obligation	\$ 10,054.1	\$10,537.2
Fair value of plan assets	8,069.7	8,149.2

Amounts relating to defined benefit pension plans and retiree health benefit plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets were as follows at December 31:

		l Benefit n Plans	Retiree Health Benefit Plans				
	2015	2014	2015	2014			
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 2,028.1	\$ 2,179.8	\$ 245.8	\$	244.2		
Fair value of plan assets	844.9	700.9	_				

The total accumulated benefit obligation for our defined benefit pension plans was \$10.75 billion and \$10.88 billion at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Net pension and retiree health benefit expense included the following components:

		_		ned Benefi sion Plans	-			F	-			
	2015		2014 2013		2013	2015		2014			2013	
Components of net periodic (benefit) cost:												
Service cost	\$	315.7	\$	240.9	\$	287.1	\$	45.1	\$	33.0	\$	49.9
Interest cost		476.8		472.6		437.2		62.6		85.6		98.1
Expected return on plan assets		(782.3)		(756.6)		(701.9)		(150.0)		(146.4)		(130.7)
Amortization of prior service (benefit) cost		10.4		3.6		3.7		(91.1)		(37.6)		(35.6)
Recognized actuarial loss		383.2		282.3		414.7		38.0		20.7		100.5
Net periodic (benefit) cost	\$	403.8	\$	242.8	\$	440.8	\$	(95.4)	\$	(44.7)	\$	82.2

As of January 1, 2016, we changed the method used to estimate the service and interest cost components of the net periodic pension and retiree health benefit plan costs. This new method uses the spot yield curve approach to estimate the service and interest costs by applying the specific spot rates along the yield curve to the projected cash outflows of our obligations. Previously, those costs were determined using a single weighted-average discount rate. The new method provides a more precise measure of interest and service costs by improving the correlation between the projected benefit cash flows and the specific spot yield curve rates. The change does not affect the measurement of the total benefit obligations as the change in service and interest costs is recorded in the actuarial gains and losses recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss. We will account for this change as a change in estimate prospectively beginning in the first quarter of 2016.

The following represents the amounts recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended December 31, 2015:

	ed Benefit sion Plans	iree Health nefit Plans
Actuarial gain arising during period	\$ 120.4	\$ 48.6
Plan amendments during period	0.4	—
Amortization of prior service (benefit) cost included in net income	10.4	(91.1)
Amortization of net actuarial loss included in net income	383.2	38.0
Foreign currency exchange rate changes and other	58.8	4.2
Total other comprehensive income (loss) during period	\$ 573.2	\$ (0.3)

We have defined contribution savings plans that cover our eligible employees worldwide. The purpose of these plans is generally to provide additional financial security during retirement by providing employees with an incentive to save. Our contributions to the plans are based on employee contributions and the level of our match. Expenses under the plans totaled \$162.4 million, \$153.3 million, and \$147.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively.

We provide certain other postemployment benefits primarily related to disability benefits and accrue for the related cost over the service lives of employees. Expenses associated with these benefit plans for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were not material.

Benefit Plan Investments

Our benefit plan investment policies are set with specific consideration of return and risk requirements in relationship to the respective liabilities. U.S. and Puerto Rico plans represent approximately 75 percent of our global investments. Given the long-term nature of our liabilities, these plans have the flexibility to manage an above-average degree of risk in the asset portfolios. At the investment-policy level, there are no specifically prohibited investments. However, within individual investment manager mandates, restrictions and limitations are contractually set to align with our investment objectives, ensure risk control, and limit concentrations.

We manage our portfolio to minimize concentration of risk by allocating funds within asset categories. In addition, within a category we use different managers with various management objectives to eliminate any significant concentration of risk.

Our global benefit plans may enter into contractual arrangements (derivatives) to implement the local investment policy or manage particular portfolio risks. Derivatives are principally used to increase or decrease

exposure to a particular public equity, fixed income, commodity, or currency market more rapidly or less expensively than could be accomplished through the use of the cash markets. The plans utilize both exchange-traded and over-the-counter instruments. The maximum exposure to either a market or counterparty credit loss is limited to the carrying value of the receivable, and is managed within contractual limits. We expect all of our counterparties to meet their obligations. The gross values of these derivative receivables and payables are not material to the global asset portfolio, and their values are reflected within the tables below.

The defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plan allocation for the U.S. and Puerto Rico currently comprises approximately 80 percent growth investments and 20 percent fixed-income investments. The growth investment allocation encompasses U.S. and international public equity securities, hedge funds, private equity-like investments, and real estate. These portfolio allocations are intended to reduce overall risk by providing diversification, while seeking moderate to high returns over the long term.

Public equity securities are well diversified and invested in U.S. and international small-to-large companies across various asset managers and styles. The remaining portion of the growth portfolio is invested in private alternative investments.

Fixed-income investments primarily consist of fixed-income securities in U.S. treasuries and agencies, emerging market debt obligations, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed securities, and commercial mortgage-backed obligations.

Hedge funds are privately owned institutional investment funds that generally have moderate liquidity. Hedge funds seek specified levels of absolute return regardless of overall market conditions, and generally have low correlations to public equity and debt markets. Hedge funds often invest substantially in financial market instruments (stocks, bonds, commodities, currencies, derivatives, etc.) using a very broad range of trading activities to manage portfolio risks. Hedge fund strategies focus primarily on security selection and seek to be neutral with respect to market moves. Common groupings of hedge fund strategies include relative value, tactical, and event driven. Relative value strategies include arbitrage, when the same asset can simultaneously be bought and sold at different prices, achieving an immediate profit. Tactical strategies often take long and short positions to reduce or eliminate overall market risks while seeking a particular investment opportunity. Event strategy opportunities can evolve from specific company announcements such as mergers and acquisitions, and typically have little correlation to overall market directional movements. Our hedge fund investments are made through limited partnership interests primarily in fund-of-funds structures to ensure diversification across many strategies and many individual managers. Plan holdings in hedge funds are valued based on net asset values (NAVs) calculated by each fund or general partner, as applicable, and we have the ability to redeem these investments at NAV.

Private equity-like investment funds typically have low liquidity and are made through long-term partnerships or joint ventures that invest in pools of capital invested in primarily non-publicly traded entities. Underlying investments include venture capital (early stage investing), buyout, and special situation investing. Private equity management firms typically acquire and then reorganize private companies to create increased long term value. Private equity-like funds usually have a limited life of approximately 10-15 years, and require a minimum investment commitment from their limited partners. Our private investments are made both directly into funds and through fund-of-funds structures to ensure broad diversification of management styles and assets across the portfolio. Plan holdings in private equity-like investments are valued using the value reported by the partnership, adjusted for known cash flows and significant events through our reporting date. Values provided by the partnerships are primarily based on analysis of and judgments about the underlying investments. Inputs to these valuations include underlying NAVs, discounted cash flow valuations, comparable market valuations, and may also include adjustments for currency, credit, liquidity and other risks as applicable. The vast majority of these private partnerships provide us with annual audited financial statements including their compliance with fair valuation procedures consistent with applicable accounting standards.

Real estate is composed of both public and private holdings. Real estate investments in registered investment companies that trade on an exchange are classified as Level 1 on the fair value hierarchy. Real estate investments in funds measured at fair value on the basis of NAV provided by the fund manager are classified as Level 3. These NAVs are developed with inputs including discounted cash flow, independent appraisal, and market comparable analyses.

Other assets include cash and cash equivalents and mark-to-market value of derivatives.

The cash value of the trust-owned insurance contract is invested in investment-grade publicly traded equity and fixed-income securities.

Other than hedge funds, private equity-like investments, and real estate, which are discussed above, we determine fair values based on a market approach using quoted market values, significant other observable inputs for identical or comparable assets or liabilities, or discounted cash flow analyses.

The fair values of our defined benefit pension plan and retiree health plan assets as of December 31, 2015 by asset category are as follows:

		Fair Value Measurements Using									
Asset Class	Total	Ac	uoted Prices in tive Markets for entical Assets (Level 1)	Ob	Significant servable Inputs (Level 2)	l	Significant Jnobservable Inputs (Level 3)				
Defined Benefit Pension Plans											
Public equity securities:											
U.S.	\$ 414.8	\$	187.1	\$	227.7	\$					
International	2,340.6		956.3		1,384.3						
Fixed income:											
Developed markets	1,316.6		175.7		1,140.9						
Emerging markets	385.7		10.1		375.3		0.3				
Private alternative investments:											
Hedge funds	3,073.3		14.5		1,537.9		1,520.9				
Equity-like funds	1,221.3				67.4		1,153.9				
Real estate	516.3		329.5		10.8		176.0				
Other	 727.0		431.3		295.7						
Total	\$ 9,995.6	\$	2,104.5	\$	5,040.0	\$	2,851.1				
Retiree Health Benefit Plans											
Public equity securities:											
U.S.	\$ 40.0	\$	18.2	\$	21.8	\$	_				
International	144.7		51.5		93.2						
Fixed income:											
Developed markets	61.3				61.3						
Emerging markets	36.9				36.9		_				
Private alternative investments:											
Hedge funds	272.3				148.7		123.6				
Equity-like funds	104.5		_		_		104.5				
Cash value of trust owned insurance contract	1,209.7				1,209.7						
Real estate	33.2		33.2		—						
Other	41.1		25.0		16.1						
Total	\$ 1,943.7	\$	127.9	\$	1,587.7	\$	228.1				
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No material transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 occurred during the year ended December 31, 2015.

The activity in the Level 3 investments during the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	Fixed Incom Emergi Marke	ie: ing	Hedge Funds	Equity-like Funds	Real Estate	Total
Defined Benefit Pension Plans						
Beginning balance at January 1, 2015	\$	1.8	\$ 1,583.1	\$ 1,071.4	\$ 165.9	\$ 2,822.2
Actual return on plan assets, including changes in foreign exchange rates:						
Relating to assets still held at the reporting date	(0.1)	89.4	78.3	(6.1)	161.5
Relating to assets sold during the period		_	(111.5)	_	_	(111.5)
Purchases, sales, and settlements, net	(0.3)	(40.1)	4.2	16.2	(20.0)
Transfers into (out of) Level 3	(1.1)	—	—	—	(1.1)
Ending balance at December 31, 2015	\$	0.3	\$ 1,520.9	\$ 1,153.9	\$ 176.0	\$ 2,851.1
Retiree Health Benefit Plans						
Beginning balance at January 1, 2015	\$	0.2	\$ 124.0	\$ 92.3	\$ _	\$ 216.5
Actual return on plan assets, including changes in foreign exchange rates:						
Relating to assets still held at the reporting date		_	14.7	10.3	_	25.0
Relating to assets sold during the period			(11.2)	_	_	(11.2)
Purchases, sales, and settlements, net		_	(3.9)	1.9		(2.0)
Transfers into (out of) Level 3	(0.2)	—			(0.2)
Ending balance at December 31, 2015	\$	—	\$ 123.6	\$ 104.5	\$ —	\$ 228.1

The fair values of our defined benefit pension plan and retiree health plan assets as of December 31, 2014 by asset category are as follows:

			Fair Value Measurements Using									
Asset Class		Total	Acti	oted Prices in ve Markets for ntical Assets (Level 1)	Ob	Significant servable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)				
Defined Benefit Pension Plans												
Public equity securities:												
U.S.	\$	411.4	\$	183.8	\$	227.6	\$					
International		2,337.8		999.7		1,338.1						
Fixed income:												
Developed markets		1,230.7		112.2		1,118.5						
Emerging markets		374.7		8.7		364.2		1.8				
Private alternative investments:												
Hedge funds		3,277.6				1,694.5		1,583.1				
Equity-like funds		1,146.6				75.2		1,071.4				
Real estate		569.0		403.1		—		165.9				
Other		487.9		229.8		258.1						
Total	\$	9,835.7	\$	1,937.3	\$	5,076.2	\$	2,822.2				
Retiree Health Benefit Plans												
Public equity securities:												
U.S.	\$	39.2	\$	17.2	\$	22.0	\$	_				
International		158.9		58.8		100.1		_				
Fixed income:												
Developed markets		61.8				61.8						
Emerging markets		35.5				35.3		0.2				
Private alternative investments:												
Hedge funds		282.7				158.7		124.0				
Equity-like funds		92.3						92.3				
Cash value of trust owned insurance contract		1,189.2				1,189.2						
Real estate		39.0		39.0								
Other		20.1		7.6		12.5		_				
Total	\$	1,918.7	\$	122.6	\$	1,579.6	\$	216.5				
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No material transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 occurred during the year ended December 31, 2014.

The activity in the Level 3 investments during the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Inc Deve	xed ome: eloped rkets	Inco Eme	xed ome: erging rkets		Hedge Funds		uity-like Funds	Real Estate		Total
Defined Benefit Pension Plans											
Beginning balance at January 1, 2014	\$	15.9	\$	—	\$ 1	1,440.4	\$	993.5	\$ 153.4	\$2	2,603.2
Actual return on plan assets, including changes in foreign exchange rates:											
Relating to assets still held at the reporting date		(0.4)		0.1		44.6		108.2	0.2		152.7
Relating to assets sold during the period		(0.8)		_		_		_	_		(0.8)
Purchases, sales, and settlements,		(3.3)		1.7		98.1		(30.3)	12.3		78.5
Transfers into (out of) Level 3		(11.4)				—		``			(11.4)
Ending balance at December 31, 2014	\$		\$	1.8	\$ 1	1,583.1	\$ ´	1,071.4	\$ 165.9	\$ 2	2,822.2
Retiree Health Benefit Plans											
Beginning balance at January 1, 2014	\$	1.6	\$	—	\$	120.6	\$	88.9	\$ —	\$	211.1
Actual return on plan assets, including changes in foreign exchange rates:											
Relating to assets still held at the reporting date		(0.1)		_		1.2		6.0			7.1
Relating to assets sold during the period		(0.1)		_		_		_	_		(0.1)
Purchases, sales, and settlements,		(0.3)		0.2		2.2		(2.6)			(0.5)
Transfers into (out of) Level 3		(1.1)		_							(1.1)
Ending balance at December 31, 2014	\$		\$	0.2	\$	124.0	\$	92.3	\$ 	\$	216.5

In 2016, we expect to contribute approximately \$40 million to our defined benefit pension plans to satisfy minimum funding requirements for the year, along with approximately \$5 million of additional discretionary contributions.

Note 15: Contingencies

We are a party to various legal actions and government investigations. The most significant of these are described below. It is not possible to determine the outcome of these matters, and we cannot reasonably estimate the maximum potential exposure or the range of possible loss in excess of amounts accrued for any of these matters; however, we believe that, except as noted below with respect to the Alimta[®] patent litigation and administrative proceedings, the resolution of all such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or liquidity, but could possibly be material to our consolidated results of operations in any one accounting period.

Litigation accruals, environmental liabilities, and the related estimated insurance recoverables are reflected on a gross basis as liabilities and assets, respectively, on our consolidated balance sheets. With respect to the product liability claims currently asserted against us, we have accrued for our estimated exposures to the extent they are both probable and reasonably estimable based on the information available to us. We accrue for certain product liability claims incurred but not filed to the extent we can formulate a reasonable estimate of their costs. We estimate these expenses based primarily on historical claims experience and data regarding product usage. Legal defense costs expected to be incurred in connection with significant product liability loss contingencies are accrued when both probable and reasonably estimable.

Alimta Patent Litigation and Administrative Proceedings

A number of generic manufacturers are seeking approvals in various countries to market generic forms of Alimta prior to the expiration of our vitamin regimen patents, alleging that those patents are invalid, not infringed, or both. We believe our Alimta vitamin regimen patents are valid and enforceable against these generic manufacturers. However, it is not possible to determine the ultimate outcome of the proceedings, and accordingly, we can provide no assurance that we will prevail. An unfavorable outcome could have a material adverse impact on our future consolidated results of operations, liquidity, and financial position. We expect that a loss of exclusivity for Alimta would result in a rapid and severe decline in future revenues for the product in the relevant market.

U.S. Patent Litigation and Administrative Proceedings

We are engaged in various U.S. patent litigation matters involving Alimta brought pursuant to procedures set out in the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (the Hatch-Waxman Act). More than ten Abbreviated New Drug Applications (ANDAs) seeking approval to market generic versions of Alimta prior to the expiration of our vitamin regimen patent (expiring in 2021 plus pediatric exclusivity expiring in 2022) have been filed by a number of companies, including Teva Parenteral Medicines, Inc. (Teva) and APP Pharmaceuticals, LLC (APP). These companies have also alleged the patent is invalid. In February 2016, we filed a lawsuit alleging infringement against Dr. Reddy's Laboratories in response to their recently filed abbreviated application.

In October 2010, we filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana against Teva, APP and two other defendants seeking rulings that the U.S. vitamin regimen patent is valid and infringed (the Teva/APP litigation). Teva and APP stipulated to infringement of our vitamin regimen patent, with the contingency that Teva and APP would be permitted to litigate the issue of infringement if the U.S. Supreme Court vacated an en banc decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit that dealt with issues of liability related to infringement (*Akamai v. Limelight Networks*). Thus, the sole issue before the district court was to determine patent validity.

Trial occurred in August 2013. In March 2014, the court ruled that the asserted claims of the vitamin regimen patent are valid. In June 2014, the U.S. Supreme Court vacated the *Akamai* decision, and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana held a hearing on the issue of infringement in May 2015. In September 2015, the district court ruled that the vitamin regimen patent would be infringed by the generic challengers' proposed products. Teva and APP filed a notice of appeal with respect to all of the district court's substantive decisions. A decision from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit is expected in late 2016.

Throughout the course of 2012 through 2015, we filed similar lawsuits against other ANDA defendants seeking a ruling that our patents are valid and infringed. Some of these cases have been stayed pending the outcome of the Teva/APP litigation, and these parties have agreed to be bound by the outcome of the Teva/APP litigation.

In 2015, Neptune Generics LLC and Sandoz International GmbH each submitted petitions to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), seeking *inter partes* review (IPR) of our vitamin regimen patent by the USPTO. The USPTO is expected to decide whether to institute an IPR by mid-2016. If instituted, then the final written decision on the merits will be issued by the USPTO by mid-2017.

European Patent Litigation and Administrative Proceedings

Generic manufacturers filed an opposition to the European Patent Office's (EPO) decision to grant us a vitamin regimen patent. The Opposition Division of the EPO upheld the patent and the generic manufacturers lodged an appeal. The EPO appeal hearing was scheduled for November 2015. In October 2015 the generic manufacturers withdrew the appeal, and the hearing was canceled. As a result, the original EPO decision upholding the patent is now final.

In addition, in the United Kingdom (U.K.), Actavis Group ehf and other Actavis companies (collectively, Actavis) filed litigation asking for a declaratory judgment that commercialization of certain salt forms of pemetrexed (the active ingredient in Alimta) would not infringe the vitamin regimen patents in the U.K., Italy, France, and Spain. In May 2014, the trial court ruled that the vitamin regimen patents for Alimta would not be infringed by commercialization of alternative salt forms of pemetrexed, after expiration of the compound patents in December 2015. We appealed, and in June 2015, the U.K. Court of Appeal reversed the trial court, ruling that the Alimta vitamin regimen patent in the U.K. would be indirectly infringed by commercialization of Actavis' products as proposed prior to the patent's expiration in June 2021. The Court of Appeal also held there was no difference between the law in the U.K. and that in France, Italy, and Spain as it relates to indirect

infringement, and so reversed the trial court's decision granting declarations of noninfringement over the Alimta vitamin regimen patents in those countries. In February 2016, the U.K. Supreme Court granted our and Actavis' requests for permission to appeal different aspects of the judgment.

In February 2016, the trial court ruled that Actavis' commercialization of a different proposed product would not infringe the patent in the U.K., Italy, France, and Spain. We will seek permission to appeal this ruling.

We commenced separate infringement proceedings against certain Actavis companies in Germany. Following a trial, in April 2014, the German trial court ruled in our favor. The defendants appealed, and after a hearing in March 2015, the appellate court overturned the trial court and ruled that our vitamin regimen patent in Germany would not be infringed by a dipotassium salt form of pemetrexed. In January 2016, the German Federal Supreme court granted our request to appeal this matter. A hearing is scheduled for mid-2016.

In separate proceedings, in December 2015 we applied for and obtained a preliminary injunction against Hexal AG (Hexal), which had stated their intention to launch a generic disodium salt product in Germany. Hexal has appealed.

We are aware that a generic competitor has received approval to market a generic version of Alimta in a major European market, although we are not aware of whether the competitor's product has entered the market.

Japanese Administrative Proceedings

Three companies have filed separate demands for invalidation of our two vitamin regimen patents with the Japanese Patent Office (JPO). In November 2015, the JPO issued a written decision in the invalidation trial initiated by Sawai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Sawai), and joined by four other companies, upholding both vitamin regimen patents. These patents provide intellectual property protection for Alimta until June 2021. Sawai and Teva, one of the other companies in the Sawai invalidation trial, have filed appeals in both cases. The remaining invalidation trials initiated by the other parties are currently suspended.

Notwithstanding our patents, generic versions of Alimta were approved in Japan in February 2016. We filed preliminary injunctions against four generic competitors. We do not anticipate generic competitors to proceed to launch prior to the completion of the Sawai invalidation trial.

Effient Patent Litigation and Administrative Proceedings

We, along with Daiichi Sankyo, Daiichi Sankyo, Inc., and Ube Industries (Ube) are engaged in U.S. patent litigation involving Effient brought pursuant to procedures set out in the Hatch-Waxman Act. More than ten different companies have submitted ANDAs seeking approval to market generic versions of Effient prior to the expiration of Daiichi Sankyo's and Ube's patents (expiring in 2023) covering methods of using Effient with aspirin, and alleging the patents are invalid. One of these ANDAs also alleges that the compound patent for Effient (expiring in April 2017) is invalid.

Beginning in March 2014, we filed lawsuits in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana against these companies, seeking a ruling that the patents are valid and infringed. These cases have been consolidated. Four generic companies have agreed to be bound by the outcome of the consolidated case.

In 2015, several generic pharmaceutical companies filed petitions with the USPTO, requesting IPR of the method patents. In September 2015, the USPTO granted the generic pharmaceutical companies' request and scheduled review in mid-2016. In light of these petitions, the district court in the consolidated lawsuit stayed the case with respect to all parties.

We believe the Effient patents are valid and enforceable against these generic manufacturers. However, it is not possible to determine the outcome of the proceedings, and accordingly, we can provide no assurance that we will prevail. We expect a loss of exclusivity for Effient would result in a rapid and severe decline in future revenues for the product in the relevant market.

Actos[®] Product Liability Litigation

We have been named along with Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd., and Takeda affiliates (collectively, Takeda) as a defendant in approximately 6,500 product liability cases in the U.S. related to the diabetes medication Actos, which we co-promoted with Takeda in the U.S. from 1999 until 2006. In general, plaintiffs in these

actions allege that Actos caused or contributed to their bladder cancer. Almost all of the active cases have been consolidated in federal multi-district litigation (MDL) in the Western District of Louisiana or are pending in a coordinated state court proceeding in California or a coordinated state court proceeding in Illinois.

In April 2015, Takeda announced they will pay approximately \$2.4 billion to resolve the vast majority of the U.S. product liability lawsuits involving Actos, including the case of *Allen, et al. v. Takeda Pharmaceuticals, et al.*, no. 6:12-md-00064, in which a judgment of approximately \$28 million was entered against Takeda and a judgment of approximately \$9 million was entered against us. In September 2015, Takeda announced that more than 96 percent of eligible claimants have opted into the resolution program that was announced in April 2015. Takeda is now evaluating the submissions to determine whether they satisfy various criteria specified under the terms of the resolution program. Takeda expects the resolution program to become effective upon completion of that review.

Although the vast majority of U.S. product liability lawsuits involving Actos are included in the resolution program announced in April 2015, there may be additional cases pending against Takeda and us following completion of the resolution program. Our agreement with Takeda calls for Takeda to defend and indemnify us against our losses and expenses with respect to the U.S. litigation arising out of the manufacture, use, or sale of Actos and other related expenses in accordance with the terms of the agreement. We believe we are entitled to full indemnification of our losses and expenses in the U.S. cases; however, there can be no guarantee we will ultimately be successful in obtaining full indemnification.

We are also named along with Takeda as a defendant in four purported product liability class actions in Canada related to Actos, including two in Ontario (*Casseres et al. v. Takeda Pharmaceutical North America, Inc., et al. and Carrier et al. v. Eli Lilly et al.*), one in Quebec (*Whyte et al. v. Eli Lilly et al.*), and one in Alberta (*Epp v. Takeda Canada et al.*). We promoted Actos in Canada until 2009.

We believe these lawsuits are without merit, and we and Takeda are prepared to defend against them vigorously.

Byetta Product Liability Litigation

We are named as a defendant in approximately 510 Byetta product liability lawsuits in the U.S. involving approximately 1,035 plaintiffs. Approximately 110 of these lawsuits, covering about 630 plaintiffs, are filed in California state court and coordinated in a Los Angeles Superior Court. Approximately 395 lawsuits, covering about 400 plaintiffs, are filed in federal court, the majority of which are coordinated in a MDL in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California. The remaining approximately five lawsuits, representing about five plaintiffs, are in various state courts. Approximately 450 of the lawsuits, involving approximately 690 plaintiffs, contain allegations that Byetta caused or contributed to the plaintiffs' cancer (primarily pancreatic cancer or thyroid cancer). The federal and state trial courts granted summary judgment in favor of us and co-defendants on the claims alleging pancreatic cancer; those rulings are being appealed by the plaintiffs. We are aware of approximately 10 additional claimants who have not yet filed suit. These additional claims allege damages for pancreatic cancer or thyroid cancer. We believe these lawsuits and claims are without merit and are prepared to defend against them vigorously.

Cymbalta[®] Product Liability Litigation

In October 2012, we were named as a defendant in a purported class-action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California (*Saavedra et al v. Eli Lilly and Company*) involving Cymbalta. The plaintiffs, purporting to represent a class of all persons within the U.S. who purchased and/or paid for Cymbalta, asserted claims under the consumer protection statutes of four states, California, Massachusetts, Missouri, and New York, and sought declaratory, injunctive, and monetary relief for various alleged economic injuries arising from discontinuing treatment with Cymbalta. In December 2014, the district court denied the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. Plaintiffs filed a petition with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit requesting permission to file an interlocutory appeal of the denial of class certification, which was denied. Plaintiffs filed a second motion for certification under the consumer protection acts of New York and Massachusetts. The district court denied that motion for class certification in July 2015. The district court dismissed the suit and plaintiffs are appealing to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Additionally, we are named in approximately 140 lawsuits involving approximately 1,300 plaintiffs filed in various federal and state courts alleging injuries arising from discontinuation of treatment with Cymbalta.

Counsel for plaintiffs in the federal court proceedings filed a petition seeking to have then-filed cases and an unspecified number of future cases coordinated into a federal MDL in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. In December 2014, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (JPML) denied the plaintiffs' petition for creation of an MDL. Plaintiffs' counsel subsequently filed a second petition seeking MDL consolidation, which petition was denied by the JPML in October 2015. There have been approximately 35 individual and multi-plaintiff cases filed in California state court. Most of those cases have been centralized in a California Judicial Counsel Coordination Proceeding pending in Los Angeles. The first individual product liability cases were tried in August 2015 and resulted in defense verdicts against four plaintiffs. Two of those plaintiffs are appealing the verdicts against them.

We believe all these Cymbalta lawsuits and claims are without merit and are prepared to defend against them vigorously.

Prozac[®] Product Liability Litigation

We are named as a defendant in approximately 10 U.S. lawsuits primarily related to allegations that the antidepressant Prozac caused or contributed to birth defects in the children of women who ingested the drug during pregnancy. We are aware of approximately 515 additional claims related to birth defects, which have not yet been filed. We believe these lawsuits and claims are without merit and are prepared to defend against them vigorously.

Brazil–Employee Litigation

Our subsidiary in Brazil, Eli Lilly do Brasil Limitada (Lilly Brasil), is named in a lawsuit brought by the Labor Attorney for 15th Region in the Labor Court of Paulinia, State of Sao Paulo, Brazil, alleging possible harm to employees and former employees caused by exposure to heavy metals at a former Lilly manufacturing facility in Cosmopolis, Brazil, operated by the company between 1977 and 2003. The plaintiffs allege that some employees at the facility were exposed to benzene and heavy metals; however, Lilly Brasil maintains that these alleged contaminants were never used in the facility. In May 2014, the labor court judge ruled against Lilly Brasil. The judge's ruling orders Lilly Brasil to undertake several actions of unspecified financial impact, including paying lifetime medical insurance for the employees and contractors who worked at the Cosmopolis facility more than six months during the affected years and their children born during and after this period. While we cannot currently estimate the range of reasonably possible financial losses that could arise in the event we do not ultimately prevail in the litigation, the judge has estimated the total financial impact of the ruling to be approximately 1.0 billion Brazilian real (approximately \$255 million as of December 31, 2015) plus interest. We strongly disagree with the decision and filed an appeal in May 2014.

We are also named in approximately 25 lawsuits filed in the same court by individual former employees making similar claims. We believe these lawsuits are without merit and are prepared to defend against them vigorously.

Product Liability Insurance

Because of the nature of pharmaceutical products, it is possible that we could become subject to large numbers of product liability and related claims in the future. Due to a very restrictive market for product liability insurance, we are self-insured for product liability losses for all our currently marketed products.

Note 16: Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following table summarizes the activity related to each component of other comprehensive income (loss):

(Amounts presented net of taxes)	Foreign Currency Translation Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Net Gains (Losses) on Securities	Defined Benefit Pension and Retiree Health Benefit Plans	Effective Portion of Cash Flow Hedges	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss
Beginning balance at January 1, 2013	\$ 426.8	\$ 72.5	\$ (4,195.2)	\$ (101.2)	\$ (3,797.1)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	36.2	138.9	1,387.1	(86.5)	1,475.7
Net amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(6.2)	319.0	5.9	318.7
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	36.2	132.7	1,706.1	(80.6)	1,794.4
Balance at December 31, 2013	463.0	205.2	(2,489.1)	(181.8)	(2,002.7)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(961.4)	105.2	(1,098.5)	(15.2)	(1,969.9)
Net amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(210.7)	185.6	5.9	(19.2)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	(961.4)	(105.5)	(912.9)	(9.3)	(1,989.1)
Balance at December 31, 2014	(498.4)	99.7	(3,402.0)	(191.1)	(3,991.8)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(861.8)	38.6	155.0	(36.9)	(705.1)
Net amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(128.2)	234.9	9.5	116.2
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	(861.8)	(89.6)	389.9	(27.4)	(588.9)
Ending Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ (1,360.2)	\$ 10.1	\$ (3,012.1)	\$ (218.5)	\$ (4,580.7)

The tax effects on the net activity related to each component of other comprehensive income (loss) for the years ended December 31, were as follows:

Tax (expense) benefit	2015	2014	2013
Foreign currency translation gains (losses)	\$ (2.0)	\$ _	\$ —
Unrealized net gains (losses) on securities	48.5	56.7	(71.6)
Defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans	(183.0)	414.7	(886.1)
Effective portion of cash flow hedges	14.6	5.2	43.2
Provision for income taxes related to other comprehensive income (loss) items	\$ (121.9)	\$ 476.6	\$ (914.5)

Except for the tax effects of foreign currency translation gains (losses) related to our euro-denominated notes (see Note 7), income taxes were not provided for foreign currency translation.

	 Co	ompr	ehensive Lo	oss		_
Details about Accumulated Other	 Year	End	ed Decemb	er 31	,	Affected Line Item in the Consolidated
Comprehensive Loss Components	2015		2014		2013	Statements of Operations
Amortization of defined benefit items:						
Prior service benefits, net	\$ (80.7)	\$	(34.0)	\$	(31.9)	(1)
Actuarial losses	421.2		303.0		515.2	(1)
Total before tax	340.5		269.0		483.3	
Tax benefit	 (105.6)	_	(83.4)		(164.3)	Income taxes
Net of tax	234.9		185.6		319.0	
Unrealized gains/losses on available-for-sale securities:						
Realized gains, net	(209.3)		(324.1)		(12.0)	Other-net, (income) expense
Impairment losses	12.0		_		2.4	Other—net, (income) expense
Total before tax	(197.3)		(324.1)		(9.6)	-
Tax expense	 69.1		113.4		3.4	Income taxes
Net of tax	(128.2)		(210.7)		(6.2)	
Other, net of tax	 9.5		5.9		5.9	Other—net, (income) expense
Total reclassifications for the period (net of tax)	\$ 116.2	\$	(19.2)	\$	318.7	

Reclassifications Out of Accumulated Other

⁽¹⁾ These accumulated other comprehensive loss components are included in the computation of net periodic pension cost (see Note 14).

Note 17: Other-Net, (Income) Expense

Other-net, (income) expense consisted of the following:

	2015	2014	2013
Income related to termination of the exenatide collaboration with Amylin (Note 4)	\$ _	\$ _	\$ (495.4)
Interest expense	161.2	148.8	160.1
Interest income	(87.0)	(121.0)	(119.7)
Debt extinguishment loss (Note 10)	166.7	_	_
Other income	 (341.5)	(368.3)	(63.9)
Other-net, (income) expense	\$ (100.6)	\$ (340.5)	\$ (518.9)

For the year ended December 31, 2015, other income is primarily related to net gains on investments (Note 7). For the year ended December 31, 2014, other income is primarily related to net gains on investments (Note 7) and income related to the transfer to Boehringer Ingelheim of our license rights to co-promote linagliptin and empagliflozin in certain countries (Note 4).

Note 18: Segment Information

We operate in two business segments—human pharmaceutical products and animal health. Our business segments are distinguished by the ultimate end user of the product—humans or animals. Performance is evaluated based on profit or loss from operations before income taxes. The accounting policies of the individual segments are the same as those described throughout the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Our human pharmaceutical products segment includes the discovery, development, manufacturing, marketing, and sales of human pharmaceutical products worldwide in the following therapeutic areas: endocrinology, neuroscience, oncology, cardiovascular, and other. We lost U.S. patent exclusivity for Cymbalta in December 2013 and Evista[®] in March 2014, which resulted in the immediate entry of generic competitors and a rapid and severe decline in revenue.

Our animal health segment, operating through our Elanco animal health division, includes the development, manufacturing, marketing, and sales of animal health products worldwide for both food and companion animals. Animal health products include Rumensin[®], Posilac[®], Tylan[®], Denagard[®], Maxiban[®], Optaflexx[®], and other products for livestock and poultry, as well as Trifexis[®], Comfortis[®], and other products for companion animals. The animal health segment amounts for the year ended December 31, 2015 include the results of operations from Novartis AH, which was acquired on January 1, 2015 (Note 3).

Most of our pharmaceutical products are distributed through wholesalers that serve pharmacies, physicians and other health care professionals, and hospitals. For the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, our three largest wholesalers each accounted for between 8 percent and 19 percent of consolidated total revenue. Further, they each accounted for between 9 percent and 16 percent of accounts receivable as of December 31, 2015 and 2014. Animal health products are sold primarily to wholesale distributors.

We manage our assets on a total company basis, not by operating segment, as the assets of the animal health business are intermixed with those of the pharmaceutical products business. Therefore, our chief operating decision maker does not review any asset information by operating segment and, accordingly, we do not report asset information by operating segment.

We are exposed to the risk of changes in social, political, and economic conditions inherent in foreign operations, and our results of operations and the value of our foreign assets are affected by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

	2015	2014	2013
Segment revenue—to unaffiliated customers:			
Human pharmaceutical products:			
Endocrinology:			
Humalog [®]	\$ 2,841.9	\$ 2,785.2	\$ 2,611.2
Forteo®	1,348.3	1,322.0	1,244.9
Humulin [®]	1,307.4	1,400.1	1,315.8
Trajenta	356.8	328.8	249.2
Trulicity®	248.7	10.2	—
Evista	237.3	419.8	1,050.4
Other Endocrinology	 696.4	672.9	832.9
Total Endocrinology	7,036.8	6,939.0	7,304.4
Neuroscience:			
Cymbalta	1,027.6	1,614.7	5,084.4
Zyprexa [®]	940.3	1,037.3	1,194.8
Strattera®	784.0	738.5	709.2
Other Neuroscience	183.5	206.0	227.8
Total Neuroscience	2,935.4	3,596.5	7,216.2

The following table summarizes our revenue activity:

		2015		2014		2013
Oncology:						
Alimta		2,493.1		2,792.0		2,703.0
Erbitux		485.0		373.3		373.7
Cyramza [®]		383.8		75.6		—
Other Oncology		147.9		152.1		191.8
Total Oncology		3,509.8		3,393.0		3,268.5
Cardiovascular:						
Cialis®		2,310.7		2,291.0		2,159.4
Effient		523.0		522.2		508.7
Other Cardiovascular		234.3		240.3		255.1
Total Cardiovascular	_	3,068.0	_	3,053.5	_	2,923.2
Other pharmaceuticals		<u>227.7</u> 16,777.7		287.0		249.3 20,961.6
Total human pharmaceutical products Animal health		3,181.0		2,346.6		20,961.6
Revenue	¢	19,958.7	\$	· · ·	¢	23,113.1
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Segment profits:						
Human pharmaceutical products	\$	4,026.7	\$	3,604.6	\$	5,521.0
Animal health	Ψ	597.9	Ψ	621.8	Ψ	605.6
Total segment profits	\$	4,624.6	\$	4,226.4	\$	6,126.6
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Reconciliation of total segment profits to consolidated income						
before taxes:	•		•		•	
Segment profits	\$	4,624.6	\$	4,226.4	\$	6,126.6
Other profits (losses):						
Inventory fair value adjustment related to Novartis AH (Note 3)		(153.0)		_		_
Acquired in-process research and development (Notes 3 and						
4)		(535.0)		(200.2)		(57.1)
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges (Note 5)		(367.7)		(468.7)		(120.6)
Debt repurchase charges, net ⁽¹⁾ (Note 10)		(152.7)				
Amortization of intangible assets ⁽²⁾ (Note 8)		(626.2)		(530.2)		(555.0)
Income related to transfer of linagliptin and empagliflozin rights in certain countries to Boehringer Ingelheim (Note 4)		_		92.0		_
U.S. Branded Prescription Drug Fee		_		(119.0)		
Income related to termination of the exenatide collaboration with Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Note 4)				(105 A
	*	-	<u>^</u>		<u>^</u>	495.4
Consolidated income before taxes	\$	2,790.0	\$	3,000.3	\$	5,889.3

⁽¹⁾ We recognized pretax net charges of \$152.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, attributable to the debt extinguishment loss of \$166.7 million from the purchase and redemption of certain fixed-rate notes, partially offset by net gains from non-hedging interest rate swaps and foreign currency transactions associated with the related issuance of euro-denominated notes.

⁽²⁾ In 2015, the measurement of segment profitability was changed to exclude certain amortization of intangible assets. The prior periods have been adjusted to conform with the 2015 presentation.

Depreciation and software amortization expense included in our segment profits was as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Human pharmaceutical products	\$ 720.7	\$ 790.0	\$ 838.8
Animal health	 80.8	58.8	51.8
Total depreciation expense included in segment profits	\$ 801.5	\$ 848.8	\$ 890.6

For internal management reporting presented to the chief operating decision maker, certain costs are fully allocated to our human pharmaceutical products segment and therefore are not reflected in the animal health segment's profit. Such items include costs associated with treasury-related financing, global administrative services, certain acquisition-related transaction costs, and certain manufacturing costs.

	2015	2014	2013
Geographic Information			
Revenue—to unaffiliated customers ⁽¹⁾ :			
United States	\$ 10,097.4	\$ 9,134.1	\$ 12,889.7
Europe	3,943.6	4,506.7	4,338.4
Japan	2,033.1	2,027.1	2,063.8
Other foreign countries	 3,884.6	3,947.7	3,821.2
Revenue	\$ 19,958.7	\$ 19,615.6	\$ 23,113.1
Long-lived assets ⁽²⁾ :			
United States	\$ 4,576.8	\$ 4,566.2	\$ 4,649.6
Europe	2,306.4	2,401.5	2,469.7
Japan	89.2	80.4	81.1
Other foreign countries	 1,724.2	1,499.1	1,540.9
Long-lived assets	\$ 8,696.6	\$ 8,547.2	\$ 8,741.3

⁽¹⁾ Revenue is attributed to the countries based on the location of the customer.

⁽²⁾ Long-lived assets consist of property and equipment, net, and certain sundry assets.

Note 19: Selected Quarterly Data (unaudited)

2015	Fourth	Third	Second	First
Revenue	\$ 5,375.6	\$ 4,959.7	\$ 4,978.7	\$ 4,644.7
Cost of sales	1,389.2	1,236.9	1,218.4	1,192.7
Operating expenses ⁽¹⁾	3,242.6	2,719.1	2,804.9	2,562.8
Acquired in-process research and development	199.0	_	80.0	256.0
Asset impairment, restructuring, and other special charges	144.9	42.4	72.4	108.0
Other—net, (income) expense	(44.7)	(86.5)	123.3	(92.7)
Income before income taxes	444.6	1,047.8	679.7	617.9
Net income	478.4	799.7	600.8	529.5
Earnings per share—basic	0.45	0.75	0.57	0.50
Earnings per share—diluted	0.45	0.75	0.56	0.50
Dividends paid per share	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Common stock closing prices:				
High	87.52	89.98	86.59	76.36
Low	76.98	78.26	70.89	68.41
2014	Fourth	Third	Second	First
2014 Revenue	Fourth \$ 5,121.3	Third \$ 4,875.6	Second \$ 4,935.6	First \$ 4,683.1
Revenue	\$ 5,121.3	\$ 4,875.6	\$ 4,935.6	\$ 4,683.1
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⁽¹⁾ Includes research and development and marketing, selling, and administrative expenses.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), NYSE Euronext, and SIX Swiss Exchange.

61.90

60.35

50.73

58.21

Low

Management's Reports

Management's Report for Financial Statements-Eli Lilly and Company and Subsidiaries

Management of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries is responsible for the accuracy, integrity, and fair presentation of the financial statements. The statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States and include amounts based on judgments and estimates by management. In management's opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

In addition to the system of internal accounting controls, we maintain a code of conduct (known as "*The Red Book*") that applies to all employees worldwide, requiring proper overall business conduct, avoidance of conflicts of interest, compliance with laws, and confidentiality of proprietary information. All employees must take training annually on *The Red Book* and are required to report suspected violations. A hotline number is published in *The Red Book* to enable employees to report suspected violations anonymously. Employees who report suspected violations are protected from discrimination or retaliation by the company. In addition to *The Red Book*, the CEO and all financial management must sign a financial code of ethics, which further reinforces their fiduciary responsibilities.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm. Their responsibility is to examine our consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Ernst & Young's opinion with respect to the fairness of the presentation of the statements is included in Item 8 of our annual report on Form 10-K. Ernst & Young reports directly to the audit committee of the board of directors.

Our audit committee includes four nonemployee members of the board of directors, all of whom are independent from our company. The committee charter, which is available on our website, outlines the members' roles and responsibilities and is consistent with enacted corporate reform laws and regulations. It is the audit committee's responsibility to appoint an independent registered public accounting firm subject to shareholder ratification, approve both audit and non-audit services performed by the independent registered public accounting firm, and review the reports submitted by the firm. The audit committee meets several times during the year with management, the internal auditors, and the independent public accounting firm to discuss audit activities, internal controls, and financial reporting matters, including reviews of our externally published financial results. The internal auditors and the independent registered public accounting firm have full and free access to the committee.

We are dedicated to ensuring that we maintain the high standards of financial accounting and reporting that we have established. We are committed to providing financial information that is transparent, timely, complete, relevant, and accurate. Our culture demands integrity and an unyielding commitment to strong internal practices and policies. Finally, we have the highest confidence in our financial reporting, our underlying system of internal controls, and our people, who are objective in their responsibilities and operate under a code of conduct and the highest level of ethical standards.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting—Eli Lilly and Company and Subsidiaries

Management of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We have global financial policies that govern critical areas, including internal controls, financial accounting and reporting, fiduciary accountability, and safeguarding of corporate assets. Our internal accounting control systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and are properly recorded, and that accounting records are adequate for preparation of financial statements and other financial information. A staff of internal auditors regularly monitors, on a worldwide basis, the adequacy and effectiveness of internal accounting controls. The general auditor reports directly to the audit committee of the board of directors.

We conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in "2013 *Internal Control—Integrated Framework*" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Our evaluation excluded the current year acquisition of Novartis Animal Health. The operations acquired from Novartis AG represented approximately 3% of our consolidated total assets and 5% of our consolidated net sales as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Based on our evaluation under this framework, we concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2015. However, because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The internal control over financial reporting has been assessed by Ernst & Young LLP as of December 31, 2015. Their responsibility is to evaluate whether internal control over financial reporting was designed and operating effectively.

John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D. *Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer*

Derica W. Rice Executive Vice President, Global Services and Chief Financial Officer

February 19, 2016

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Eli Lilly and Company

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries at December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method for classifying deferred tax liabilities and assets as a result of the adoption of the amendments to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification resulting from Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-17, Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework), and our report dated February 19, 2016, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernst + Young LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana February 19, 2016

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Eli Lilly and Company

We have audited Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries' management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

As indicated in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, management's assessment of and conclusion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting did not include the internal controls of Novartis Animal Health, which is included in the 2015 consolidated financial statements of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries and constituted 3% of total assets as of December 31, 2015 and 5% of revenues for the year then ended. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries and evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of Novartis Animal Health.

In our opinion, Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the 2015 consolidated financial statements of Eli Lilly and Company and subsidiaries and our report dated February 19, 2016 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernet + Young LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana February 19, 2016

Selected Financial Data (unaudited)

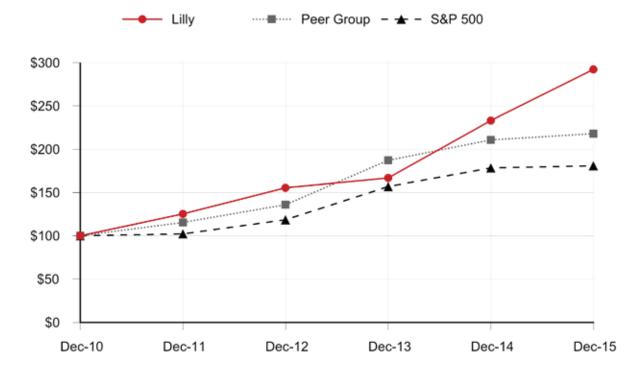
ELI LILLY AND COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES (Dollars in millions, except revenue per										
employee and per-share data)		2015		2014		2013		2012		2011
Operations										
Revenue	\$	19,958.7	\$	19,615.6	\$	23,113.1	\$	22,603.4	\$	24,286.5
Cost of sales		5,037.2		4,932.5		4,908.1		4,796.5		5,067.9
Research and development		4,796.4		4,733.6		5,531.3		5,278.1		5,020.8
Marketing, selling, and administrative		6,533.0		6,620.8		7,125.6		7,513.5		7,879.9
Other		802.1		328.4		(341.2)		(392.9)		968.4
Income before income taxes		2,790.0		3,000.3		5,889.3		5,408.2		5,349.5
Income taxes		381.6		609.8		1,204.5		1,319.6		1,001.8
Net income		2,408.4		2,390.5		4,684.8		4,088.6		4,347.7
Net income as a percent of revenue		12.1%		12.2%		20.3%		18.1%		17.9%
	•		•		•		•		•	
Net income per share—diluted	\$	2.26	\$	2.23	\$	4.32	\$	3.66	\$	3.90
Dividends declared per share		2.01		1.97		1.96		1.96		1.96
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding—diluted (thousands)	_1	1,065,720		1,074,286		1,084,766		1,117,294		1,113,967
Financial Position										
Current assets ⁽¹⁾	\$	12,573.6	\$	11,928.3	\$	12,820.4	\$	12,790.3	\$	13,884.6
Current liabilities ⁽¹⁾		8,229.6		9,741.0		8,123.8		7,341.5		8,508.6
Property and equipment—net		8,053.5		7,963.9		7,975.5		7,760.2		7,760.3
Total assets ⁽¹⁾		35,568.9		36,307.6		35,210.8		33,316.1		33,216.5
Long-term debt		7,972.4		5,332.8		4,200.3		5,519.4		5,464.7
Total equity		14,590.3		15,388.1		17,640.7		14,773.9		13,535.6
Supplementary Data										
Return on total equity		16.1%		13.7%		29.5%		27.8%		31.4%
Return on assets ⁽¹⁾		6.8%		6.8%		14.1%		12.5%		13.5%
Capital expenditures	\$	1,066.2	\$	1,162.6	\$	1,012.1	\$	905.4	\$	672.0
Depreciation and amortization		1,427.7		1,379.0		1,445.6		1,462.2		1,373.6
Effective tax rate		13.7%		20.3%		20.5%		24.4%		18.7%
Revenue per employee	\$	484,000	\$	501,000	\$	609,000	\$	590,000	\$	638,000
Number of employees		41,275		39,135		37,925		38,350		38,080
Number of shareholders of record		28,000		29,300		31,900		33,600		35,200

⁽¹⁾ Amounts have been adjusted to reflect the retrospective application of Accounting Standards Update 2015-17 Income Taxes: Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes. See Note 2 to consolidated financial statements.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

This graph compares the return on Lilly stock with that of the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index and our peer group for the years 2011 through 2015. The graph assumes that, on December 31, 2010, a person invested \$100 each in Lilly stock, the S&P 500 Stock Index, and the peer groups' common stock. The graph measures total shareholder return, which takes into account both stock price and dividends. It assumes that dividends paid by a company are reinvested in that company's stock.

Value of \$100 Invested on Last Business Day of 2010 Comparison of Five-Year Cumulative Total Return Among Lilly, S&P 500 Stock Index, and Peer Group⁽¹⁾



	Lilly	Pe	er Group	S	&P 500
Dec-10	\$ 100.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00
Dec-11	\$ 125.15	\$	115.41	\$	102.11
Dec-12	\$ 155.52	\$	135.93	\$	118.45
Dec-13	\$ 166.77	\$	187.14	\$	156.82
Dec-14	\$ 233.07	\$	210.73	\$	178.28
Dec-15	\$ 292.20	\$	218.03	\$	180.75

⁽¹⁾ We constructed the peer group as the industry index for this graph. It comprises the public companies in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries that we used to benchmark the compensation of executive officers for 2015 (other than Allergan Inc.): Abbott Laboratories; AbbVie Inc.; Amgen Inc.; AstraZeneca PLC; Baxter International Inc.; Biogen Idec Inc.; Bristol-Myers Squibb Company; Celgene Corporation; Gilead Sciences Inc.; GlaxoSmithKline plc; Johnson & Johnson; Medtronic plc; Merck & Co., Inc.; Novartis AG.; Pfizer Inc.; and Sanofi. The peer group total shareholder return reflected above excludes Allergan Inc. as it was acquired in 2015.

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Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

To the holders of Common Stock of Eli Lilly and Company:

The 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Eli Lilly and Company will be held as shown below:

•	WHEN:	11:00 a.m. EDT, Monday, May 2, 2016
•	WHERE:	The Lilly Center Auditorium Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana 46285
•	ITEMS OF BUSINESS:	Election of the five directors listed in the proxy statement to serve three-year terms
		Approval, by non-binding vote, of the compensation paid to the company's named executive officers
		Ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as the principal independent auditors for 2016
		If presented, a shareholder proposal seeking a report regarding how we select the countries in which we operate or invest
•	WHO CAN VOTE:	Shareholders of record at the close of business on February 26, 2016

This proxy statement is dated March 21, 2016 and is first being sent or given to our shareholders on or about the date.

See the back page of this report for information regarding how to attend the meeting. Every shareholder vote is important. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, please sign, date, and return your proxy and/or voting instructions by mail, telephone or through the Internet promptly so that a quorum may be represented at the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,

James B. Lootens Secretary

March 21, 2016 Indianapolis, Indiana

Important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the shareholder meeting to be held May 2, 2016: The annual report and proxy statement are available at https://www.lilly.com/_Assets/PDF/ lillyar2015.pdf.

Proxy Statement Overview

General Information

This overview highlights information contained elsewhere in this proxy statement. It does not contain all the information you should consider, and you should read the entire proxy statement carefully before voting.

Meeting:	Annual Meeting of Shareholders	Date:	May 2, 2016			
Time:	11:00 a.m. EDT	Location:	The Lilly Center Auditorium			
Record Date:	February 26, 2016		Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana 46285			
Items of Business:	Item 1 : Election of the five director three-year terms.	ors listed in this p	proxy statement to serve			
		em 2 : Approval, by non-binding vote, of the compensation paid to the ompany's named executive officers.				
	Item 3: Ratification of Ernst & You for 2016.	ung LLP as the p	rincipal independent auditors			
	Item 4: If presented, a shareholde select the countries in which we o					

What Is New In This Year's Proxy Statement

In 2015, we returned to revenue and earnings growth, launched a number of new products, made significant late-stage pipeline progress, and delivered strong returns to shareholders. As a result, we resumed annual increases to base salaries and delivered incentive compensation reflective of our performance.

Additionally, we restated our executive officers' share ownership requirements from a fixed number of shares to a multiple of annual base salary for all executives, excluding the CEO. The CEO's requirement remains six times annual base salary.

In February 2016, we welcomed Juan R. Luciano to the board. Mr. Luciano is the Chairman and CEO of Archer Daniels Midland Company.

Highlights of 2015 Company Performance

The following provides a brief look at our 2015 performance in three dimensions: operating performance, innovation progress, and returns to shareholders. See our 2015 annual report on Form 10-K for more details.

Operating Performance

In 2015, we returned to revenue and earnings growth following a multi-year period of patent expirations. This growth was led by several pharmaceutical products, including Cyramza, Trulicity and Humalog, as well as Erbitux due to the transfer of commercialization rights in North America. This growth was partially offset by the residual impact of the loss of exclusivity for Cymbalta and Evista.

Performance highlights included:

- 2015 revenue increased 2 percent to approximately \$20 billion.
- 2015 earnings per share (EPS) increased 1 percent on a reported basis to \$2.26, and increased 13
 percent on a non-GAAP basis to \$3.43.

*A reconciliation of GAAP and externally reported non-GAAP measures is included in Appendix A.

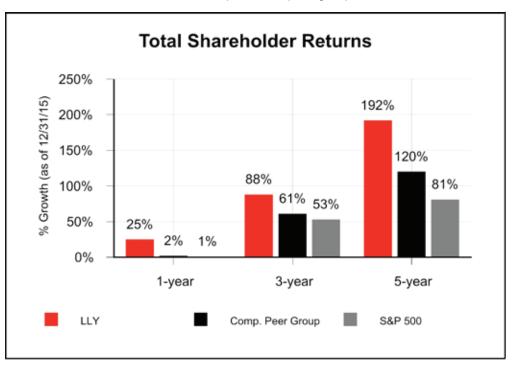
Innovation Progress

We made significant advances with our pipeline in 2015, including:

- U.S. FDA approval of six new products, including Portrazza™, in combination with gecitabine and cisplatin, Cyramza[®] for treatment of colorectal cancer, Glyxambi[®], Basaglar[®], and Synjardy[®].
- A late-stage pipeline including 9 potential new medicines or diagnostic agents in either Phase III development or submission stage.
- FDA Breakthrough Therapy Designations for abemaciclib for patients with refractory hormonereceptor-positive advanced or metastatic breast cancer and for olaratumab for advanced or metastatic soft-tissue sarcoma.
- Positive Phase III results for ixekizumab, an investigational medicine for patients with psoriatic arthritis.
- Positive Phase III results for baricitinib, an investigational medicine for patients with moderately-toseverely active rheumatoid arthritis.
- Positive results from a long-term clinical trial investigating cardiovascular outcomes for Jardiance[®].

Returns to Shareholders

We generated strong total shareholder returns (share price appreciation plus dividends, reinvested quarterly) for the one-, three-, and five-year periods through year-end 2015, including a 25% percent increase from 2014 to 2015. Our returns exceeded both the compensation peer group and the S&P 500 in all three periods:



Consistent with our ongoing commitment to returning excess cash to shareholders, we returned approximately \$2.9 billion in cash to shareholders in 2015 in the form of dividends and share repurchases. In the past four years, we have returned \$12.5 billion in cash to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases.

Item 1: Election of Directors (pages 8-25)

Name and principal occupation	Joined the Board	Age	Public boards	Management recommendation	Vote required to pass
Ralph Alvarez			Skylark Co., Ltd.		
Executive Chairman - Skylark Co., Ltd.	2009	60	Lowe's Companies, Inc.	Vote FOR	Majority of
			Dunkin' Brands Group, Inc.		votes cast
			Realogy Holdings Corp.		
R. David Hoover			Ball Corporation		Majority of
Former Chairman, President and CEO - Ball	2009	70	Edgewell Personal Care Co.	Vote FOR	votes cast
Corporation			Steelcase, Inc.		
Juan R. Luciano			Archer Daniels Midland Co.		Majority of
Chief Executive Officer and President - Archer Daniels Midland Company	2016	53		Vote FOR	votes cast
Franklyn G. Prendergast, M.D., Ph.D.			Cancer Genetics Incorporated		Majority of
Former Edmond and Marion Guggenheim Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology - Mayo Medical Clinic	1995	71		Vote FOR	Majority of votes cast
Kathi P. Seifert			Investors Community Bank		Majority of
Former Executive Vice President - Kimberly- Clark Corporation	1995	66	Lexmark International, Inc.	Vote FOR	Majority of votes cast

Our Corporate Governance Policies Reflect Best Practices

- Our Board membership is marked by leadership, experience, and diversity.
- All 13 of our nonemployee directors, and all Board committee members, are independent.
- We have a strong, independent lead director role.
- Our Board actively participates in company strategy and CEO/senior executive succession planning.
- Our Board oversees compliance and enterprise risk management practices.
- We have in place meaningful stock ownership requirements.
- We have a majority voting standard and resignation policy for the election of directors.

Compensation (pages 27-52)

<u>Item 2</u>: Advisory Vote on Compensation Paid to Named Executive Officers (pages 27-28)

		Management recommendation	Vote required to pass
Item 2	Approve, by non-binding vote, compensation paid to the company's named executive officers	Vote FOR	Majority of votes cast

Our Executive Compensation Programs Reflect Best Practices

- We have had strong shareholder support of compensation practices: in 2015, over 98 percent of shares cast voted in favor of our executive compensation.
- Our compensation programs are designed to align with shareholder interests and link pay to performance through a blend of short- and long-term performance measures.
- Our Compensation Committee annually reviews compensation programs to ensure appropriate risk mitigation.
- We have a broad compensation recovery policy that applies to all executives and covers a wide range of misconduct.

- Our executives are subject to robust stock ownership guidelines and are prohibited from hedging or pledging their company stock.
- We do not have "top hat" retirement plans supplemental plans are open to all employees and are limited to restoring benefits lost due to IRS limits on qualified plans.
- We do not provide tax gross-ups to executive officers (except for limited gross-ups related to international assignments).
- We have a very restrictive policy on perquisites.
- Our severance plans related to change-in-control generally require a double trigger.
- We do not have employment agreements with any of our executive officers.

Executive Compensation Summary for 2015

At the time the total target compensation was established at the end of 2014, compensation for our named executive officers (the five officers whose compensation is disclosed in this proxy statement) was in the middle range of the company's peer group. Incentive compensation program payouts were increased, consistent with the company's strong performance in 2015, as outlined below under "Pay for Performance."

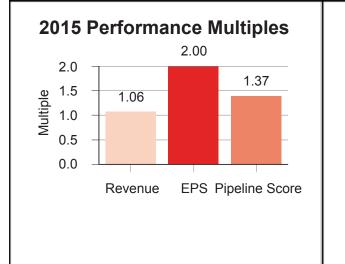
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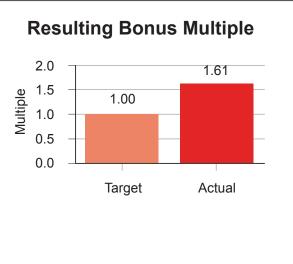
As described more fully in the Compensation Disclosures and Analysis (CD&A) section, we link our incentive pay programs to a balanced mix of measures on three dimensions of company performance: (1) operating performance; (2) progress with our innovation pipeline; and (3) shareholder returns.

The summary information below highlights how our incentive pay programs align with company performance. Please see the CD&A for details of how our three incentive pay programs work and how the payouts for 2015 were calculated. Please also see Appendix A for adjustments that were made to revenue and earnings per share (EPS) for incentive compensation programs.

2015 Annual Bonus Multiple

The company exceeded its annual bonus targets for revenue, EPS, and pipeline progress.

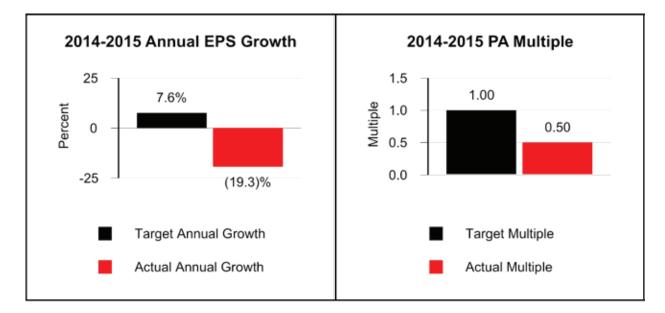




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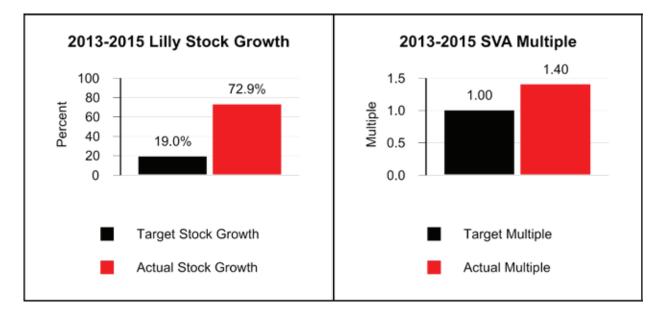
2015 Performance Award Multiple

We fell short of our EPS targets under our Performance Award program, which has targets based on expected EPS growth of peer companies over a two-year period.



2015 Shareholder Value Award Multiple

We significantly exceeded our stock price growth targets under our Shareholder Value Award program, which has targets based on expected large-cap company returns over a three-year period.



<u>Item 3</u>: Proposal to Ratify Appointment of Independent Auditor (pages 53-55)

	Management recommendation	Vote required to pass
Ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the company's principal independent auditor for 2016	Vote FOR	Majority of votes cast

Shareholder Proposal (pages 56-57)

Item 4: Proposal Seeking A Report Regarding How We Select the Countries in Which We Operate and Invest (pages 56-57)

		Management recommendation	Vote required to pass
	Consider a shareholder proposal seeking a report regarding how we select the countries in which we operate and invest	Vote AGAINST	Majority of votes cast

Other Information (pages 57-60)

How to Vote in Advance of the Meeting

Even if you plan to attend the 2016 Annual Meeting in person, we encourage you to vote prior to the meeting via one of the methods described below. You can vote in advance via one of three ways:

Visit the website listed on your proxy card/voting instruction form to vote VIA THE INTERNET

Call the telephone number on your proxy card/voting instruction form to vote BY TELEPHONE

Sign, date and return your proxy card/voting instruction form to vote BY MAIL

Further information on how to vote is provided at the end of the proxy statement under "Meeting and Voting Logistics".

Voting at our 2016 Annual Meeting

You may also opt to vote in person at the 2016 Annual Meeting, which will be held on Monday, May 2, 2016 at the Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, IN 46285, at 11:00 a.m., local time. See the section entitled "Meeting and Voting Logistics" for more information.

Governance

Item 1. Election of Directors

Under the company's articles of incorporation, the Board is divided into three classes with approximately onethird of the directors standing for election each year. The term for directors to be elected this year will expire at the annual meeting of shareholders held in 2019. Each of the nominees listed below has agreed to serve that term. The following sections provide information regarding our directors including their qualifications, the director nomination process, and compensation, among other topics.

Board Recommendation on Item 1

The Board recommends that you vote FOR each of the following nominees:

- Ralph Alvarez
- R. David Hoover
- Juan R. Luciano
- Franklyn G. Prendergast
- Kathi P. Seifert

Board Operations and Governance

Board of Directors



From left to right: Franklyn G. Prendergast, Michael L. Eskew, Karen N. Horn, Juan R. Luciano, Katherine Baicker, J. Erik Fyrwald, R. David Hoover, John C. Lechleiter, Ralph Alvarez, Ellen R. Marram, Marschall S. Runge, William G. Kaelin, Jr., Kathi P. Seifert, and Jackson P. Tai.

Each of our directors is elected to serve until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. If a nominee is unavailable for election, proxy holders may vote for another nominee proposed by the Board of Directors or, as an alternative, the Board of Directors may reduce the number of directors to be elected at the annual meeting.

Director Biographies

Set forth below is information as of March 9, 2016, regarding the nominees for election, which has been confirmed by each of them for inclusion in this proxy statement. We have provided the most significant experiences, qualifications, attributes, or skills that led to the conclusion that each director or director nominee should serve as one of our directors in light of our business and structure. Full biographies for each of our directors are available on our website at http://www.lilly.com/about/board-of-directors/Pages/board-of-directors.aspx.

No family relationship exists among any of our directors, director nominees, or executive officers. To the best of our knowledge, there are no pending material legal proceedings in which any of our directors or nominees for director, or any of their associates, is a party adverse to us or any of our affiliates, or has a material interest adverse to us or any of our affiliates. Additionally, to the best of our knowledge, there have been no events under any bankruptcy act, no criminal proceedings and no judgments, sanctions, or injunctions during the past 10 years that are material to the evaluation of the ability or integrity of any of our directors or nominees for director. There is no arrangement between any director or director nominee and any other person pursuant to which he or she was or is to be selected as a director or director nominee.

Class of 2016

The following five directors will be seeking election at this year's annual meeting. Four of these directors are standing for reelection; one director is seeking election for the first time. See "Item 1. Election of Directors" above for more information.

Board Committees: Compensation; Science and Technology	
Career Highlights	Other Board Service
 Skylark Co., Ltd., a leading restaurant operator in Japan Executive Chairman (2013 - present) McDonald's Corporation President and Chief Operating Officer (2006 - 2009) 	 <i>Public boards</i>: Skylark Co., Ltd.; Lowe's Companies, Inc.; Dunkin' Brands Group, Inc.; Realogy Holdings Corp. <i>Prior public boards</i>: McDonald's Corporation; KeyCor
Memberships and Other Organizations	
 University of Miami: President's Council; School of Business Administration Board of Overseers; International Advisory Board 	
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Qualifications: Mr. Hoover has extensive CEO experience at Ball Corporation, with a strong record of leadership in operations and strategy. He has deep financial expertise as a result of his experience as CEO and CFO of Ball. He also has extensive corporate governance experience through his service on other public company boards.

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Juan R. Luciano, age 54, director since 2016

Board Committees: Finance; Public Policy and Compliance

Career Highlights

Archer Daniels Midland Company, a global food-processing and commodities-trading company

- Chairman (January 2016 present)
- Chief Executive Officer and President (2015 present)
- President (2014 2015)
- Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (2011 2014)
- The Dow Chemical Company, a multi-national chemical company
- Executive Vice President and President, Performance Division (2010 - 2011)

Franklyn G. Prendergast, M.D., Ph.D., age 71, director since 1995

Other Board Service

- Public boards: Archer Daniels Midland Company
- Non-profit boards: Boys and Girls Clubs of America

Qualifications: Mr. Luciano has CEO and global business experience with Archer Daniels Midland Company, where he has established a reputation for strong result-oriented and strategic leadership, as well as many years of global leadership experience at The Dow Chemical Company. He brings to the board a strong technology and operations background, along with expertise in the food and agriculture sectors, an expanding area of focus for Lilly and its Elanco business.

Board Committees: Public Policy and Compliance; Science and Technology Career Highlights Other Board Service Mayo Medical School · Public boards: Cancer Genetics Incorporated Edmond and Marion Guggenheim Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (1986 - 2014) Professor of Molecular Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics (1987 - 2014) Mayo Clinic Center for Individualized Medicine, Director Emeritus (2006 - 2012)Qualifications: Dr. Prendergast is a prominent medical clinician, researcher, and academician. He has extensive experience in seniormost administration at Mayo Clinic, a major medical institution, and as director of its renowned cancer center. He retired from Mayo at the end of 2014. He has special expertise in two critical areas for Lilly-oncology and personalized medicine. As a medical doctor, he brings an important practicing-physician perspective to the Board's deliberations.

Board Committees: Audit; Compensation

Career Highlights

Kimberly-Clark Corporation, a global consumer products company

Executive Vice President (1999 - 2004)

Katapult, LLC, a provider of pro bono mentoring and consulting services to non-profit organizations

Chairman (2004 - present)

Other Board Service

- Public boards: Investors Community Bank; Lexmark International, Inc.
- Private boards: Appvion, Inc.
- Prior public boards: Albertsons; Revlon Consumer Products Co.; Supervalu Inc.
- Non-profit boards: Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region; Fox Cities Building for the Arts; Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce; New North

Qualifications: Ms. Seifert is a retired senior executive of Kimberly-Clark. She has strong expertise in consumer marketing and brand management, having led sales and marketing for several worldwide brands, with a special focus on consumer health. She has extensive corporate governance experience through her other board positions.

Class of 2017

The following five directors will continue in office until May 2017, with the exception of Karen N. Horn, who will retire from the Board on May 2, 2016, prior to the annual meeting of shareholders. The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee has not yet identified and evaluated a candidate to fill the vacancy created by Ms. Horn's retirement. Our board expects to reduce the size of the board until it identifies a candidate to fill the vacancy.

Board Committees: Audit (chair); Finance; Directors and Corporate Gov	vernance
Career Highlights	Other Board Service
 United Parcel Service, Inc., a global shipping and logistics company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (2002 - 2007) 	 Public boards: 3M Corporation; IBM Corporation; Allstate Insurance Company
 Vice Chairman (2000 - 2002) UPS Board of Directors (1998 - 2014) 	 Non-profit boards: Chairman of the board of trustees of The Annie E. Casey Foundation
Qualifications: Mr. Eskew has CEO experience with UPS, where he est operations, strategic planning, and building a strong consumer-brand foc experience and his service on other U.S. company audit committees. He	cus. He is an audit committee financial expert, based on his CEC

Board Committees: Compensation (chair); Directors and Corporate Governance

Career Highlights

Brock Capital Group, a provider of financial advising and consulting services

- Senior Managing Director (2004 present)
- President, Private Client Services and Managing Director (1999 2003)

Other Board Service

- Public boards: Simon Property Group, Inc.; Norfolk
 Southern Corporation
- **Prior public boards**: T. Rowe Price Mutual Funds
- Non-profit boards: The National Bureau of Economic Research; The National Association of Corporate Directors

Bank One, Cleveland, N.A.

· Chairman and chief executive officer (1982 - 1987)

Qualifications: Ms. Horn is a former CEO with extensive experience in various segments of the financial industry, including banking and financial services. Through her for-profit and her public-private partnership work, she has significant experience in international economics and finance. Ms. Horn has extensive corporate governance experience through service on other public company boards in a variety of industries.

William G. Kaelin, Jr., M.D., age 58, director since 2012

Board Committees: Finance; Science and Technology (chair)

Career Highlights

Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center

- Professor of Medicine (2002 present)
- Associate director, Basic Science (2009 present)

Industry Memberships

 Institute of Medicine; National Academy of Sciences; Association of American Physicians; American Society of Clinical Investigation

Honors

- Canada Gairdner International Award
- · Lefoulon-Delalande Prize Institute of France

Qualifications: Dr. Kaelin is a prominent medical researcher and academician. He has extensive experience at Harvard Medical School, a major medical institution, as well as special expertise in oncology—a key component of Lilly's business. He also has deep expertise in basic science, including mechanisms of drug action, and experience with pharmaceutical discovery research.

John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D., age 62, director since 2005

Board Committees: none

Career Highlights

Eli Lilly and Company

- President and CEO (2008 present)
- Chairman of the Board (2009 present)

<u>Honors</u>

 Honorary doctorates: Marian University, University of Indianapolis, the National University of Ireland, Indiana University, and Franklin College

Industry Memberships

 American Chemical Society; Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA); U.S. - Japan Business Council, chairman

Other Board Service

- *Public boards*: Ford Motor Company; Nike, Inc.
- Non-profit boards: United Way Worldwide, chairman; Chemical Heritage Foundation; and the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership

Qualifications: Dr. Lechleiter is our chairman, president, and chief executive officer. A Ph.D. chemist by training, Dr. Lechleiter has over 36 years of experience with the company in a variety of roles of increasing responsibility in research and development, pharmaceutical operations, and corporate administration. As a result, he has a sound understanding of pharmaceutical research and development, sales and marketing, and manufacturing. He also has significant corporate governance experience through his service on other public company boards.

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D., age 61, director since 2013

Board Committees: Science and Technology; Public Policy and Compliance

Career Highlights

University of Michigan

- CEO, University of Michigan Health System (2015 present)
- Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs (2015 present)
- Dean, Medical School (2015 present)

University of North Carolina, School of Medicine

- Executive Dean (2010 2015); Chair of the Department of Medicine (2000 - 2015)
- Principal Investigator and Director of the North Carolina Translational and Clinical Sciences Institute

Katharina Baicker Bh D. and 44 director since 2011

Qualifications: Dr. Runge brings the unique perspective of a practicing physician who has a broad background in health care, clinical research, and academia. He has extensive experience as a practicing cardiologist, and has deep expertise in biomedical research and clinical trial design.

Class of 2018

The following four directors are serving terms that will expire in May 2018.

Board Committees: Audit; Public Policy and Compliance	
Career Highlights	Industry Memberships
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Department of Health Policy and Management	Commissioner of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
Professor of health economics (2007 - present)	 Chair of the Group Insurance Commission of Massachusetts
C. Boyden Gray Professor and Acting Chair, department of Health Policy and Management (2014 - 2016)	 Panel of Health Advisers to the Congressional Budget Office
Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President	 Editorial boards of Health Affairs and the Journal of Health Economics
• Member (2005 - 2007)	Member of the Institute of Medicine
Senior Economist (2001 - 2002)	

Qualifications: Dr. Baicker is a leading researcher in the fields of health economics, public economics, and labor economics. As a valued adviser to numerous health care-related commissions and committees, her expertise in health care policy and health care delivery is recognized in both academia and government.

Industry Memberships

 Experimental Cardiovascular Sciences Study Section of the National Institutes of Health

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J. Erik Fyrwald, age 56, director since 2005

Board Committees: Public Policy and Compliance (chair); Science and Technology

Career Highlights

Univar, Inc., a leading distributor of industrial and specialty chemicals and provider of related services

President and Chief Executive Officer (2012 - present)

Nalco Company, a provider of integrated water treatment and process improvement services, chemicals and equipment programs for industrial and institutional applications

· Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (2008 - 2011)

Ecolab, a leading cleaning and sanitization and water treatment products and services company

President (2012)

E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company, a global chemical company

Group Vice President, agriculture and nutrition (2003 -2008)

Other Board Service

- Private boards: Amsted Industries
- *Non-profit boards*: Society of Chemical Industry; Amsted Industries; The Chicago Public Education Fund; Field Museum of Chicago, Trustee

Qualifications: Mr. Fyrwald has a strong record of operational and strategic leadership in three complex worldwide businesses with a focus on technology and innovation. He is an engineer by training and has significant CEO experience with Univar and Nalco.

Ellen R. Marram, age 69, director since 2002, lead director since 2012

Board Committees: Compensation; Directors and Corporate Governance (chair)

Career Highlights

The Barnegat Group LLC, provider of business advisory services President (2006 - present)

North Castle Partners, LLC

Managing Director (2000 - 2006)

Tropicana Beverage Group

President and Chief Executive Officer (1993 - 1998)

Nabisco Biscuit Company, a unit of Nabisco, Inc.

President and Chief Executive Officer (1988 - 1993)

Other Board Service

- Public boards: Ford Motor Company, The New York Times Company
- Prior public boards: Cadbury plc
- Private boards: Newman's Own, Inc.
- Non-profit boards: Wellesley College; Institute for the Future; New York-Presbyterian Hospital; Lincoln Center Theater; and Families and Work Institute

Qualifications: Ms. Marram is a former CEO with a strong marketing and consumer-brand background. Through her nonprofit and private company activities, she has a special focus and expertise in wellness and consumer health. Ms. Marram has extensive corporate governance experience through service on other public company boards in a variety of industries.

Jackson P. Tai, age 65, director since 2013

Board Committees: Audit: Finance

Career Highlights

DBS Group Holdings and DBS Bank (formerly the Development Bank of Singapore), one of the largest financial services groups in Asia

- Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (2002-2007)
- President and Chief Operating Officer (2001-2002)
- J.P. Morgan & Co. Incorporated, a leading global financial institution
- 25 year career in investment banking, including senior management responsibilities in New York, Tokyo and San Francisco

Other Board Service

- Public boards: The Bank of China Limited, MasterCard Incorporated, Royal Philips NV
- Prior boards: Singapore Airlines; NYSE Euronext; ING Groep NV; CapitaLand (Singapore); DBS Group Holdings and DBS Bank

Qualifications: Mr. Tai is a former CEO with extensive experience in international business and finance, and is an audit committee financial expert. He has deep expertise in the Asia-Pacific region, a key growth market for Lilly. He also has broad corporate governance experience from his service on public company boards in the U.S., Europe, and Asia.

Director Qualifications and Nomination Process

Director Qualifications

The Board assesses Board candidates by considering the following:

Experience: Our directors are responsible for overseeing the company's business consistent with their fiduciary duties. This significant responsibility requires highly skilled individuals with various qualities, attributes, and professional experience. The Board is well-rounded, with a balance of relevant perspectives and experience, as illustrated in the following charts:

CEO Experience:	8
Financial Expertise:	7
Relevant Scientific/Academic Expertise:	6
Healthcare Experience:	4
Operational/Strategic Expertise:	7
International Experience:	7
Marketing and Sales Expertise:	5
Gender/Ethnic Diversity:	8

As the following chart demonstrates, our director composition also reflects a mix of tenure on the Board, which provides an effective balance of historical perspective and an understanding of the evolution of our business with fresh perspectives and insights.

2 Years Tenure or Less:	1			
3-5 Years:				5
6-10 Years:		3		
More than 10 Years:			4	

Diversity: The Board strives to achieve diversity in the broadest sense, including persons diverse in geography, gender, ethnicity, and experiences. Although the Board does not establish specific diversity goals or have a stand-alone diversity policy, the Board's overall diversity is an important consideration in the director selection and nomination process. The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee assesses the effectiveness of board diversity efforts in connection with the annual nomination process as well as in new director searches. The company's fourteen directors range in age from 44 to 72, and include four women and four ethnically diverse members.

Character: Board members should possess the personal attributes necessary to be an effective director, including unquestioned integrity, sound judgment, independence, a collaborative spirit, and commitment to the company, our shareholders, and other constituencies.

Director Nomination Process

The Board delegates the director screening process to the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee, which receives input from other Board members. Potential directors are identified from several sources, including executive search firms retained by the committee, incumbent directors, management, and shareholders.

The committee employs the same process for evaluating all candidates, including those submitted by shareholders. The committee initially evaluates a candidate based on publicly available information and any additional information supplied by the party recommending the candidate. If the candidate appears to satisfy the selection criteria and the committee's initial evaluation is favorable, the committee, assisted by management or the search firm, gathers additional data on the candidate's qualifications, availability, probable level of interest, and any potential conflicts of interest. If the committee's subsequent evaluation continues to be favorable, the candidate is contacted by the Chairman of the Board and one or more of the independent directors, including the lead director, for direct discussions to determine the mutual levels of interest in pursuing the candidacy. If these discussions are favorable, the committee makes a final recommendation to

the Board to nominate the candidate for election by the shareholders (or to select the candidate to fill a vacancy, as applicable).

The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee performs periodic assessments of the overall composition and skills of the Board in order to ensure that the Board and management are actively engaged in succession planning for directors, and that our Board reflects the appropriate viewpoints, diversity, and expertise necessary to support our complex and evolving business. The results of this assessment inform the Board's recommendations on nominations for directors at the annual meeting each year and help provide us with insight on the types of experiences, skills, and other characteristics we should be seeking for future director candidates. Based on this assessment, the committee has recommended that the directors in the 2016 class who are standing for election be elected at the 2016 annual meeting.

Director Compensation

Director compensation is reviewed and approved annually by the Board, on the recommendation of the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee. Directors who are employees receive no additional compensation for serving on the Board.

Cash Compensation

In 2015, nonemployee directors received an annual retainer of \$110,000 (payable in monthly installments). In addition, certain Board roles received additional annual retainers:

Lead director: \$30,000

Committee chairs: \$12,000 (\$18,000 for Audit Committee chair; \$15,000 for Science and Technology Committee chair)

Audit Committee/Science and Technology Committee members (including the chair): \$6,000

All other Committee members (including the chairs): \$3,000

Directors are reimbursed for customary and usual travel expenses. Directors may also receive additional cash compensation for serving on ad hoc committees that may be assembled from time-to-time.

Stock Compensation

Directors should hold meaningful equity ownership positions in the company; accordingly, a significant portion of director compensation is in the form of Lilly stock. Directors are required to hold Lilly stock, directly or through company plans, valued at not less than five times their annual board retainer; new directors are allowed five years to reach this ownership level. All directors are in compliance with these guidelines.

Nonemployee directors received \$145,000 of stock compensation (but no more than 7,500 shares), deposited annually in a deferred stock account in the Lilly Directors' Deferral Plan (as described below), payable after their service on the Board has ended.

<u>Lilly Directors' Deferral Plan</u>: In addition to stock compensation, this plan allows nonemployee directors to defer receipt of all or part of their cash compensation until after their service on the Board has ended. Each director can choose to invest the funds in one or both of the following two accounts:

Deferred Stock Account. This account allows the director, in effect, to invest his or her deferred cash compensation in company stock. In addition, the annual stock compensation award as noted above is credited to this account. The number of shares credited is calculated by dividing the \$145,000 annual compensation figure by the closing stock price on a pre-set annual date. Funds in this account are credited as hypothetical shares of company stock based on the market price of the stock at the time the compensation would otherwise have been earned. Hypothetical dividends are "reinvested" in additional shares based on the market price of the stock on the date dividends are paid. Actual shares are issued after the director ends his or her service on the Board.

Deferred Compensation Account. Funds in this account earn interest each year at a rate of 120 percent of the applicable federal long-term rate, compounded monthly, as established the preceding December by the U.S. Treasury Department under Section 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Internal Revenue Code). The aggregate amount of interest that accrued in 2015 for the participating directors was \$171,916, at a rate of 3.2 percent. The rate for 2016 is 3.1 percent.

Both accounts may be paid in a lump sum or in annual installments for up to 10 years, beginning the second January following the director's departure from board service. Amounts in the deferred stock account are paid in shares of company stock.

Name ¹	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$) ²	All Other Compensation and Payments (\$) ³	Total (\$)⁴
Mr. Alvarez	\$119,000	\$145,000	\$0	\$264,000
Dr. Baicker	\$119,000	\$145,000	\$0	\$264,000
Mr. Eskew	\$140,000	\$145,000	\$10,000	\$295,000
Mr. Fyrwald	\$125,000	\$145,000	\$12,500	\$282,500
Mr. Hoover	\$128,000	\$145,000	\$30,000	\$303,000
Ms. Horn	\$128,000	\$145,000	\$3,050	\$276,050
Dr. Kaelin	\$134,000	\$145,000	\$0	\$279,000
Ms. Marram	\$158,000	\$145,000	\$22,000	\$325,000
Mr. Douglas Oberhelman ⁵	\$49,583	\$60,417	\$30,000	\$140,000
Dr. Prendergast	\$119,000	\$145,000	\$0	\$264,000
Dr. Runge	\$129,500	\$145,000	\$0	\$274,500
Ms. Seifert	\$119,000	\$145,000	\$7,050	\$271,050
Mr. Tai	\$129,500	\$145,000	\$30,000	\$304,500

2015 Compensation for Nonemployee Directors

¹Mr. Luciano is not included in this chart as he became a board member effective February 2016.

² Each nonemployee director received an award of stock valued at \$145,000 (approximately 1,785 shares), except Mr. Oberhelman, who retired from the board in May 2015 and received a pro-rated award for a partial year of service. This stock award and all prior stock awards are fully vested; however, the shares are not issued until the director ends his or her service on the Board, as described above under "Lilly Directors' Deferral Plan." The column shows the grant date fair value for each director's stock award. Aggregate outstanding stock awards are shown in the "Common Stock Ownership by Directors and Executive Officers" table in the "Stock Units Not Distributable Within 60 Days" column.

³ This column consists of amounts donated by the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, Inc. ("Foundation") under its matching gift program, which is generally available to U.S. employees as well as the non-employee directors. Under this program, the Foundation matched 100 percent of charitable donations over \$25 made to eligible charities, up to a maximum of \$30,000 per year for each individual. The Foundation matched these donations via payments made directly to the recipient charity. The amount for Ms. Horn includes matching contributions for donations made at the end of 2014 (\$1,700), for which the matching contribution was not paid until 2015.

⁴ Directors do not participate in a company pension plan or non-equity incentive plan.

⁵ Mr. Olberhelman's term expired in May 2015, and he chose not to seek reelection.

2016 Director Compensation

In 2016, nonemployee directors will receive \$160,000 in stock compensation. This is the first increase to nonemployee directors' stock compensation in over ten years. All other elements of director compensation remain the same as in 2015.

Director Independence

The Board annually determines the independence of directors based on a review by the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee. No director is considered independent unless the Board has determined that he or she has no material relationship with the company, either directly or as a partner, significant shareholder, or officer of an organization that has a material relationship with the company. Material relationships can include commercial, industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, charitable, and familial relationships, among others. To evaluate the materiality of any such relationship, the Board has adopted categorical independence standards consistent with the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) listing standards, except that the "look-back period" for determining whether a director's prior relationship(s) with the company impairs independence is extended from three to four years.

The company's process for determining director independence is set forth in our Standards for Director Independence, which can be found on our website at http://www.lilly.com/about/corporate-governance/Pages/guidelines.aspx, along with our Corporate Governance Guidelines.

On the recommendation of the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee, the Board determined that all 13 current nonemployee directors, as well as Douglas Oberhelman, who served for part of 2015, are independent, and that the members of each committee also meet our independence standards. The Board determined that none of the nonemployee directors has had during the last four years (i) any of the relationships referenced above or (ii) any other material relationship with the company that would compromise his or her independence. The table that follows includes a description of categories or types of transactions, relationships, or arrangements the Board considered in reaching its determinations.

Director	Organization	Type of Organization	Director Relationship to Organization	Primary Type of Transaction/ Relationship/ Arrangement between Lilly and Organization	2015 Aggregate Percentage of Organization's Revenue
Dr. Baicker	Harvard University	Educational Institution	Employee	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
Mr. Fyrwald	Univar, Inc.	For-profit Corporation	Executive Officer	Purchases of products	Less than 0.1 percent
	Harvard University	Educational Institution	Employee	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
Dr. Kaelin	Brigham and Women's Hospital	Health Care Institution	Employee	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
	Dana-Farber Cancer Institute	Health Care Institution	Employee	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
		For-profit		Purchases of products	Less than 0.1 percent
Mr. Luciano	Archer Daniels Midland	Corporation	Executive Officer	Sales of products	Less than 0.1 percent of Lilly's revenue
	Mayo Clinic and Mayo Medical School	Health Care and Educational Institution	Retired Employee	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
Dr. Prendergast	Mayo Foundation	Charitable Organization	Employee of affiliated Mayo Clinic and Mayo Medical School	Contributions	Less than 0.1 percent
	University of Michigan Medical School	Educational Institution	Executive Officer	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent
Dr. Runge	University of North Carolina Medical School	Educational Institution	Executive Officer	Research grants	Less than 0.1 percent

All of the transactions described above were entered into at arm's length in the normal course of business and, to the extent they are commercial relationships, have standard commercial terms. Aggregate payments to each of the relevant organizations, in each of the last four fiscal years, did not exceed the greater of \$1 million or 2 percent of that organization's consolidated gross revenues in a single fiscal year for the relevant four-year period. No director had any direct business relationships, or arrangements.

Committees of the Board of Directors

The duties and membership of the six Board-appointed committees are described below. All committee members are independent as defined in the NYSE listing requirements, and Lilly's independence standards, and the members of the Audit and Compensation Committees each meet the additional independence requirements applicable to them as members of those committees.

The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee makes recommendations to the board regarding director committee membership and selection of committee chairs. The Board has no set policy for rotation of committee members or chairs but annually reviews committee memberships and chair positions, seeking the best blend of continuity and fresh perspectives.

The chair of each committee determines the frequency and agenda of committee meetings. The Audit, Compensation, and Public Policy and Compliance Committees meet alone in executive session on a regular basis; all other committees meet in executive session as needed.

All six committee charters are available online at http://investor.lilly.com/governance.cfm, or upon request to the company's corporate secretary.

Audit Committee

Assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities by monitoring:

- The integrity of financial information provided to the shareholders and others;
- Management's systems of internal controls and disclosure controls;
- The performance of internal and independent audit functions; and
- The company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.

The committee has sole authority to appoint or replace the independent auditor, subject to shareholder ratification.

The Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Eskew and Mr. Tai are audit committee financial experts, as defined in the SEC rules.

Compensation Committee

- Oversees the company's global compensation philosophy and policies;
- Establishes the compensation of our chief executive officer and other executive officers;
- Acts as the oversight committee with respect to the company's deferred compensation plans, management stock plans, and other management incentive compensation programs; and
- Reviews succession plans for the CEO and other senior leadership positions.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of the Compensation Committee members:

- Has ever been an officer or employee of the company;
- Is or has been a participant in a related-person transaction with the company (see "Review and Approval of Transactions with Related Persons" for a description of our policy on related-person transactions); or
- Has any other interlocking relationships requiring disclosure under applicable SEC rules.

Directors and Corporate Governance Committee

- · Together with the lead director, leads the process for director recruitment;
- Recommends to the Board candidates for membership on the Board and Board committees and for lead director; and
- Oversees matters of corporate governance, including Board performance, director independence and compensation, the corporate governance guidelines, and shareholder engagement on governance matters.

Finance Committee

Reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding financial matters, including:

- · Capital structure and strategies;
- Dividends;
- Stock repurchases;
- Capital expenditures;
- Investments, financing, and borrowings;
- Benefit plan funding and investments;
- Financial risk management; and
- Significant business-development opportunities.

Public Policy and Compliance Committee

- Oversees the processes by which the company conducts its business so that the company will do so in a manner that complies with laws and regulations and reflects the highest standards of integrity;
- Together with the Audit Committee, oversees the company's enterprise risk management program; and
- Reviews and makes recommendations regarding policies, practices, and procedures of the company that relate to public policy and social, political, and economic issues.

Science and Technology Committee

- Reviews and makes recommendations regarding the company's strategic research goals and objectives;
- · Reviews new developments, technologies, and trends in pharmaceutical research and development;
- · Reviews the progress of the company's new product pipeline;
- · Reviews the scientific aspects of significant business development opportunities; and
- Oversees matters of scientific and medical integrity and risk management.

Membership and Meetings of the Board and Its Committees

In 2015, each director attended at least 80 percent of the total number of meetings of the Board and the committees on which he or she serves. In addition, all Board members are expected to attend the annual meeting of shareholders, and all the directors attended in 2015. Current committee membership and the number of meetings of the Board and each committee in 2015 are shown in the table below.

Name	Board	Audit	Compensation	Directors and Corporate Governance	Finance	Public Policy and Compliance	Science and Technology
Mr. Alvarez	Member		Member				Member
Dr. Baicker	Member	Member				Member	
Mr. Eskew	Member	Chair		Member	Member		
Mr. Fyrwald	Member					Chair	Member
Mr. Hoover	Member			Member	Chair		
Ms. Horn	Member		Chair	Member			
Dr. Kaelin	Member				Member		Chair
Dr. Lechleiter	Chair						
Mr. Luciano	Member				Member	Member	
Ms. Marram	Lead Director		Member	Chair			
Dr. Prendergast	Member					Member	Member
Dr. Runge	Member					Member	Member
Ms. Seifert	Member	Member	Member				
Mr. Tai	Member	Member			Member		
Number of 2015 Meetings	9	11	8	6	9	4	8

Board Oversight of Compliance and Risk Management

The Board, together with the Audit and Public Policy and Compliance Committees, oversees the processes by which the company conducts its business to ensure the company operates in a manner that complies with laws and regulations and reflects the highest standards of integrity.

The company also has an enterprise risk management program overseen by its chief ethics and compliance officer/senior vice president of enterprise risk management, who reports directly to the CEO. Enterprise risks are identified and prioritized by management through both top-down and bottom-up processes. The top priorities are assigned to a Board committee or full Board for oversight. Company management is charged with managing risk through robust internal processes and controls. The enterprise risk management program as a whole is reviewed annually at a joint meeting of the Audit and Public Policy and Compliance Committees, and enterprise risks are also addressed in periodic business unit reviews and at the annual board and senior management strategy session.

Code of Ethics

The board approves the company's code of ethics, which is set out in:

<u>The Red Book</u>: a comprehensive code of ethical and legal business conduct applicable to all employees worldwide and to our Board of Directors. The Red Book is reviewed and approved annually by the Board.

<u>Code of Ethical Conduct for Lilly Financial Management</u>: a supplemental code for our CEO and all members of financial management, in recognition of their unique responsibilities to ensure proper accounting, financial reporting, internal controls, and financial stewardship.

These documents are available online at: http://www.lilly.com/about/business-practices/ethics-compliance and https://www.lilly.com/About/Business-practices/Ethics-compliance/Code-of-conduct/code-of-conduct-financial-management.aspx, or upon request to the company's corporate secretary.

Highlights of the Company's Corporate Governance

The company is committed to good corporate governance, which promotes the long-term interests of shareholders and other company stakeholders; builds confidence in our company leadership; and strengthens

accountability for the Board and company management. The board has adopted corporate governance guidelines that set forth the company's basic principles of corporate governance. The section that follows outlines key elements of the guidelines and other governance matters. Investors can learn more by reviewing the full corporate governance guidelines document, which is available online at http://investor.lilly.com/ governance.cfm or upon request to the company's corporate secretary.

Role of the Board

The directors are elected by the shareholders to oversee the actions and results of the company's management. The Board exercises oversight over a broad range of areas, but the Board's key responsibilities include:

- · Providing general oversight of the business;
- Approving corporate strategy;
- · Approving major management initiatives;
- Selecting, compensating, evaluating, and, when necessary, replacing the chief executive officer, and compensating other senior executives;
- Ensuring that an effective succession plan is in place for all senior executives;
- Overseeing the company's ethics and compliance program and management of significant business risks; and
- Recruiting, nominating, compensating, and evaluating directors.

Board Composition and Requirements

Mix of Independent Directors and Officer-Directors

There should always be a substantial majority (75 percent or more) of independent directors. The CEO should be a Board member.

Voting for Directors

In an uncontested election, directors are elected by a majority of votes cast. An incumbent nominee who fails to receive a majority of the votes cast will tender his or her resignation. The Board, on recommendation of the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee, will decide whether to accept the resignation. The company will promptly disclose the Board's decision, including, if applicable, the reasons why the Board rejected the resignation.

Director Tenure and Retirement Policy

Non-employee directors must retire no later than the date of the annual meeting that follows their seventysecond birthday. The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee has authority to recommend exceptions to this policy. The committee, with input from all Board members, also considers the contributions of the individual directors at least every three years when considering whether to nominate the director to a new three-year term.

Other Board Service

In general, no director may serve on more than three other public company boards. The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee may approve exceptions if it determines that the additional service will not impair the director's effectiveness on the Lilly Board. The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee reviewed an exception request for Mr. Alvarez (who serves on four other company boards), considering his attendance record and continued engagement in board matters. Upon review, the committee determined that he could effectively balance his other board responsibilities and continue to be a strong contributor to the Lilly Board.

Board Confidentiality Policy

The Board has adopted a Confidentiality Policy, applicable to all current and future members of the Board. The policy prohibits a director from sharing confidential information obtained in his or her role as director with any outside party except under limited circumstances where the director is seeking legal advice or is required to disclose information by order of law. The Confidentiality Policy can be viewed on the company's website here: http://www.lilly.com/about/corporate-governance/Pages/corporate-governance.aspx.

Leadership Structure; Oversight of Chairman, CEO, and Senior Management

Leadership Structure

The Board currently believes that combining the role of chairman of the Board and the CEO, coupled with a strong lead director position, is the most efficient and effective leadership model for the company, fostering clear accountability, effective decision-making, and alignment on corporate strategy. The Board periodically reviews its leadership structure and developments in the area of corporate governance in order to ensure that this approach continues to strike the appropriate balance for the company and our stakeholders.

Board Independence

The Board has put in place a number of governance practices to ensure effective independent oversight, including:

- Executive sessions of the independent directors: held after every regular board meeting.
- Annual performance evaluation of the chairman and CEO: conducted by the independent directors, the results of which are reviewed with the chief executive officer and considered by Compensation Committee in establishing the CEO's compensation for the next year.

• **A strong, independent, clearly defined lead director role**: The lead director's responsibilities include:

- Leading the Board's processes for selecting and evaluating the CEO;
- Presiding at all meetings of the Board at which the chairman is not present;
- Serving as a liaison between the chairman and the independent directors;
- If requested by major shareholders, ensures that she is available for consultation and direct communication;
- Approving meeting agendas and schedules and generally approving information sent to the Board;
- Conducting executive sessions of the independent directors;
- Overseeing the independent directors' annual performance evaluation of the chairman and CEO; and
- Together with the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee, leading the director recruitment process.

The lead director also has authority to call meetings of the independent directors and to retain advisers for the independent directors.

The lead director is appointed annually by the Board. Currently Ms. Marram is the lead director.

• **Director access to management and independent advisors**: Independent directors have direct access to members of management whenever they deem it necessary; and the company's executive officers attend part of each regularly scheduled Board meeting. The independent directors and all committees are also free to retain their own independent advisors, at company expense, whenever they feel it would be desirable to do so.

CEO Succession Planning

The Compensation Committee, Board, and CEO annually review the company's succession plans for the CEO and other key senior leadership positions. During these reviews, the CEO and independent directors discuss future candidates for the CEO and other senior leadership positions, succession timing, and development plans for the highest-potential candidates. The company ensures that the directors have multiple

opportunities to interact with the company's top leadership talent in both formal and informal settings in order to allow them to most effectively assess the candidates' qualifications and capabilities.

The independent directors and the CEO maintain a confidential plan for the timely and efficient transfer of the CEO's responsibilities in the event of an emergency or his sudden departure, incapacitation, or death.

Board Education and Annual Performance Assessment

The company engages in a comprehensive orientation process for incoming new directors. Directors also receive ongoing continuing educational sessions on areas of particular relevance or importance to our company and we hold periodic mandatory training sessions for the Audit Committee.

Additionally, the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee conducts an annual assessment of the Board's performance, Board committee performance, and all Board processes based on input from all directors.

Conflicts of Interest and Transactions with Related Persons

Conflicts of Interest

Directors must disclose to the company all relationships that create a conflict or an appearance of a conflict. The Board, after consultation with counsel, takes appropriate steps to identify actual or apparent conflicts and ensure that all directors voting on an issue are disinterested. A director may be excused from discussions on the issue, as appropriate.

Review and Approval of Transactions with Related Persons

The Board has adopted a policy and procedures for review, approval, and monitoring of transactions involving the company and related persons (directors and executive officers, their immediate family members, or shareholders of 5 percent or greater of the company's outstanding stock). The policy covers any related-person transaction that meets the minimum threshold for disclosure in the proxy statement under the relevant SEC rules (generally, transactions involving amounts exceeding \$120,000 in which a related person has a direct or indirect material interest).

Policy: Related-person transactions must be approved by the Board or by a committee of the Board consisting solely of independent directors, who will approve the transaction only if they determine that it is in the best interests of the company. In considering the transaction, the Board or committee will consider all relevant factors, including:

- The company's business rationale for entering into the transaction;
- The alternatives to entering into a related-person transaction;
- Whether the transaction is on terms comparable to those available to third parties, or in the case of
 employment relationships, to employees generally;
- The potential for the transaction to lead to an actual or apparent conflict of interest and any safeguards imposed to prevent such actual or apparent conflicts; and
- The overall fairness of the transaction to the company.

The Board or relevant committee will periodically monitor the transaction to ensure there are no changed circumstances that would render it advisable to amend or terminate the transaction.

Procedures:

- Management or the affected director or executive officer will bring the matter to the attention of the chairman, the lead director, the chair of the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee, or the secretary.
- The chairman and the lead director shall jointly determine (or, if either is involved in the transaction, the other shall determine) whether the matter should be considered by the Board or by one of its

existing committees.

- If a director is involved in the transaction, he or she will be recused from all discussions and decisions about the transaction.
- The transaction must be approved in advance whenever practicable, and if not practicable, must be ratified as promptly as practicable.
- The Board or relevant committee will review the transaction annually to determine whether it continues to be in the company's best interests.

The Directors and Corporate Governance Committee has approved the following employment relationships which are considered related-party transactions under the SEC rules.

We have three current employees who are relatives of executive officers. Dr. John Bamforth, vice president, chief marketing officer, Lilly Bio-Medicines, is the spouse of Dr. Susan Mahony, an executive officer. Myles O'Neill, senior vice president, global drug products, is the spouse of Dr. Fionnuala Walsh, an executive officer. Finally, Andrew Lechleiter, advisor, strategy and operations, Amyvid, is the son of Dr. John Lechleiter, Lilly's CEO. For 2015, these three employees received compensation, including cash compensation, and, in the case of Dr. Bamforth and Mr. O'Neill, equity grants, of between \$176,000 and \$1.5 million.

All three individuals participate in the company's benefit programs generally available to U.S. employees. Their compensation is consistent with the compensation paid to other employees at their levels and with the Company's overall compensation principles based on their years of experience, performance, and positions within the company.

Communication with the Board of Directors

You may send written communications to one or more members of the Board, addressed to:

Board of Directors Eli Lilly and Company c/o Corporate Secretary Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, IN 46285

Shareholder Engagement on Governance Issues

Each year, the company engages large shareholders and other key constituents to discuss key areas of interest or concern related to corporate governance, as well as any specific issues for the coming proxy season. In 2015, we spoke with a number of our largest investors. Issues discussed included shareholders' perspectives regarding a potential management proposal to eliminate the company's classified board and supermajority voting requirements, proxy access, board composition and recruitment, and the company's executive compensation, among other topics. The overall tone from these conversations was positive and the investors with whom we spoke were generally supportive of our overall compensation and governance policies. We have shared the feedback we received from these conversations with our Compensation Committee and Directors and Corporate Governance Committee. We are committed to continuing to engage with our investors to ensure their diverse perspectives are thoughtfully considered.

Prior Management Proposals to Eliminate Classified Board and Supermajority Voting Requirements

Between 2007 and 2012, each year we submitted management proposals to eliminate the company's classified board structure. The proposals did not pass because they failed to receive a "supermajority vote" of 80 percent of the outstanding shares, as required in the company's articles of incorporation. In addition, in 2010, 2011, 2012, we submitted management proposals to eliminate the supermajority voting requirements themselves. Those proposals also fell short of the required 80 percent vote.

Prior to 2012, these proposals received support ranging from 72 to 77 percent of the outstanding shares. In 2012, the vote was even lower, approximately 63 percent of the outstanding shares, driven in part by a 2012 NYSE rule revision prohibiting brokers from voting their clients' shares on corporate governance matters

absent specific instructions from such clients. We have decided not to resubmit those proposals in 2016 based on our discussions with large shareholders as described above and our assessment that the proposals would not be successful. We will continue to monitor this situation and engage with our shareholders on these and other topics to ensure that we continue to demonstrate strong corporate governance and accountability to shareholders.

Shareholder proposals

If a shareholder wishes to have a proposal considered for inclusion in next year's proxy statement, he or she must submit the proposal in writing so that we receive it by November 21, 2016. Proposals should be addressed to the company's corporate secretary, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana 46285. In addition, the company's bylaws provide that any shareholder wishing to propose any other business at the annual meeting must give the company written notice by November 21, 2016 and no earlier than September 22, 2016. That notice must provide certain other information as described in the bylaws. Copies of the bylaws are available online at http://investor.lilly.com/governance.cfm or upon request to the company's corporate secretary.

Shareholder Recommendations and Nominations for Director Candidates

A shareholder who wishes to recommend a director candidate for evaluation should forward the candidate's name and information about the candidate's qualifications to:

Chair of the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee c/o Corporate Secretary Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, IN 46285

The candidate must meet the selection criteria described above and must be willing and expressly interested in serving on the Board.

Under Section 1.9 of the company's bylaws, a shareholder who wishes to directly nominate a director candidate at the 2017 annual meeting (i.e., to propose a candidate for election who is not otherwise nominated by the Board through the recommendation process described above) must give the company written notice by November 21, 2016 and no earlier than September 22, 2016. The notice should be addressed to the corporate secretary at the address provided above. The notice must contain prescribed information about the candidate and about the shareholder proposing the candidate as described in more detail in Section 1.9 of the bylaws. A copy of the bylaws is available online at http://investor.lilly.com/ governance.cfm. The bylaws will also be provided by mail upon request to the corporate secretary.

We have not received any notice regarding shareholder nominations for board candidates or other shareholder business to be presented at the meeting.

Ownership of Company Stock

Common Stock Ownership by Directors and Executive Officers

The following table sets forth the number of shares of company common stock beneficially owned by the directors, the named executive officers, and all directors and executive officers as a group, as of February 19, 2016. None of the stock, stock options, or stock units owned by any of the listed individuals has been pledged as collateral for a loan or other obligation.

Beneficial Owners	Commor		
	Shares Owned ²	Options Exercisable/Stock Units Distributable Within 60 Days ³	Stock Units Not Distributable Within 60 Days ⁴
Ralph Alvarez	—	_	30,670
Katherine Baicker, Ph.D.	—	_	10,380
Enrique A. Conterno	118,397	_	30,244
Michael L. Eskew	_	_	31,279
J. Erik Fyrwald	100	_	51,185
Michael J. Harrington	60,329	_	9,732
R. David Hoover	1,000	_	30,777
Karen N. Horn, Ph.D.		_	73,582
William G. Kaelin, Jr., M.D.	_	_	8,971
John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D.	976,078 5	_	46,097
Jan M. Lundberg, Ph.D.	115,772	_	15,366
Ellen R. Marram	1,000	_	44,914
Franklyn G. Prendergast, M.D., Ph.D.	_	_	63,495
Derica W. Rice	386,777 6	_	19,463
Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.	_	_	4,995
Kathi P. Seifert	3,533	_	57,891
Jackson P. Tai	35,258	_	4,494
All directors and executive officers as a group (26 people) ⁷ :	2,395,063	_	721,174

- ¹ The sum of the "Shares Owned" and "Options Exercisable/Stock Units Distributable Within 60 Days" columns represents the shares considered "beneficially owned" for purposes of disclosure in the proxy statement. Unless otherwise indicated in a footnote, each person listed in the table possesses sole voting and sole investment power with respect to their shares. No person listed in the table owns more than 0.1 percent of the outstanding common stock of the company. All directors and executive officers as a group own approximately 0.2 percent of the outstanding common stock of the company.
- ² This column includes the number of shares of common stock held individually as well as the number of 401(k) Plan shares held by the beneficial owners indirectly through the 401(k) Plan.
- ³ This column includes stock options exercisable within 60 days and RSUs that vest within 60 days.
- ⁴ For the executive officers, this column reflects RSUs that will not vest within 60 days. For the independent directors, this column includes the number of stock units credited to the directors' accounts in the Lilly Directors' Deferral Plan.
- ⁵ The shares shown for Dr. Lechleiter include 56,148 shares that are owned by a family foundation for which he is a director. Dr. Lechleiter has shared voting power and shared investment power with respect to the shares held by the foundation. Also included are 4,243 shares held in family trusts. Pursuant to the terms of the trusts, Dr. Lechleiter has shared investment power and no voting power over the shares held in the trusts.
- ⁶ The shares shown for Mr. Rice include 11,596 shares that are owned by a family foundation for which he is a director. Mr. Rice has shared voting power and shared investment power with respect to the shares held by the foundation.
- ⁷ Mr. Luciano joined the Board in February 2016, and currently does not beneficially own any shares.

Principal Holders of Stock

To the best of the company's knowledge, the only beneficial owners of more than 5 percent of the outstanding shares of the company's common stock, as of December 31, 2015, are the shareholders listed below:

Name and Address	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent of Class
Lilly Endowment Inc. (the Endowment) 2801 North Meridian Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46208	127,860,804	11.5%
BlackRock, Inc. 55 East 52nd Street New York, New York 10055	66,007,964	6.0%
The Vanguard Group 100 Vanguard Blvd. Malvern, PA 19355	59,913,179	5.4%
PRIMECAP Management Company 225 South Lake Ave., #400 Pasadena, CA 91101	57,654,392	5.2%

The Endowment has sole voting and sole dispositive power with respect to all of its shares. The Board of Directors of the Endowment is composed of N. Clay Robbins, chairman, president & chief executive officer; Mary K. Lisher; William G. Enright; Daniel P. Carmichael; Charles E. Golden; Eli Lilly II; David N. Shane; Craig Dykstra; and Jennett M. Hill.

BlackRock, Inc. provides investment management services for various clients. It has sole voting power with respect to 57,088,447 of its shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 65,974,281 of its shares.

The Vanguard Group provides investment management services for various clients. It has sole voting power with respect to 1,832,006 of its shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 57,973,673 of its shares.

PRIMECAP Management Company acts as investment advisor to various clients. It has sole voting power with respect to 11,365,505 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of its shares.

Compensation

Item 2. Advisory Vote on Compensation Paid to Named Executive Officers

Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 provides the company's shareholders with the opportunity to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement. As described in the CD&A section below, our compensation philosophy is designed to attract and retain highly-talented individuals and motivate them to create long-term shareholder value by achieving top-tier corporate performance while embracing the company's values of integrity, excellence, and respect for people.

The Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors believe that our executive compensation aligns well with our philosophy and with corporate performance. Executive compensation is an important matter for our shareholders. We routinely review our compensation practices and engage in ongoing dialog with our shareholders in order to ensure our practices are aligned with stakeholder interests and reflect best practices.

We request shareholder approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the company's named executive officers as disclosed in this proxy statement. As an advisory vote, this proposal is not binding on the company. However, the Compensation Committee values input from shareholders and will consider the outcome of the vote when making future executive compensation decisions.

Board Recommendation on Item 2

The Board recommends that you vote FOR the approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation paid to the named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the CD&A, the compensation tables, and related narratives provided below in this proxy statement.

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

This CD&A describes our executive compensation philosophy, the Compensation Committee's process for setting executive compensation, the elements of our compensation program, the factors the committee considered when setting executive compensation in 2015, and how the company's results affected incentive payouts for 2015.

Say on Pay Results for 2015

At last year's annual meeting, more than 98 percent of the shares cast voted in favor of the company's Say on Pay proposal on executive compensation. Management and the Compensation Committee view this vote as supportive of the company's overall approach toward executive compensation.

Our Philosophy on Compensation

At Lilly, our mission is to make medicines that help people live longer, healthier, more active lives. In order to accomplish our mission, we must attract, engage, and retain highly-talented individuals who are committed to the company's core values of integrity, excellence, and respect for people. Our compensation programs are designed to help us achieve these goals while balancing the long-term interests of our customers and shareholders.

Objectives

Our compensation and benefits programs are based on the following objectives:

- **Reflect both individual and company performance.** We reinforce a high-performance culture by linking pay with individual performance and company performance. As employees assume greater responsibilities, the proportion of total compensation based on company performance and shareholder returns increases. We perform an annual review to ensure the programs provide incentive to deliver long-term, sustainable business results while discouraging excessive risk-taking or other adverse behaviors.
- Attract and retain talented employees. Compensation opportunities should be competitive with our peer group and reflect the level of job impact and responsibilities. Retention of talent is an important factor in the design of our compensation and benefit programs.
- **Implement broad-based programs.** While the amount of compensation paid to employees varies, the overall structure of our compensation and benefit programs is broadly similar across the organization to encourage and reward all employees who contribute to our success.
- Consider shareholder input. Management and the Compensation Committee consider the results of our annual Say on Pay vote and other sources of shareholder feedback when designing compensation and benefit programs.

Compensation Committee's Processes and Analyses

Process for setting compensation

The Compensation Committee considers the following in determining executive compensation:

- Assessment of the executive's individual performance and contribution.
 - *CEO*: The independent directors, under the direction of the lead director, meet with the CEO at the beginning of each year to agree upon the CEO's performance objectives for the year. At the end of the year, the independent directors meet to assess the CEO's achievement of those objectives along with other factors, including contribution to the company's performance and ethics and integrity. The year-end evaluation is used in setting the CEO's compensation for the next year.
 - Other Executive Officers ("EOs"): The committee receives individual performance assessments and compensation recommendations from the CEO and also exercises its judgment based on the Board's knowledge and interactions with the EOs. Each other EO's performance assessment is based on achievement of objectives established between such EO and the CEO at the start of the year as well as other factors.
- Assessment of company performance. The Compensation Committee considers company performance in two ways:
 - As a factor in establishing potential compensation for the coming year, the committee considers overall company performance during the prior year across a variety of metrics.
 - To determine payouts under the cash and equity incentive programs, the committee establishes specific company performance goals related to revenue, earnings per share (EPS), progress of our pipeline portfolio, and stock price growth.
- **Peer-group analysis**. The committee uses peer-group data as a market check for compensation decisions, but does not use this data as the sole basis for its compensation targets. The company does not target a specific position within the range of market data.
- Input from an independent compensation consultant concerning executive pay. The role of the independent compensation consultant is described in more detail under "Compensation Committee Matters" that follows the CD&A.

Competitive pay assessment

Our peer group is comprised of companies that directly compete with us, operate in a similar business model, and employ people with the unique skills required to operate an established biopharmaceutical company. In selecting the peer group, the committee considers companies' market caps and revenue as measures of size, and selects a peer group whose median market cap and revenues are broadly similar to Lilly. The committee reviews the peer group at least every three years. The group includes: Abbott, Abbvie, Allergan, Amgen, AstraZeneca, Baxter, Biogen, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Celgene, Gilead, GlaxoSmithKline, Hoffman-La Roche, Johnson & Johnson, Medtronic, Merck, Novartis, Pfizer, and Sanofi-Aventis. With the exception of Johnson & Johnson, Novartis, and Pfizer, peer companies were no greater than three times our size with regard to both measures. The committee included these three companies despite their size because they compete directly with Lilly, have similar business models, and seek to hire from the same pool of management and scientific talent. In the aggregate, the company's total compensation to NEOs, when reviewed at the end of 2014, was in the middle range of the peer group.

Components of Our Compensation

Our executive compensation has three components: (1) base salary; (2) an annual cash bonus, which is calculated based on company revenue, EPS, and the progress of the pipeline relative to internal targets; and (3) two different forms of equity incentives: (i) Performance Awards ("PAs") - equity awards vesting over three years, with a performance component measuring the company's two-year growth in earnings per share ("EPS") relative to the expected peer group growth followed by a service-vesting period; and (ii) Shareholder Value Awards ("SVAs") - performance-based equity awards that pay out based on company stock price growth over a three-year period, followed by a one-year holding period. Executives also receive the company benefits package, described below under "Other Compensation Practices and Information - Employee Benefits".

Adjustments to reported financial results

The Compensation Committee has authority to adjust the reported revenue and EPS on which incentive compensation payouts are determined in order to eliminate the distorting effect of unusual income or expense items that may occur during a given year that impact year-over-year growth percentages or to improve comparability to peer companies. The Committee considers the adjustments approved by the Audit Committee in reporting non-GAAP EPS and other adjustments, based on guidelines approved at the beginning of the performance period. Further details on the adjustments for 2015 and the rationale for making these adjustments are set forth in Appendix A, "Summary of Adjustments Related to the Annual Bonus and Performance Award." For ease of reference, throughout the CD&A and the other compensation disclosures we refer simply to "revenue" and "EPS" but we encourage you to review the information in Appendix A to understand the adjustments from GAAP revenue and EPS that were approved.

1. Base Salary

Base salaries are reviewed and established annually, and may also be adjusted upon promotion, following a change in job responsibilities, or to maintain market competitiveness. Salaries are based on each person's level of contribution, responsibility, and expertise, along with peer group data.

Base salary increases are established based upon a corporate budget for salary increases, which is set considering company performance over the prior year, expected company performance for the following year, and general external trends. In setting salaries, the Compensation Committee seeks to retain, motivate, and reward successful performers while maintaining affordability within the company's business plan.

2. Annual Bonus

The Eli Lilly and Company Bonus Plan ("Bonus Plan") is designed to align employees' individual goals with the company's financial plans and pipeline objectives for the year. The bonus is based on company performance in three areas over the course of the year, relative to internal targets: (1) revenue; (2) EPS; and (3) pipeline progress.

Company performance goals and individual bonus targets are set at the beginning of each year, and actual bonuses can range from 0 to 200% of each individual's bonus target. In establishing the performance goals, the Compensation Committee references the annual operating plan. Each year, the Compensation Committee reviews the relative weighting for each of the factors. The 2015 weightings remained unchanged from the prior year:

Goal	Weighting
Revenue performance	25%
EPS performance	50%
Pipeline progress	25%

Based on this weighting, the company bonus multiple is calculated as follows:

(0.25 x revenue multiple) + (0.50 x EPS multiple) + (0.25 x pipeline multiple) = company bonus multiple

Multiples for performance goals can range from 0-2.0.

The payout is calculated as follows:

bonus multiple x individual bonus target x base salary earnings = payout

In order to preserve tax deductibility of bonus payouts, EOs are subject to the Executive Officer Incentive Plan (EOIP), which sets further limits on the allowable bonus amounts. Under the EOIP, the maximum annual bonus allowable is calculated based on non-GAAP net income (generally described in "Adjustments to Reported Results" in Appendix A to this proxy statement) for the year. For the CEO, the maximum bonus award is 0.3 percent of non-GAAP net income. For other EOs, the maximum amount is 0.15 percent of non-GAAP net income. EOs will not receive any annual cash incentive payments unless the company has a positive non-GAAP net income for the year.

Once the maximum payout for an EO is determined, the Compensation Committee has the discretion to reduce (but not increase) the amount of the bonus to be paid. In exercising this discretion, the committee intends to generally award EOs the lesser of (i) the bonuses they would have received under the Bonus Plan or (ii) the EOIP maximum bonuses.

3. Equity Incentives

The company grants two types of equity incentives to EOs - PAs and SVAs. The PAs are designed to focus company leaders on multi-year operational performance relative to peer companies and the SVAs align earned compensation with long-term growth in shareholder value. The Compensation Committee has the discretion to adjust downward (but not upward) any executive officer's equity award payout from the amount yielded by the applicable formula.

Performance Awards

PAs vest over three years. Potential shares are earned based on achieving EPS growth targets over a twoyear period followed by an additional 13-month service-vesting period in the form of restricted stock unites ("RSUs"). The growth rate targets are set relative to the median expected EPS growth for the peer group. These awards do not accumulate dividends during the two-year performance period, but do accumulate dividends during the service-vesting period.

The Compensation Committee believes EPS growth is an effective measure of operational performance because it is closely linked to shareholder value, is broadly communicated to the public, is easily understood by employees, and allows for objective comparisons to peer-group performance. Consistent with our compensation objectives, company performance exceeding the expected peer-group median will result in above-target payouts, while company performance lagging the expected peer-group median will result in below-target payouts. Possible payouts range from 0 to 150 percent of the target depending on EPS growth over the performance period.

The measure of EPS used in the PA program differs from the measure used in our annual bonus program in two ways. First, the bonus program measures EPS over a one-year period, while the PA program uses EPS over a two-year period. Second, the target EPS goal in the bonus program is set with reference to internal goals that align to our annual operating plan for the year, while the target EPS goal in the PA program is set relative to expected growth rates among our peer group.

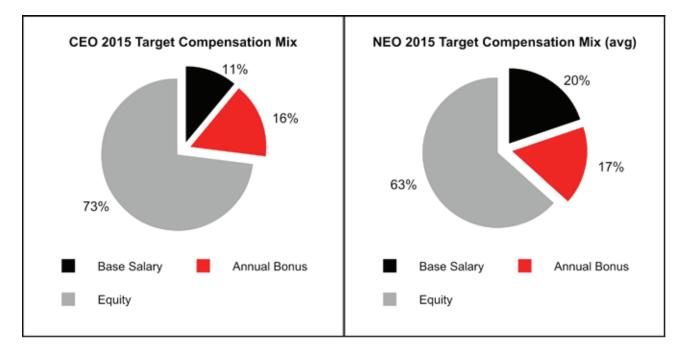
Shareholder Value Awards

SVAs may be earned based on Lilly's share price performance over a three-year period. SVAs have a threeyear performance period and any shares paid out are subject to a one-year holding requirement. No dividends are accrued during the performance period. SVAs pay out above target if Lilly stock outperforms an expected compounded annual rate of return and below target if company stock underperforms that rate of return. The expected rate of return includes dividends and is based on the total three-year shareholder return ("TSR") that a reasonable investor would consider appropriate for investing in a basket of large-cap U.S. companies, as determined by the Compensation Committee. The target share price is based on this expected rate of return less the company's dividend yield, applied to the starting share price. Executive officers receive no payout if TSR for the three-year period is zero or negative.

Possible payouts range from 0 to 140 percent of the target amount, depending on stock performance over the period.

Pay for Performance

The mix of compensation for the CEO and other NEOs reflects our desire to link executive compensation with company performance. As reflected in the charts below, a substantial portion of the target pay for all NEOs is performance-based. Both the annual bonus and equity payouts are contingent upon company performance, with the bonus factoring in performance over a one-year period, and equity compensation factoring in performance over a longer term (as described above under "Components of Our Compensation - 3. Equity Incentives").



2015 Target Total Compensation

Performance Review Process

In setting potential EO compensation for 2015, the Compensation Committee considered both individual and company performance during 2014.

2014 Individual EO Performance

A summary of the committee's review of the individual EOs is provided below:

Dr. John Lechleiter: In accordance with the company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, the independent directors conducted a review of Dr. Lechleiter's performance during 2014, which was provided to the Compensation Committee during a private session. Under Dr. Lechleiter's leadership the company exceeded key financial targets and saw the successful approval and launch of three new products - Trulicity®, Jardiance® and Cyramza®. In addition, the company controlled operating expenses, while setting a clear strategic plan towards sustained growth. Dr. Lechleiter continued his effective leadership and public advocacy on behalf of the broader biopharmaceutical industry, via his key leadership roles in the U.S.-Japan Business Council and PhRMA, among other organizations. Dr. Lechleiter continued to set a strong cultural tone throughout the organization, consistently demonstrating honesty, integrity, and transparency in his internal and external interactions throughout a particularly challenging period of patent expirations.

Derica Rice: Mr. Rice demonstrated exemplary leadership by helping to navigate the company through a very challenging period of patent expirations of many of our major products, while maintaining strong performance of the global services organization. He played key roles in numerous business development activities, including the Novartis Animal Health acquisition, and strongly influenced the company's external research and development strategy.

Dr. Jan Lundberg: Dr. Lundberg led the research and development organization through one of its most productive years in recent history and played a key leadership role in portfolio prioritization.

Michael Harrington: Mr. Harrington provided outstanding leadership of the company's legal division, and effectively managed a number of key legal matters throughout the year. He also excelled in building effective partnerships with the leadership teams of our various business areas.

Enrique Conterno: Mr. Conterno drove above-plan revenues and earnings and increased Lilly's market share in the diabetes therapeutic area. Through his leadership, the Lilly Diabetes business achieved three product approvals and two launches during the year.

The information in the section below reflects target total compensation for executive officers for 2015. The actual payouts made to the NEOs in the form of the 2015 annual bonus and equity awards that vested in 2015 are summarized in the next section, under "2015 Compensation Payouts".

Rationale for Changes to NEO Target Compensation

The committee established 2015 target total compensation opportunities for each executive based on the executive's 2014 performance, internal relativity, and peer-group data. The committee determined an increase to Dr. Lechleiter's total compensation was appropriate given overall company results and his strong leadership over several years. The committee decided his increase should be delivered entirely in performance-based compensation, leaving his base salary unchanged from prior years but increasing his bonus target and the target value of his equity. For Dr. Lundberg, the committee believed his target cash compensation was appropriate but increased his target equity award reflecting the strategic importance and long-term impact of the R&D organization's success. Messrs. Rice, Harrington and Conterno received salary increases reflecting their contributions over time and aligned with the company's annual increase guidelines. In light of strong performance since assuming the General Counsel role, Mr. Harrington also received an increase to his equity.

Resulting Compensation Targets

Base Salary

The following table outlines salary increases, if any, for each executive approved by the committee in 2015. Each executive's actual base salary earned during 2015 is reflected in the "Summary Compensation Table" in the "Executive Compensation" section of the proxy that follows.

Name	2014 Annual Base Salary	2015 Annual Base Salary	Increase (effective March 1, 2015)
Dr. Lechleiter	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	—
Mr. Rice	\$1,019,700	\$1,050,300	3%
Dr. Lundberg	\$1,007,855	\$1,007,855	—
Mr. Harrington	\$765,000	\$788,000	3%
Mr. Conterno	\$682,890	\$710,205	4%

Annual Bonus Targets

Based on a review of internal relativity, peer data, and individual performance, the committee decided to maintain the same 2014 bonus targets for all NEOs in 2015, except Dr. Lechleiter. Based on the rationale described above, Dr. Lechleiter's target was increased. Bonus targets are shown in the table below as a percentage of base salary:

Name	2014 Bonus Target	2015 Bonus Target
Dr. Lechleiter	140%	150%
Mr. Rice	90%	90%
Dr. Lundberg	90%	90%
Mr. Harrington	75%	75%
Mr. Conterno	75%	75%

Total Equity Program - Target Grant Values

For 2015 equity grants, the committee set the total target values for NEOs based on internal relativity, individual performance, and peer-group data. The committee determined that for all NEOs a 50/50 split between PAs and SVAs would continue to appropriately balance company financial performance with shareholder return. Total target values for the 2014 and 2015 equity grants to the NEOs were as follows:

Name	2014 Total Equity	2015 Total Equity
Dr. Lechleiter	\$9,000,000	\$10,000,000
Mr. Rice	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000
Dr. Lundberg	\$3,000,000	\$3,400,000
Mr. Harrington	\$1,900,000	\$2,300,000
Mr. Conterno	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

Performance Goals for 2015 Incentive Programs

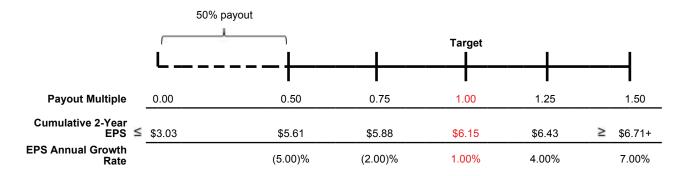
2015 Annual Bonus Goals

The Compensation Committee established the company performance targets for 2015 at the targets specified in the company's 2015 corporate operating plan approved by the Board of Directors in 2014.

Performance Awards – 2015-2016 PA

In January 2015, the committee established an EPS growth target based on investment analysts' peer group estimates at that time. However, the first two months of 2015 saw an extraordinarily rapid and steep decline in the value of several currencies against the U.S. dollar, significantly driving down the median of analysts' growth expectations for our peer group. As a result, in March 2015, less than 90 days into the two-year performance period, the committee reset the target at one percent compounded annually to reflect revised investment analysts' estimates for the peer group.

Possible payouts for the 2015-2016 PA range from 0 to 150 percent of the target, as illustrated in the chart below:



Shareholder Value Awards - 2015-2017 SVA

For purposes of establishing the stock price target for the SVAs, the starting price was \$69.13 per share, representing the average of the closing prices of company stock for all trading days in November and December 2014. The target ending share price range was established based on the expected annual rate of return for large-cap companies (8 percent), less an assumed dividend yield of 2.89 percent, rounded up to the nearest \$0.05. The ending price to determine payouts will be the average of the closing prices of company stock for all trading days in November and December 2017. The award is designed to deliver no payout to EOs if the shareholder return (including projected dividends) is zero or negative. The target share price growth of 5.1 percent per year is comparable to a compounded annual total shareholder return of 7.9 percent. Possible payouts based on share price ranges are illustrated in the grid below.

Ending Stock Price	Less than \$63.02	\$63.02-\$68.72	\$68.73- \$74.41	\$74.72- \$80.29	\$80.30- \$86.17	\$86.18- \$92.04	Greater than \$92.04
Compounded Annual Share Price Growth Rate (excluding dividends)	Less than (3.0%)	(3.0%)-(0.2)%	(0.2%)-2.5%	2.5%-5.1%	5.1%-7.6%	7.6% - 10.0%	Greater than 10.0%
Percent of Target	0%	40%	60%	80%	100%	120%	140%

2015 Compensation Payouts

The information in this section reflects the amounts paid to NEOs for the 2015 annual bonus and payouts from equity awards for which the relevant performance period ended in 2015.

2015 Company Performance

For 2015, the company slightly exceeded its revenue target with annual revenues of \$20.6 billion after adjustments as described in Appendix A. The company substantially exceeded its EPS target, with EPS of \$3.49 after adjustments as described in Appendix A. The company also made significant progress on its pipeline, meeting or exceeding most targets for pipeline progress, highlighted by regulatory approval for necitumumab, along with 10 other new approvals, indications, or line extensions during 2015.

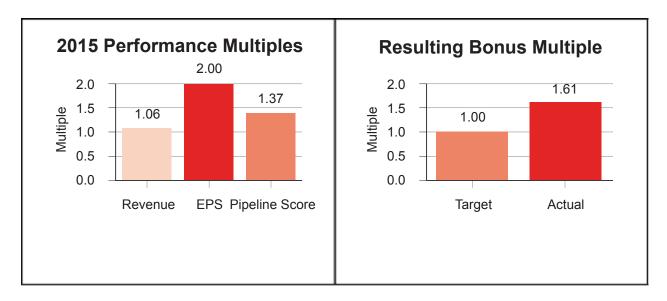
Bonus Award for 2015

The company's 2015 performance compared to targets for revenue, EPS, and pipeline progress, as well as the resulting bonus multiple, are illustrated below.

	2015 Corporate Target	Adjusted Results	Multiple ¹			
Revenue	\$20.4 billion	\$20.6 billion	1.06			
EPS	\$3.19	\$3.49	2.00			
Pipeline score	3	3.7	1.37			
Resulting Bonus Multiple 1.61						

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¹Performance goal multiples are capped at 2.0.



The Science and Technology Committee assessed the company's progress toward achieving product pipeline goals at 3.7 (on a scale of 1 to 5) including:

- 1 new molecular entity (NME) product approval consistent with goal, and 10 other significant approvals versus a goal of 6.
- 5 NMEs entering into Phase III versus a goal of 2 entrants.
- 60 percent of preclinical pipeline projects and 66 percent of clinical projects met their delivery reliability goals, compared with targets of 60 and 75 percent, respectively.
- Subjective assessment of the quality of the pipeline, considering many factors -- awarded a score of 5, recognizing another record-setting year for innovation.

Based on the recommendation of the Science and Technology Committee, the Compensation Committee certified a pipeline score of 3.7, resulting in a pipeline multiple of 1.37.

Combined, the revenue, EPS, and pipeline progress multiples yielded a bonus multiple of 1.61.

(0.25 x 1.06) + (0.50 x 2.00) + (0.25 x 1.37) = 1.61 bonus multiple

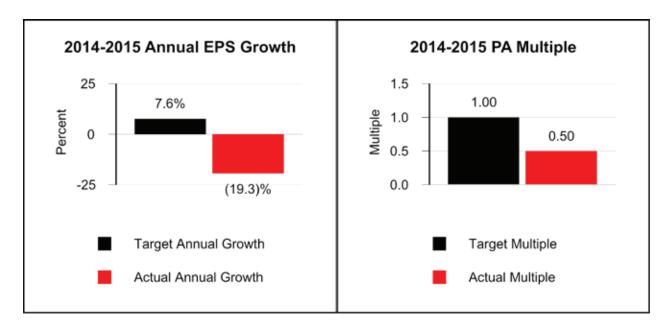
The bonus amounts paid to NEOs for 2015 are reflected in the "Summary Compensation Table" below.

Equity Award Payouts in 2015

2014-2015 Performance Award

The target cumulative EPS for the 2014-2015 PA was set in January 2014 reflecting expected industry growth of 7.6 percent each year. The company's two-year EPS growth decreased by 19.3%, reflecting the negative impact of multiple patent expirations.

The company's performance compared to targets (and the resulting multiple) for the 2014-2015 PA is reflected in the charts below.

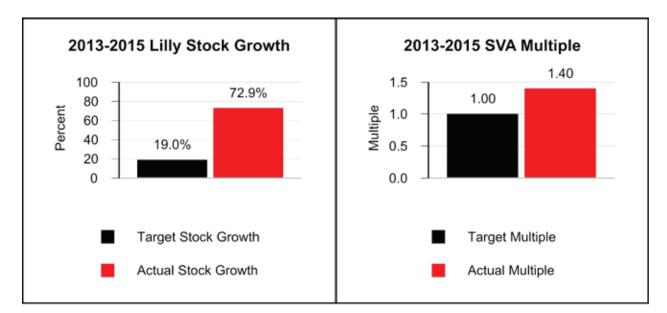


For the NEOs, the number of shares subject to an additional 13-month service-vesting period under the 2014-2015 PA is reflected in the table below (this information is also included in footnote 5 to the "Outstanding Equity Awards" table in the "Executive Compensation" section below):

Name	Target Shares	RSUs Earned		
Dr. Lechleiter	92,194	46,097		
Mr. Rice	38,926	19,463		
Dr. Lundberg	30,731	15,366		
Mr. Harrington	19,463	9,732		
Mr. Conterno	20,488	10,244		

2013-2015 Shareholder Value Award

The target stock price of \$57.65 for the 2013-2015 SVA was set in January 2013 based on a beginning stock price of \$48.43, which was the average closing price for Lilly stock for all trading days in November and December 2012. The ending stock price of \$83.74 represents stock price growth of approximately 73 percent over the relevant three-year period. The company's performance compared to target (and the resulting payout multiple) for the 2013-2015 SVA is shown below.



The shares paid to NEOs during 2015 for the 2013-2015 SVA were as follows:

Name	Target Shares	Shares Paid Out
Dr. Lechleiter	110,756	155,058
Mr. Rice	46,763	65,468
Dr. Lundberg	36,919	51,687
Mr. Harrington	21,536	30,150
Mr. Conterno	24,612	34,457

Other Compensation Practices and Information

Employee Benefits

The company offers core employee benefits coverage to:

- · provide our workforce with a reasonable level of financial support in the event of illness or injury,
- provide post-retirement income; and
- enhance productivity and job satisfaction through benefit programs that focus on overall well-being.

The benefits available are the same for all U.S. employees and include medical and dental coverage, disability insurance, and life insurance. In addition, The Lilly Employee 401(k) plan (the "401(k) Plan") and The Lilly Retirement Plan (the "Retirement Plan") provide U.S. employees a reasonable level of retirement income reflecting employees' careers with the company. To the extent that any employee's retirement benefit exceeds IRS limits for amounts that can be paid through a qualified plan, the company also offers a nonqualified pension plan and a nonqualified savings plan. These plans provide only the difference between the calculated benefits and the IRS limits, and the formula is the same for all U.S. employees. The cost of employee benefits is partially borne by the employee, including each executive officer.

Perquisites

The company provides very limited perquisites to executive officers. The company does not allow personal use of the corporate aircraft except the aircraft is made available for the personal use of Dr. Lechleiter in very rare cases when the security and efficiency benefits to the company outweigh the expense. The company did not incur any expenses for personal use by Dr. Lechleiter of its aircraft in 2015, nor did he receive any other perquisites. Depending on seat availability, family members and personal guests of executive officers may travel on the company aircraft to accompany executives who are traveling on business. There is no incremental cost to the company for these trips.

The Lilly Deferred Compensation Plan

Members of senior management may defer receipt of part or all of their cash compensation under The Lilly Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Deferred Compensation Plan"), which allows executives to save for retirement in a tax-effective way at minimal cost to the company. Under this unfunded plan, amounts deferred by the executive are credited at an interest rate of 120 percent of the applicable federal long-term rate, as described in more detail following the "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation in 2015" table.

Severance Benefits

Except in the case of a change in control of the company, the company is not obligated to pay severance to executive officers upon termination of their employment; any such payments are at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.

The company has adopted change-in-control severance pay plans for nearly all employees, including the executive officers. The plans are intended to preserve employee morale and productivity and encourage retention in the face of the disruptive impact of an actual or rumored change in control. In addition, the plans are intended to align executive and shareholder interests by enabling executives to evaluate corporate transactions that may be in the best interests of the shareholders and other constituents of the company without undue concern over whether the transactions may jeopardize the executives' own employment.

Highlights of our change-in-control severance plans						
All regular employees are covered	 Up to two-year pay protection 					
Double trigger generally required	 18-month benefit continuation 					
No tax gross-ups						

Although benefit levels may differ depending on the employee's job level and seniority, the basic elements of the plans are comparable for all eligible employees:

- **Double trigger**. Unlike "single trigger" plans that pay out immediately upon a change in control, our plans generally require a "double trigger"—a change in control followed by an involuntary loss of employment within two years thereafter. This is consistent with the plan's intent to provide employees with financial protection upon loss of employment. A partial exception is made for outstanding PAs, a portion of which would be paid out upon a change in control on a pro-rated basis for time worked based on the forecasted payout level at the time of the change in control. This partial payment is appropriate because of the difficulties in converting the company EPS targets into an award based on the surviving company's EPS. Likewise, if Lilly is not the surviving entity, a portion of outstanding SVAs would be paid out on a pro-rated basis for time worked up to the change in control based on the merger price for company stock.
- **Covered terminations**. Employees are eligible for payments if, within two years of the change in control, their employment is terminated (i) without cause by the company or (ii) for good reason by the employee, each as is defined in the plan. See "Executive Compensation Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control" for a more detailed discussion, including a discussion of what constitutes a change in control.
- Employees who suffer a covered termination receive up to two years of pay and 18 months of benefits protection. These provisions assure employees a reasonable period of protection of their income and core employee benefits.
 - Severance payment. Eligible terminated employees would receive a severance payment ranging from six months' to two years' base salary. Executives are all eligible for two years' base salary plus two times the then-current year's target bonus.
 - Benefit continuation. Basic employee benefits such as health and life insurance would be continued for 18 months following termination of employment, unless the individual becomes eligible for coverage with a new employer. All employees would receive an additional two years of both age and years-of-service credit for purposes of determining eligibility for retiree medical and dental benefits.
- Accelerated vesting of equity awards. Any unvested equity awards would vest at the time of termination of employment.
- *Excise tax*. In some circumstances, the payments or other benefits received by the employee in connection with a change in control could exceed limits established under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code. The employee would then be subject to an excise tax on top of normal federal income tax. The company does not reimburse employees for these taxes. However, the amount of change in control-related benefits will be reduced to the 280G limit if the effect would be to deliver a greater after-tax benefit than the employee would receive with an unreduced benefit.

Share Ownership and Retention Guidelines; Prohibition on Hedging and Pledging Shares

Share ownership and retention guidelines help to foster a focus on long-term growth. The CEO is required to own company stock valued at least six times annual base salary. During 2015, the requirement for other executive officers changed from a fixed number of shares to a multiple of annual base salary (2 or 3 times annual base salary depending on the position). Until the required number of shares is reached, the executive officer must retain 50 percent of net shares received from new equity payouts. Our executives have a long history of maintaining significant levels of company stock. As of February 19, 2016, Dr. Lechleiter held shares valued at approximately 49 times his annual salary. The following table shows the share requirements for each NEO:

Name	Share Requirement	Owns Required Shares
Dr. Lechleiter	six times base salary	Yes
Mr. Rice	three times base salary	Yes
Dr. Lundberg	three times base salary	Yes
Mr. Harrington	three times base salary	Yes
Mr. Conterno	three times base salary	Yes

Executive officers are also required to hold all shares received from equity program payouts, net of acquisition costs and taxes, for at least one year, even once share ownership requirements have been met. For PAs, this holding requirement is met by the one-year service-vesting period that applies after the end of the performance period.

Employees are not permitted to hedge their economic exposures to company stock through short sales or derivative transactions. Non-employee directors and all members of senior management are prohibited from pledging any company stock (i.e., using company stock as collateral for a loan or trading shares on margin).

Executive Compensation Recovery Policy

All incentive awards are subject to forfeiture upon termination of employment prior to the end of the performance period or for disciplinary reasons. In addition, the Compensation Committee has adopted an executive compensation recovery policy, which gives the committee broad discretion to claw back incentive payouts from any member of senior management (approximately 160 employees) whose misconduct results in a material violation of law or company policy that causes significant harm to the company, or who fails in his or her supervisory responsibility to prevent such misconduct by others.

Additionally, the company can recover all or a portion of any incentive compensation in the case of materially inaccurate financial statements or material errors in the performance calculation, whether or not they result in a restatement and whether or not the executive officer has engaged in wrongful conduct.

The recovery policy covers any incentive compensation awarded or paid to an employee at a time when he or she is a member of senior management. Subsequent changes in status, including retirement or termination of employment, do not affect the company's rights to recover compensation under the policy. Recoveries under the plan can extend back as far as three years.

Looking Ahead to 2016 Compensation

We periodically review our incentive programs to ensure alignment with our business strategy and the views of our stakeholders. As a result of a review conducted in 2015, it was concluded that the current programs have worked well, i.e., paid for performance, provided appropriate incentives for our executives, and met the interests of our external stakeholders as evidenced by strong say-on-pay vote outcomes and the positive feedback received during shareholder outreach calls. However, this review identified some enhancements to the Shareholder Value Award (SVA) for executive officers to be implemented in 2016, as follows:

- Changed the payout threshold and maximum to 50% and 150% (from 40% and 140%) to align with the PA's threshold and maximum payout levels.
- Added a "relative TSR modifier" to reflect our performance compared with the median performance of our peer group. This will incent our executives to deliver top performance within the industry in addition to driving absolute shareholder return. The number of shares to be paid will increase or decrease by 1% for every percentage point Lilly's three-year TSR deviates from our peer group's median three-year TSR (capped at +/-20%).
- Increased the portion of equity being awarded as SVAs (from 50% to 60%) to incent behaviors aligned with long-term growth.

We also approved minor changes to our peer group, adding Shire PIc and removing Abbott and also Allergan, which was acquired by Actavis in 2015.

Executive Compensation

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$) ¹	Option Awards (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) ²	Change in Pension Value (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$) ⁴	Total Compensation (\$)
John C. Lechleiter, Ph.D.	2015	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$11,350,000	\$0	\$3,622,500	\$0	\$90,000	\$16,562,500
Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer	2014	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$6,750,000	\$0	\$1,785,000	\$4,356,142	\$90,000	\$14,481,142
	2013	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$6,750,000	\$0	\$2,877,000	\$0	\$90,000	\$11,217,000
Derica W. Rice	2015	\$1,045,200	\$0	\$4,313,000	\$0	\$1,514,495	\$0	\$62,712	\$6,935,407
Executive Vice President, Global Services and	2014	\$1,019,700	\$0	\$2,850,000	\$0	\$780,071	\$2,023,458	\$61,182	\$6,734,411
Chief Financial Officer	2013	\$1,014,750	\$0	\$2,850,000	\$0	\$1,251,187	\$0	\$60,885	\$5,176,822
Jan M. Lundberg, Ph.D.	2015	\$1,007,855	\$0	\$3,859,000	\$0	\$1,460,382	\$390,645	\$60,471	\$6,778,353
Executive Vice President, Science and Technology	2014	\$1,007,855	\$0	\$2,250,000	\$0	\$771,009	\$517,761	\$60,471	\$4,607,096
and President, Lilly Research Laboratories	2013	\$1,002,963	\$0	\$2,250,000	\$0	\$1,236,653	\$224,741	\$60,178	\$4,774,535
Michael J. Harrington	2015	\$784,167	\$0	\$2,610,500	\$0	\$946,881	\$391,899	\$47,050	\$4,780,497
Senior Vice President and General Counsel	2014	\$765,000	\$0	\$1,425,000	\$0	\$487,688	\$1,330,586	\$45,900	\$4,054,174
General Couriser	2013	\$765,000	\$0	\$1,312,500	\$0	\$786,038	\$264,784	\$45,900	\$3,174,222
Enrique A. Conterno	2015	\$705,653	\$0	\$2,270,000	\$0	\$852,075	\$0	\$42,339	\$3,870,067
Senior Vice President and President Diabetes	2014	\$682,890	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$435,342	\$1,235,839	\$40,973	\$3,895,044
Business Unit	2013	\$680,658	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$699,376	\$88,167	\$40,840	\$3,009,041

¹ This column shows the grant date fair value of PAs and SVAs computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Values for awards subject to performance conditions (PAs) are computed based upon the probable outcome of the performance condition as of the grant date. The PA grant values includes in the "Stock Awards" column are based on the probable payout outcome anticipated at the time of grant, which was

different from the target value in each year. For purposes of comparison, the supplemental table below shows the total target grant values:

Name	2013 Total Equity	2014 Total Equity	2015 Total Equity
Dr. Lechleiter	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$10,000,000
Mr. Rice	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$3,800,000
Dr. Lundberg	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,400,000
Mr. Harrington	\$1,750,000	\$1,900,000	\$2,300,000
Mr. Conterno	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

The table below shows the minimum, target, and maximum payouts (using the grant date fair value) for the 2015-2016 PA grant included in this column of the Summary Compensation Table.

Name	Payout Date	Minimum Payout	Target Payout	Maximum Payout
Dr. Lechleiter	January 2017	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$7,500,000
Mr. Rice	January 2017	\$0	\$1,900,000	\$2,850,000
Dr. Lundberg	January 2017	\$0	\$1,700,000	\$2,550,000
Mr. Harrington	January 2017	\$0	\$1,150,000	\$1,725,000
Mr. Conterno	January 2017	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000

² Payments for 2015 performance under the bonus plan. All bonuses paid to NEOs were part of a non-equity incentive plan.

³ The amounts in this column reflect the change in pension value for each individual, calculated by our actuary, and are affected by additional service accruals and pay earned, as well as actuarial assumption changes. The changes in pension values in 2015 were driven to a large extent by a higher discount rate which lowered the net present value of pensions. The design of the pension benefit did not change. See the Pension Benefits in 2015 table on page 46 for information about the standard actuarial assumptions used. No named executive officer received preferential or above-market earnings on deferred compensation.

⁴ The amounts in this column are solely company matching contributions for each individual's 401(k) plan contributions. The company does not reimburse executives for taxes outside of the limited circumstance of taxes related to employee relocation or a prior international assignment. There were no reportable perquisites or personal benefits.

⁵ In some years, the net present value of the pension benefits for Dr. Lechleiter, Mr. Rice, and Mr. Conterno reflect no change from the previous year due to an increase in the discount rate over the prior year. For the other named executive officers, increases in pensionable earnings offset the impact of the increased discount rate.

Grants of Plan-Based Awards During 2015

The compensation plans under which the grants in the following table were made are described in the CD&A and consist of the bonus plan (a non-equity incentive plan) and the 2002 Lilly Stock Plan (which provides for PAs, SVAs, stock options, restricted stock grants, and RSUs).

				ι ι	nated Future P Jnder Non-Equ entive Plan Aw	itv	Pavo	timated Futur outs Under Eq ntive Plan Aw	uitv	All Other Stock or Option Awards:	
Name	Award	Grant Date ²	Compensation Committee Action Date	Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Threshold (# shares)	Target (# shares)	Maximum (# shares)	Number of Shares of Stock, Options, or Units	Grant Date Fair Value of Equity Awards
Dr. Lechleiter		-	-	\$56,250	\$2,250,000	\$4,500,000					
	2015-2016 PA	3/30/2015 ³	3/28/2015				35,542	71,083	106,625		\$6,350,000
	2015-2017 SVA	2/2/2015 4	1/26/2015				45,015	112,537	157,552		\$5,000,000
										0	
Mr. Rice		_	-	\$23,517	\$940,680	\$1,881,360					
	2015-2016 PA	3/30/2015 ³	3/28/2015				13,506	27,012	40,518		\$2,413,000
	2015-2017 SVA	2/2/2015 4	1/26/2015				17,106	42,764	59,870		\$1,900,000
										0	
Dr. Lundberg		_	-	\$22,677	\$907,070	\$1,814,139					
	2015-2016 PA	3/30/2015 ³	3/28/2015				12,084	24,168	36,252		\$2,159,000
	2015-2017 SVA	2/2/2015 4	1/26/2015				15,305	38,262	53,567		\$1,700,000
										0	
Mr. Harrington		—	-	\$14,703	\$588,125	\$1,176,250					
	2015-2016 PA	3/30/2015 ³	3/28/2015				8,175	16,349	24,524		\$1,460,500
	2015-2017 SVA	2/2/2015 4	1/26/2015				10,353	25,883	36,236		\$1,150,000
										0	
Mr. Conterno		—	-	\$13,231	\$529,239	\$1,058,479					
	2015-2016 PA	3/30/2015 ³	3/28/2015				7,109	14,217	21,326		\$1,270,000
	2015-2017 SVA	2/2/2015 4	1/26/2015				9,003	22,507	31,510		\$1,000,000
										0	

¹ These columns show the threshold, target, and maximum payouts for performance under the bonus plan. Bonus payouts range from 0 to 200 percent of target. The bonus payment for 2015 performance was 161 percent of target, and is included in the "Summary Compensation Table" in the column titled "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation."

² To assure grant timing is not manipulated for employee gain, the annual grant date is established in advance by the Compensation Committee. Equity awards to new hires and other off-cycle grants are effective on the first trading day of the following month.

³ This row shows the range of payouts for 2015-2016 PA grants. This PA will pay out in January 2017, with payouts ranging from 0 to 150 percent of target. The grant-date fair value of the PA reflects the probable payout outcome anticipated at the time of grant, which was greater than the target value.

⁴ This row shows the range of payouts for 2015-2017 SVA grants. This SVA will pay out in January 2018, with payouts ranging from 0 to 140 percent of target. We measure the fair value of the SVA on the grant date using a Monte Carlo simulation model.

To receive a payout under the PA or the SVA, a participant must remain employed with the company through the end of the relevant performance period (except in the case of death, disability, retirement, or reallocation). No dividends accrue on either PAs or SVAs during the performance period. Non-preferential dividends accrue during the earned PA's one-year restriction period (following the two-year performance period) and are paid upon vesting.

Outstanding Equity Awards at December 31, 2015

The 2015 closing stock price applied to the values in the table below was \$84.26.

			Stock Awards	I	
Name	Award	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units, or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (#)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units, or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (\$)
Dr. Lechleiter	2015-2017 SVA			157,552 ²	\$13,275,332
	2014-2016 SVA			172,178 ³	\$14,507,718
	2015-2016 PA			35,542 4	\$2,994,769
	2014-2015 PA	46,097 ⁵	\$3,884,133		
	2013-2014 PA	46,623 ⁶	\$3,928,454		
Mr. Rice	2015-2017 SVA			59,870 ²	\$5,044,646
	2014-2016 SVA			72,698 ³	\$6,125,533
	2015-2016 PA			13,506 4	\$1,138,016
	2014-2015 PA	19,463 ⁵	\$1,639,952		
	2013-2014 PA	19,685 ⁶	\$1,658,658		
Dr. Lundberg	2015-2017 SVA			53,567 ²	\$4,513,555
	2014-2016 SVA			57,393 ³	\$4,835,934
	2015-2016 PA			12,084 ⁴	\$1,018,198
	2014-2015 PA	15,366 ⁵	\$1,294,739		
	2013-2014 PA	15,541 ⁶	\$1,309,485		
Mr. Harrington	2015-2017 SVA			36,236 ²	\$3,053,245
	2014-2016 SVA			36,348 ³	\$3,062,682
	2015-2016 PA			8,175 ⁴	\$688,826
	2014-2015 PA	9,732 ⁵	\$820,018		
	2013-2014 PA	9,066 ⁶	\$763,901		
Mr. Conterno	2015-2017 SVA			31,510 ²	\$2,655,033
	2014-2016 SVA			38,262 ³	\$3,223,956
	2015-2016 PA			7,109 4	\$599,004
	2014-2015 PA	10,244 ⁵	\$863,159		
	2013-2014 PA	10,360 ⁶	\$872,934		
	RSU	20,000 7	\$1,685,200		

- ¹ The chart no longer includes stock option awards as the company has not awarded stock options to employees since 2006 and there are no outstanding stock option awards.
- ² SVAs granted for the 2015-2017 performance period. The number of shares reported reflects the maximum payout, which will be made if the average closing stock price in November and December 2017 is over \$92.04. Actual payouts may vary from 0 to 140 percent of target. Net shares from any payout must be held by executive officers for a minimum of one year. Had the performance period ended December 31, 2015, the payout would have been 100 percent of target.
- ³ SVAs granted for the 2014-2016 performance period. The number of shares reported reflects the maximum payout, which will be made if the average closing stock price in November and December 2016 is over \$65.44. Actual payouts may vary from 0 to 140 percent of target. Net shares from any payout must be held by executive officers for a minimum of one year. Had the performance period ended December 31, 2015, the payout would have been 140 percent of target.
- ⁴ This number represents the threshold value of PA shares that could pay out for 2015-2016 performance, provided performance goals are met. Once the combined cumulative EPS result and associated payout level is determined, RSUs vesting in February 2018 will be issued. Actual payouts may vary from 0 to 150 percent

of target. The number of shares recorded in the table reflects the payout if the combined cumulative EPS for 2015 and 2016 is \$6.15.

⁵ The 2014-2015 PA was determined to be 50 percent of target in January 2016 and the resulting RSUs will vest February 2017.

⁶ RSUs vested February 2016 from the 2013-2014 PA.

⁷ This grant was made in 2008 outside of the normal annual cycle and will vest on May 1, 2018.

Options Exercised and Stock Vested in 2015

	Option Awards		Stock Awar	ds
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$) ¹
Dr. Lechleiter	er 140.964 \$2.864.829		52,462 ²	\$3,777,264
	140,904	φ <u>2</u> ,004,029	155,058 ³	\$12,708,586
Mr. Rice	E7 100	¢1 004 14E	26,581 ²	\$1,913,832
	57,108	\$1,024,145	65,468 ³	\$5,365,774
Dr. Lundberg	0	\$0	20,985 ²	\$1,510,920
	0	\$ 0	51,687 ³	\$4,236,234
Mr. Harrington	6.024	¢00.610	0	\$0
	6,024	\$88,613	30,150 ³	\$2,471,127
Mr. Conterno	6.028	¢160.975	13,990 ²	\$1,007,280
	6,928	\$169,875	34,457 ³	\$2,824,079

¹ Amounts reflect the market value of the stock on the day the stock vested.

² RSUs resulting from the 2012-2013 PA vested in February 2015.

³ Payout of the 2013-2015 SVA at 140 percent of target.

Retirement Benefits

We provide retirement income to eligible U.S. employees, including executive officers, through the following plans:

- The 401(k) Plan, a defined contribution plan qualified under Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Participants may elect to contribute a portion of their base salary to the plan, and the company provides matching contributions on employees' contributions up to 6 percent of base salary up to IRS limits. The employee contributions, company contributions, and earnings thereon are paid out in accordance with elections made by the participant. See the "All Other Compensation" column in the "Summary Compensation Table" for information about company contributions under the 401(k) Plan for the named executive officers.
- The Retirement Plan, a tax-qualified defined benefit plan that provides monthly benefits to retirees. See the "Pension Benefits in 2015" table below for additional information about the value of these pension benefits.

Sections 401 and 415 of the Internal Revenue Code generally limit the amount of annual pension that can be paid from a tax-qualified plan (\$265,000 in 2015 and 2016) as well as the amount of annual earnings that can be used to calculate a pension benefit. However, since 1975 the company has maintained a nonqualified pension plan that pays retirees the difference between the amount payable under the Retirement Plan and the amount they would have received without the Internal Revenue Code limits. The nonqualified pension plan is unfunded and subject to forfeiture in the event of bankruptcy.

The following table shows benefits that the named executive officers have accrued under the Retirement Plan and the nonqualified pension plan.

Pension Benefits in 2015

Name	Plan	Number of Years of Credited Service	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit (\$) ¹	Payments During Last Fiscal Year (\$)
Dr. Lechleiter ²	retirement plan (pre-2010)	30	\$1,496,356	
	retirement plan (post-2009)	6	\$203,236	
	nonqualified plan (pre-2010)	30	\$27,379,687	
	nonqualified plan (post-2009)	6	\$3,396,749	
	total		\$32,476,028	\$0
Mr. Rice	retirement plan (pre-2010)	20	\$762,942	
	retirement plan (post-2009)	6	\$121,986	
	nonqualified plan (pre-2010)	20	\$6,246,898	
	nonqualified plan (post-2009)	6	\$933,180	
	total		\$8,065,006	\$0
Dr. Lundberg	retirement plan (post-2009)	6	\$212,890	
	nonqualified plan (post-2009)	6	\$1,546,009	
	total		\$1,758,899	\$0
Mr. Harrington	retirement plan (pre-2010)	18	\$727,073	
	retirement plan (post-2009)	6	\$133,848	
	nonqualified plan (pre-2010)	18	\$2,419,836	
	nonqualified plan (post-2009)	6	\$426,410	
	total	1	\$3,707,167	\$0
Mr. Conterno	retirement plan (pre-2010)	17	\$648,486	
	retirement plan (post-2009)	6	\$116,454	
	nonqualified plan (pre-2010)	17	\$2,906,865	
	nonqualified plan (post-2009)	6	\$494,664	
	total		\$4,166,469	\$0

¹ The following standard actuarial assumptions were used to calculate the present value of each individual's accumulated pension benefit:

Discount rate:	4.75 percent
Mortality (post-retirement decrement only):	RP2006 with generational projection using Scale MP2015
Pre-2010 joint and survivor benefit (% of pension):	50% until age 62; 25% thereafter
Post-2009 benefit payment form:	life annuity

² Dr. Lechleiter is currently eligible for full retirement benefits under the old plan formula (pre-2010 benefits) and qualifies for early retirement under the new plan formula (post-2009 benefits) as described below.

The Retirement Plan benefits shown in the table are net present values. The benefits are not payable as a lump sum; they are generally paid as a monthly annuity for the life of the retiree and, if elected, any qualifying survivor. The annual benefit under the retirement plan is calculated using years of service and the average of the annual earnings (salary plus bonus) for the highest five out of the last 10 calendar years of service (final average earnings).

Post-2009 Plan Information: Following amendment of our Retirement Plan formulae, employees hired on or after February 1, 2008 have accrued retirement benefits only under the new plan formula. Employees hired before that date have accrued benefits under both the old and new plan formulae. All eligible employees, including those hired on or after February 1, 2008, can retire at age 65 with at least five years of service and receive an unreduced benefit. The annual benefit under the new plan formula is equal to 1.2 percent of final average earnings multiplied by years of service. Early retirement benefits under this plan formula are reduced

6 percent for each year under age 65. Transition benefits were afforded to employees with 50 points (age plus service) or more as of December 31, 2009. These benefits were intended to ease the transition to the new retirement formula for those employees who were closer to retirement or had been with the company longer at the time the plan was changed. For the transition group, early retirement benefits are reduced 3 percent for each year from age 65 to age 60 and 6 percent for each year under age 60. All named executive officers except Dr. Lundberg are in this transition group.

Pre-2010 Plan Information: Employees hired prior to February 1, 2008 accrued benefits under both plan formulae. For these employees, benefits that accrued before January 1, 2010 were calculated under the old plan formula. The amount of the benefit is calculated using actual years of service through December 31, 2009, while total years of service is used to determine eligibility and early retirement reductions. The benefit amount is increased (but not decreased) proportionately, based on final average earnings at termination compared to final average earnings at December 31, 2009. Full retirement benefits are earned by employees with 90 or more points (the sum of his or her age plus years of service). Employees electing early retirement receive reduced benefits as described below:

- The benefit for employees with between 80 and 90 points is reduced by 3 percent for each year under 90 points or age 62.
- The benefit for employees who have less than 80 points, but who reached age 55 and have at least 10 years of service, is reduced as described above and is further reduced by 6 percent for each year under 80 points or age 65.

Name	Plan	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$) ¹	Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$) ²	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year End (\$) ³
Dr. Lechleiter	nonqualified savings	\$74,100	\$74,100	\$300,087	\$0	\$3,466,951
	deferred compensation	\$1,249,500		\$424,443		\$12,069,225
	total	\$1,323,600	\$74,100	\$724,530	\$0	\$15,536,176
Mr. Rice	nonqualified savings	\$46,812	\$46,812	\$102,420	\$0	\$1,437,499
	deferred compensation	\$0		\$0		\$0
	total	\$46,812	\$46,812	\$102,420	\$0	\$1,437,499
Dr. Lundberg	nonqualified savings	\$44,571	\$44,571	\$53,817	\$0	\$698,107
	deferred compensation	\$0		\$0		\$0
	total	\$44,571	\$44,571	\$53,817	\$0	\$698,107
Mr. Harrington	nonqualified savings	\$31,150	\$31,150	\$2,740		\$296,231
	deferred compensation	\$0		\$4,544		\$140,233
	total	\$31,150	\$31,150	\$7,284	\$0	\$436,464
Mr. Conterno	nonqualified savings	\$26,439	\$26,439	\$53,868	\$0	\$648,314
	deferred compensation	\$100,000		\$31,344		\$884,918
	total	\$126,439	\$26,439	\$85,212	\$0	\$1,533,232

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation in 2015

¹ The amounts in this column are also included in the "Summary Compensation Table," in the "Salary" column (nonqualified savings) or the "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" column (deferred compensation).

² The amounts in this column are also included in the "Summary Compensation Table," in the "All Other Compensation" column as a portion of the savings plan match.

³ Of the totals in this column, the following amounts have previously been reported in the "Summary Compensation Table" for this year and for previous years:

Name	2015 (\$)	Previous Years (\$)	Total (\$)
Dr. Lechleiter	\$1,397,700	\$10,631,831	\$12,029,531
Mr. Rice	\$93,624	\$705,338	\$798,962
Dr. Lundberg	\$89,142	\$438,535	\$527,677
Mr. Harrington	\$62,300	\$121,800	\$184,100
Mr. Conterno	\$152,878	\$452,166	\$605,044

The "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation in 2015" table above shows information about two company programs: the nonqualified savings plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan. The nonqualified savings plan is designed to allow each employee to contribute up to 6 percent of his or her base salary, and receive a company match, beyond the contribution limits prescribed by the IRS with regard to 401(k) plans. This plan is administered in the same manner as the 401(k) Plan, with the same participation and investment elections. Executive officers and other U.S. executives may also defer receipt of all or part of their cash compensation under the Deferred Compensation Plan. Amounts deferred by executives under this plan are credited with interest at 120 percent of the applicable federal long-term rate as established the preceding December by the U.S. Treasury Department under Section 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code with monthly compounding, which was 3.2 percent for 2015 and is 3.1 percent for 2016. Participants may elect to receive the funds in a lump sum or in up to 10 annual installments following retirement, but may not make withdrawals during their employment, except in the event of hardship as approved by the Compensation Committee. All deferral elections and associated distribution schedules are irrevocable. Both plans are unfunded and subject to forfeiture in the event of bankruptcy.

Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control (as of December 31, 2015)

The following table describes the potential payments and benefits under the company's compensation and benefit plans and arrangements to which the named executive officers would be entitled upon termination of employment. Except for certain terminations following a change in control of the company, as described below, there are no agreements, arrangements, or plans that entitle named executive officers to severance, perquisites, or other enhanced benefits upon termination of their employment. Any agreement to provide such payments or benefits to a terminating executive officer (other than following a change in control) would be at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.

	Cash Severance Payment ¹	Continuation of Medical / Welfare Benefits (present value) ²	Value of Acceleration of Equity Awards	Total Termination Benefits	
Dr. Lechleiter					
Voluntary retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary retirement or termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
 Involuntary or good reason termination after change in control 	\$7,500,000	\$16,334	\$14,738,376	\$22,254,710	
Mr. Rice					
Voluntary termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary retirement or termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
 Involuntary or good reason termination after change in control 	\$3,991,140	\$287,391	\$7,234,362	\$11,512,893	
Dr. Lundberg					
Voluntary retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary retirement or termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
 Involuntary or good reason termination after change in control 	\$3,829,849	\$18,872	\$6,017,402	\$9,866,123	
Mr. Harrington					
Voluntary retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary retirement or termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
 Involuntary or good reason termination after change in control 	\$2,758,000	\$265,548	\$3,922,532	\$6,946,080	
Mr. Conterno					
Voluntary termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary retirement or termination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Involuntary or good reason termination after change in control	\$2,485,718	\$31,739	\$4,305,551	\$6,823,008	

¹ See "Change-in-Control Severance Pay Plan—Cash Severance Payment" below.

² See "Accrued Pay and Regular Retirement Benefits" and "Change-in-Control Severance Pay Plan— Continuation of medical and welfare benefits" below.

Accrued Pay and Regular Retirement Benefits. The amounts shown in the table above do not include certain payments and benefits to the extent they are provided on a non-discriminatory basis to salaried employees generally upon termination of employment. These include:

- accrued salary and vacation pay.
- regular pension benefits under the Retirement Plan and the nonqualified pension plan. See "Retirement Benefits" above.
- welfare benefits provided to all U.S. retirees, including retiree medical and dental insurance. The amounts shown in the table above as "Continuation of Medical / Welfare Benefits" are explained below.
- distributions of plan balances under the 401(k) Plan, the nonqualified savings plan, and the Deferred Compensation Plan. See the narrative following the "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation in 2015" table for information about these plans.

Deferred Compensation. The amounts shown in the table do not include distributions of plan balances under the deferred compensation plan. Those balances are shown in the "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation in 2015" table.

Death and Disability. A termination of employment due to death or disability does not entitle named executive officers to any payments or benefits that are not available to U.S. salaried employees generally.

Termination for Cause. Executives terminated for cause receive no severance or enhanced benefits and forfeit any unvested equity grants.

Change-in-Control Severance Pay Plan. As described in the CD&A under "Severance Benefits," the company maintains a change-in-control severance pay plan for nearly all employees, including the named executive officers. The change-in-control plan defines a change in control very specifically, but generally the terms include the occurrence of one of the following: (i) acquisition of 20 percent or more of the company's stock; (ii) replacement by the shareholders of one half or more of the Board of Directors; (iii) consummation of a merger, share exchange, or consolidation of the company (other than a transaction that results in the Lilly shareholders prior to the transaction continuing to hold more than 60% of the voting stock of the combined entity); or (iv) liquidation of the company or sale or disposition of all or substantially all of its assets. The amounts shown in the table for "involuntary or good-reason termination after change in control" are based on the following assumptions and plan provisions:

- <u>Covered terminations</u>. The table assumes a termination of employment that is eligible for severance under the terms of the plan, based on the named executive officer's compensation, benefits, age, and service credit at December 31, 2015. Eligible terminations include an involuntary termination for reasons other than for cause or a voluntary termination by the executive for good reason, within two years following the change in control.
 - A termination of an executive officer by the company is for cause if it is for any of the following reasons: (i) the employee's willful and continued refusal to perform, without legal cause, his or her material duties, resulting in demonstrable economic harm to the company; (ii) any act of fraud, dishonesty, or gross misconduct resulting in significant economic harm or other significant harm to the business reputation of the company; or (iii) conviction of or the entering of a plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* to a felony.
 - A termination by the executive officer is for good reason if it results from: (i) a material diminution in the nature or status of the executive's position, title, reporting relationship, duties, responsibilities, or authority, or the assignment to him or her of additional responsibilities that materially increase his or her workload; (ii) any reduction in the executive's then-current base salary; (iii) a material reduction in the executive's opportunities to earn incentive bonuses below those in effect for the year prior to the change in control; (iv) a material reduction in the executive's employee benefits from the benefit levels in effect immediately prior to the change in control; (v) the failure to grant to the executive stock options, stock units, performance shares, or similar incentive rights during each 12-month period following the change in control on the basis of a number of shares or units and all other material terms at least as favorable to the executive as those rights granted to him or her on an annualized average basis for the three-year period immediately prior to the change in control; or (vi) relocation of the executive by more than 50 miles.
- <u>Cash severance payment</u>. The cash severance payment amounts to two times the executive officer's annual base salary plus two times the executive officer's bonus target for that year under the bonus plan.
- <u>Continuation of medical and welfare benefits</u>. This amount represents the present value of the change-incontrol plan's provision, following a covered termination, of 18 months of continued coverage equivalent to the company's current active employee medical, dental, life, and long-term disability insurance. Similar actuarial assumptions to those used to calculate incremental pension benefits apply to the calculation for continuation of medical and welfare benefits, with the addition of actual COBRA rates based on current benefit elections.
- <u>Acceleration of equity awards</u>. Upon a covered termination, any unvested equity awards would vest and a
 partial payment of outstanding PAs would be made, reduced to reflect the portion of the performance
 period worked prior to the change in control. Likewise, in the case of a change in control in which Lilly is
 not the surviving entity, SVAs would pay out based on the change-in-control stock price and be prorated
 for the portion of the three-year performance period elapsed. The amount in this column represents the
 value of the acceleration of unvested equity grants, prorated for PAs and SVAs that would have been
 applicable at December 31, 2015.

 <u>Excise taxes</u>. Upon a change in control, employees may be subject to certain excise taxes under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code. The company does not reimburse the affected employees for those excise taxes or any income taxes payable by the employee. To reduce the employee's exposure to excise taxes, the employee's change-in-control benefit may be decreased to maximize the after-tax benefit to the individual.

Payments Upon Change in Control Alone. In general, the change-in-control plan is a "double trigger" plan, meaning payments are made only if the employee suffers a covered termination of employment within two years following the change in control. There are limited exceptions for pro-rata portions of PAs and SVAs, based on performance to the date of the change in control, as noted above under "Acceleration of equity awards."

Compensation Committee Matters

Background

Role of the Independent Consultant In Assessing Executive Compensation

The committee has retained Cimi B. Silverberg of Frederic W. Cook & Co., Inc., as its independent compensation consultant. Ms. Silverberg reports directly to the committee. Neither she nor her firm is permitted to have any business or personal relationship with management or the members of the Compensation Committee. The consultant's responsibilities are to:

- Review the company's total compensation philosophy, peer group, and target competitive positioning for reasonableness and appropriateness
- Review the company's executive compensation program and advise the committee of evolving best practices
- Provide independent analyses and recommendations to the committee on the CEO's pay
- Review draft CD&A and related tables for the proxy statement
- Proactively advise the committee on best practices for board governance of executive compensation
- · Undertake special projects at the request of the committee chair

Ms. Silverberg interacts directly with members of company management only on matters under the committee's oversight and with the knowledge and permission of the committee chair.

Role of Executive Officers and Management In Assessing Executive Compensation

With the oversight of the CEO and the senior vice president of human resources and diversity, the company's global compensation group formulates recommendations on compensation philosophy, plan design, and compensation for executive officers (other than the CEO, as noted below). The CEO provides the committee with a performance assessment and compensation recommendation for each of the other executive officers. The committee considers those recommendations with the assistance of its consultant. The CEO and the senior vice president of human resources and diversity attend committee meetings but are not present for executive sessions or for any discussion of their own compensation. Only nonemployee directors and the committee's consultant attend executive sessions.

The CEO does not participate in the formulation or discussion of his pay recommendations and has no prior knowledge of the recommendations that the consultant makes to the committee.

Risk Assessment Process

As a part of the company's overall enterprise risk management program, in 2015 the committee reviewed the company's compensation policies and practices and concluded that the programs and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the company. The committee noted numerous design features of the company's cash and equity incentive programs that reduce the likelihood of inappropriate risk-taking, including, but not limited to:

- The committee is comprised of independent directors only.
- · The committee engages its own independent compensation consultant.
- · The committee has downward discretion to lower compensation plan payouts.
- The committee approves all adjustments to financial results that affect compensation calculations.
- Different measures and metrics are used across multiple incentive plans which appropriately balance cash/stock, fixed/variable pay and short-term/long-term incentives.
- Incentive plans have predetermined maximum payouts.
- Performance objectives are challenging but achievable.
- Programs with operational metrics have a continuum of payout multiples based upon achievement of performance milestones, rather than "cliffs" that might encourage sub-optimal or improper behavior.
- A compensation recovery policy is in place for all members of senior management; negative compensation consequences can be applied in cases of serious compliance violations.
- Meaningful share ownership requirements are in place for all members of senior management and the Board.

Compensation Committee Report

The Compensation Committee evaluates and establishes compensation for executive officers and oversees the deferred compensation plan, the company's management stock plans, and other management incentive and benefit programs. Management has the primary responsibility for the company's financial statements and reporting process, including the disclosure of executive compensation. With this in mind, the Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed with management the CD&A above. The committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the CD&A be included in this proxy statement for filing with the SEC.

Compensation Committee Karen N. Horn, Ph.D., Chair Ralph Alvarez Ellen R. Marram Kathi P. Seifert

Item 3. Proposal to Ratify the Appointment of Principal Independent Auditor

Audit Committee Oversight of Independent Auditor

The Audit Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention, and oversight of the independent external auditor, and oversees the process for selecting, reviewing, and evaluating the lead audit partner. Further information regarding the committee's oversight of the independent auditor can be found in the Audit Committee charter, available online at http://investor.lilly.com/governance.cfm, or upon request to the company's corporate secretary.

In connection with the decision regarding whether to re-appoint the independent auditor each year (subject to shareholder ratification), the committee assesses the independent auditor's performance. This assessment examines three primary criteria: (1) the independent auditor's qualifications and experience; (2) the communication and interactions with the auditor over the course of the year; and (3) the auditor's independence, objectivity, and professional skepticism. These criteria are assessed against an internal and an external scorecard, and are discussed with management during a private session, as well as in executive session. The committee also periodically considers whether a rotation of the company's independent auditor is advisable.

Ernst & Young LLP (EY) served as the principal independent auditor for the company in 2015. Based on this year's assessment of EY's performance, the Audit Committee believes that the continued retention of EY to serve as the company's principal independent auditor is in the best interests of the company and its shareholders, and has therefore reappointed the firm of EY as principal independent auditor for the company for 2016. In accordance with the bylaws, this appointment is being submitted to the shareholders for ratification.

Representatives of EY are expected to be present at the annual meeting and will be available to respond to questions. Those representatives will have the opportunity to make a statement if they wish to do so.

Board Recommendation on Item 3

The Board recommends that you vote FOR ratifying the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as principal independent auditor for 2016.

Audit Committee Report

The Audit Committee reviews the company's financial reporting process on behalf of the Board. Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the systems of internal controls and disclosure controls. In this context, the committee has met and held discussions with management and the independent auditor. Management represented to the committee that the company's consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), and the committee has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements and related disclosures with management and the independent auditor, including a review of the significant management judgments underlying the financial statements and disclosures.

The independent auditor reports to the Audit Committee, which has sole authority to appoint and to replace the independent auditor.

The committee has discussed with the independent auditor matters required to be discussed with the Audit Committee by the standards of the Public Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) and the NYSE, including the quality, not just the acceptability, of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments, and the clarity of the disclosures in the financial statements. In addition, the committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent auditor required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and has discussed with the independent auditor the auditor's independence from the company and its management. In concluding that the auditor is independent, the committee determined, among other things, that the nonaudit services provided by EY (as described below) were compatible with its independence. Consistent with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the Sarbanes-Oxley Act), the committee has adopted policies to ensure the independence of the independent auditor, such as prior committee approval of nonaudit services and required audit partner rotation.

The committee discussed with the company's internal and independent auditors the overall scope and plans for their respective audits, including internal control testing under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. The committee periodically meets with the internal and independent auditors, with and without management present, and in private sessions with members of senior management (such as the chief financial officer and the chief accounting officer) to discuss the results of their examinations, their evaluations of the company's internal controls, and the overall quality of the company's financial reporting. The committee also periodically meets in executive session.

In reliance on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the committee recommended to the Board (and the Board subsequently approved the recommendation) that the audited financial statements be included in the company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, for filing with the SEC. The committee has also appointed the company's independent auditor, subject to shareholder ratification, for 2016.

Audit Committee

Michael L. Eskew, Chair Katherine Baicker, Ph.D. Kathi P. Seifert Jackson P. Tai

Services Performed by the Independent Auditor

The Audit Committee preapproves all services performed by the independent auditor, in part to assess whether the provision of such services might impair the auditor's independence. The committee's policy and procedures are as follows:

- Audit services: The committee approves the annual audit services engagement and, if necessary, any
 changes in terms, conditions, and fees resulting from changes in audit scope, company structure, or other
 matters. Audit services include internal controls attestation work under Section 404 of the SarbanesOxley Act. The committee may also preapprove other audit services, which are those services that only
 the independent auditor reasonably can provide.
- **Audit-related services:** Audit-related services are assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or reviews of the financial statements, and that are traditionally performed by the independent auditor. The committee believes that the provision of these services does not impair the independence of the auditor.
- **Tax services:** The committee believes that, in appropriate cases, the independent auditor can provide tax compliance services, tax planning, and tax advice without impairing the auditor's independence.
- **Other services:** The committee may approve other services to be provided by the independent auditor if (i) the services are permissible under SEC and PCAOB rules, (ii) the committee believes the provision of the services would not impair the independence of the auditor, and (iii) management believes that the auditor is the best choice to provide the services.
- **Approval process:** At the beginning of each audit year, management requests prior committee approval of the annual audit, statutory audits, and quarterly reviews for the upcoming audit year as well as any other services known at that time. Management will also present at that time an estimate of all fees for the upcoming audit year. As specific engagements are identified thereafter, they are brought forward to the committee for approval. To the extent approvals are required between regularly scheduled committee meetings, preapproval authority is delegated to the committee chair.

For each engagement, management provides the committee with information about the services and fees, sufficiently detailed to allow the committee to make an informed judgment about the nature and scope of the services and the potential for the services to impair the independence of the auditor.

After the end of the audit year, management provides the committee with a summary of the actual fees incurred for the completed audit year.

Independent Auditor Fees

The following table shows the fees incurred for services rendered on a worldwide basis by EY in 2015 and 2014. All such services were pre-approved by the committee in accordance with the pre-approval policy.

		2015 (\$ millions)	2014 (\$ millions)
Audit Fees			
	Annual audit of consolidated and subsidiary financial statements, including Sarbanes-Oxley 404 attestation	\$13.1	\$10.3
	Reviews of quarterly financial statements		
	• Other services normally provided by the auditor in connection with statutory and regulatory filings		
Audit-Related	Fees		
	 Assurance and related services reasonably related to the performance of the audit or reviews of the financial statements 	\$0.7	\$1.3
	 2015 and 2014: primarily related to employee benefit plan and other ancillary audits, and due diligence services on potential acquisitions 		
Tax Fees		\$5.6	\$2.3
	 2015 and 2014: primarily related to consulting and compliance services 		
All Other Fees		\$0.1	\$0.1
	 2015 and 2014: primarily related to consulting and compliance services 		
Total		\$19.5	\$14.0

Item 4. Proposal Seeking a Report Regarding How We Select the Countries In Which We Operate or Invest

National Center for Public Policy Research, 20 F Street NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001, beneficial owner of approximately 100 shares, has submitted the following proposal:

RESOLVED: The proponent requests the Board review the Company's guidelines for selecting countries/regions for its operations and issue a report, at reasonable expense excluding any proprietary information, to shareholders by December 2016. The report should identify Lilly's criteria for investing in, operating in and withdrawing from high-risk regions.

Supporting Statement

If the Company chooses, the review may consider developing guidelines on investing or withdrawing from areas where the government has engaged in systematic human rights violations.

In its review and report, the Company might also consider a congruency analysis between its stated corporate values and Company operations in certain regions, which raises an issue of misalignment with those corporate values, and stating the justification for such exceptions.

For example, our Company bashed a state-level religious freedom law as "bad for Indiana and for business." In doing so, the Company aligned itself with an anti-religious movement that falsely claims religious freedom laws are masks for anti-homosexual bigotry. Yet, the Company has done business in regions where homosexual behavior is actually criminalized. These two positions are incongruous.

Additionally, on its website, the Company boasts about its commitment to women and diversity. However, the Company has done business in Iran where women are treated as second-class citizens. These two positions are incongruous.

The proponent believes that Lilly's record to date demonstrates a gap between its lofty rhetoric and its performance. The requested report would play a role in illuminating and addressing the factors accounting for this gap.

Statement in Opposition to Shareholder Proposal

Our vision is to make a significant contribution to humanity by improving global health in the 21st century and creating a sustainable global food supply. We are committed to the goal of making life better for people around the world. For that reason, our products are sold worldwide, in approximately 125 countries, and we have built a global infrastructure to support this business. We manufacture and distribute our products through facilities in the United States (U.S.), Puerto Rico and 14 other countries.

Consistent with our longstanding values of integrity, excellence, and respect for people, in all countries in which we operate, we treat our employees fairly and with respect and follow local labor laws. We believe embracing diversity means understanding, respecting, and valuing differences, and we have taken several steps to ensure that others understand our commitment to diversity and protecting human rights.

Globally, we set strict expectations for our suppliers and vendors relating to human rights. Lilly's Supplier Code of Business Conduct, a publicly available document, sets an expectation that: "We conduct our business activities with respect for people and a commitment to diversity, equal opportunity, and freedom from exposure to improper conduct and discrimination."

Since 2010, Lilly has been a signatory to the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC), a commitment to 10 universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labor, the environment, and anti-corruption. Lilly publicly issues an annual Corporate Responsibility report as a Communication on Progress for the UNGC, which

includes a section on "Upholding Human Rights throughout the Supply Chain" and outlines our investments in our employees and their well-being. This report also includes information on our diversity initiatives.

As our 2012-2013 Corporate Responsibility report notes: "In mid-2012, Lilly, in conjunction with the other participating companies of PSCI [Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Initiative], began developing baseline supplier questionnaires that address not only compliance with HSE standards, but also human rights and ethics. We also began collaboration with PSCI to conduct joint industry audits of selected suppliers. These on-site audits are aimed at assessing and verifying the adherence of our suppliers to high standards in HSE performance, human rights, and ethics."

This proposal requests that the Board review our guidelines for selecting countries/regions for our operations and that we issue a report outlining criteria for operating in high-risk regions. Given our publicly stated commitments to global health, diversity and inclusion, and human rights, we do not believe this report would provide new meaningful information for the company or its shareholders.

Board Recommendation on Item 4

The Board recommends that you vote AGAINST this proposal.

Other Information

Meeting and Voting Logistics

Additional items of business

We do not expect any items of business other than those above because the deadline for shareholder proposals and nominations has passed. Nonetheless, if necessary, the accompanying proxy gives discretionary authority to the persons named on the proxy with respect to any other matters that might be brought before the meeting. Those persons intend to vote that proxy in accordance with their best judgment.

Voting

Shareholders as of the close of business on February 26, 2016 (the record date) may vote at the annual meeting. You have one vote for each share of common stock you held on the record date, including shares:

- held directly in your name as the shareholder of record
- · held for you in an account with a broker, bank, or other nominee
- attributed to your account in the 401(k) plan.

You may vote your shares in person at the meeting. However, we encourage you to vote by mail, by telephone, or on the Internet even if you plan to attend the meeting.

Required vote

Below are the vote requirements for the various proposals:

- The five nominees for director will be elected if the votes cast for the nominee exceed the votes cast against the nominee. Abstentions will not count as votes cast either for or against a nominee.
- The following items of business will be approved if the votes cast for the proposal exceed those cast against the proposal:
 - · advisory approval of executive compensation;
 - · ratification of the appointment of principal independent auditor; and
 - shareholder proposal seeking a report regarding how we select the countries in which we operate.

Abstentions will not be counted either for or against these proposals.

<u>Quorum</u>

A majority of the outstanding shares, present or represented by proxy, constitutes a quorum for the annual meeting. As of the record date, 1,104,492,346 shares of company common stock were issued and outstanding.

Voting by proxy

If you are a shareholder of record, you may vote your proxy by any one of the following methods:

- On the Internet. You may vote online at www.proxyvote.com. Follow the instructions on your proxy card or notice. If you received these materials electronically, follow the instructions in the e-mail message that notified you of their availability. Voting on the Internet has the same effect as voting by mail. If you vote on the Internet, do not return your proxy card.
- By telephone. Shareholders in the U.S., Puerto Rico, and Canada may vote by telephone by following the instructions on your proxy card or notice. If you received these materials electronically, follow the instructions in the e-mail message that notified you of their availability. Voting by telephone has the same effect as voting by mail. If you vote by telephone, do not return your proxy card.
- **By mail**. Sign and date each proxy card you receive and return it in the prepaid envelope. Sign your name exactly as it appears on the proxy. If you are signing in a representative capacity (for example, as an attorney-in-fact, executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, or the officer or agent of a corporation or partnership), please indicate your name and your title or capacity. If the stock is held in custody for a minor (for example, under the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act), the custodian should sign, not the minor. If the stock is held in joint ownership, one owner may sign on behalf of all owners. If you return your signed proxy but do not indicate your voting preferences, we will vote on your behalf with the Board's recommendations.

If you did not receive a proxy card in the materials you received from the company and you wish to vote by mail rather than by telephone or on the Internet, you may request a paper copy of these materials and a proxy card by calling 855-731-6026 (toll free) or 317-433-5112. If you received a notice or an e-mail message notifying you of the electronic availability of these materials, please provide the control number, along with your name and mailing address.

You have the right to revoke your proxy at any time before the meeting by (i) notifying the company's secretary in writing, or (ii) delivering a later-dated proxy via the Internet, by mail, or by telephone. If you are a shareholder of record, you may also revoke your proxy by voting in person at the meeting.

Voting shares held by a broker

If your shares are held by a broker, the broker will ask you how you want your shares to be voted. You may instruct your broker or other nominee to vote your shares by following instructions that the broker or nominee provides to you. Most brokers offer voting by mail, by telephone, and on the Internet.

If you give the broker instructions, your shares will be voted as you direct. If you do not give instructions, one of two things can happen, depending on the type of proposal. For the ratification of the auditor, the broker may vote your shares in its discretion. For all other proposals, the broker may not vote your shares at all.

Voting shares held in the 401(k) plan

You may instruct the plan trustee on how to vote your shares in the 401(k) plan via the Internet, by mail, or by telephone as described above, except that, if you vote by mail, the card that you use will be a voting instruction form rather than a proxy card.

In addition, unless you decline, your vote will apply to a proportionate number of other shares held by participants in the 401(k) plan for which voting directions are not received (except for a small number of shares from a prior stock ownership plan, which can be voted only on the directions of the participants to whose accounts the shares are credited).

All participants are named fiduciaries under the terms of the 401(k) plan and under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) for the limited purpose of voting shares credited to their accounts and the portion of undirected shares to which their vote applies. Under ERISA, fiduciaries are required to act prudently in making voting decisions.

If you do not want to have your vote applied to the undirected shares, you must so indicate when you vote. Otherwise, the trustee will automatically apply your voting preferences to the undirected shares proportionally with all other participants who elected to have their votes applied in this manner.

If you do not vote, your shares will be voted by other plan participants who have elected to have their voting preferences applied proportionally to all shares for which voting instructions are not otherwise received.

Proxy cards and notices

If you received more than one proxy card, notice, or e-mail related to proxy materials, you hold shares in more than one account. To ensure that all your shares are voted, sign and return each card. Alternatively, if you vote by telephone or on the Internet, you will need to vote once for each proxy card, notice, or e-mail you receive. If you do not receive a proxy card, you may have elected to receive your proxy statement electronically, in which case you should have received an e-mail with directions on how to access the proxy statement and how to vote your shares. If you wish to request a paper copy of these materials and a proxy card, please call 855-731-6026 (toll free) or 317-433-5112.

Vote tabulation

Votes are tabulated by an independent inspector of election, IVS Associates, Inc.

Attending the annual meeting

Attendance at the meeting will be limited to shareholders of record, those holding proxies from shareholders of record, and invited guests from the media and financial community. All shareholders of record as of the record date may attend by presenting the admission ticket that appears at the end of this proxy statement. Please fill it out and bring it with you to the meeting. The meeting will be held at the Lilly Center Auditorium. Please use the Lilly Center entrance to the south of the fountain at the intersection of Delaware and McCarty streets. You will need to pass through security, including a metal detector. Present your ticket to an usher at the meeting.

Parking will be available on a first-come, first-served basis in the garage indicated on the map at the end of this report. If you have questions about admittance or parking, you may call 855-731-6026 (toll free) or 317-433-5112 (prior to the annual meeting).

The 2017 annual meeting

The company's 2017 annual meeting is currently scheduled for May 1, 2017.

Other Matters

Householding

We have adopted a procedure approved by the SEC called "householding." Under the householding procedure, certain shareholders, whether they own registered shares or shares in street name, who have the same address will receive only one set of proxy materials, unless one or more of the shareholders at that address has previously notified us that they want to receive separate copies. Each 401(k) Plan participant will continue to receive a copy of all of the proxy materials. Regardless of how you own your shares, if you received a single set of proxy materials as a result of householding, and one or more shareholders at your address would like to have separate copies of these materials with respect the meeting or in the future, please contact Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. at 1-866-540-7095.

Other information regarding the company's proxy solicitation

We will pay all expenses in connection with our solicitation of proxies. We will pay brokers, nominees, fiduciaries, or other custodians their reasonable expenses for sending proxy material to and obtaining instructions from persons for whom they hold stock of the company. We expect to solicit proxies primarily by mail, and email, but directors, officers, and other employees of the company may also solicit in person or by telephone, fax, or email. We have retained Georgeson LLC to assist in the distribution and solicitation of proxies. Georgeson may solicit proxies by personal interview, telephone, fax, mail, and email. We expect that the fee for those services will not exceed \$17,500 plus reimbursement of customary out-of-pocket expenses.

Section 16(a) beneficial ownership reporting compliance

Under SEC rules, our directors and executive officers are required to file with the SEC reports of holdings and

changes in beneficial ownership of company stock. We have reviewed copies of reports provided to the company, as well as other records and information. Based on that review, we concluded that all reports were timely filed.

By order of the Board of Directors,

James B. Lootens Secretary

March 21, 2016

Appendix A - Summary of Adjustments Related to the Annual Bonus and Performance Award

Consistent with past practice, the Compensation Committee adjusted the reported financial results on which the 2015 annual bonus and the 2014-2015 Performance Awards were determined to eliminate the distorting effect of certain unusual items on incentive compensation performance measures. The adjustments are intended to:

- · align award payments with the underlying performance of the core business
- avoid volatile, artificial inflation or deflation of awards due to unusual items in the award year, and, where relevant, or the previous (comparator) year
- eliminate certain counterproductive short-term incentives—for example, incentives to refrain from acquiring new technologies, to defer disposing of underutilized assets, or to defer settling legacy legal proceedings to protect current bonus payments.
- · facilitate comparisons with peer companies.

To assure the integrity of the adjustments, the Compensation Committee establishes adjustment guidelines in the first 90 days of the performance period. These guidelines are generally consistent with the company guidelines for reporting non-GAAP financial measure to the investment community, which are reviewed by the Audit Committee. The adjustments apply equally to income and expense items. The Compensation Committee reviews all adjustments and retains downward discretion, i.e., discretion to reduce compensation below the amounts that are yielded by the adjustment guidelines.

Adjustments for 2015 Bonus Plan

For the 2015 bonus calculations, the Compensation Committee made the following adjustments to reported EPS consistent with our external reporting of non-GAAP financial measures:

- Eliminated the impact of the charges recognized for acquired in-process research and development related to collaborations and acquisitions.
- · Eliminated the impact of significant asset impairments, restructuring and other special charges
- Eliminated the impact of certain amortization of intangible assets.
- Eliminated the impact of the inventory step-up related to inventories assumed with the acquisition of Novartis Animal Health
- Eliminated the impact of the debt extinguishment loss related to the repurchase of \$1.65 billion of debt.

The Compensation Committee made two additional adjustments to reported EPS when calculating adjusted non-GAAP EPS under the bonus plan. When the Compensation Committee set 2015 bonus targets, the unprecedented impact of the strengthening of the U.S. dollar on revenue and EPS was not contemplated. The committee holds management accountable for absorbing a reasonable level of foreign currency fluctuation as part of normal business operations for a global company. However, the committee's adjustment guidelines permit the committee to adjust revenue and EPS results in extreme conditions such as those experienced in 2015. The committee reviewed the impact of foreign currency exchange on revenues and EPS over several years to establish a reasonable amount that management should be expected to absorb as part of normal business operations. Foreign currency impact outside this range was viewed as extraordinary. Accordingly, the committee adjusted the 2015 results to neutralize the extraordinary portion of the foreign currency exchange impact on revenue and EPS. Additionally, when the Compensation Committee set 2015 bonus targets, the transfer of the commercialization rights for Erbitux in North America to Lilly (which occurred in October 2015) was not contemplated. Accordingly, the committee adjusted the 2015 results to neutralize the expected the 2015 results to neutralize the expected revenue and EPS impact of the transfer of commercialization rights.

Reconciliations of these adjustments to our reported revenue are below.

(Dollars in millions)	2015
Revenue as reported	\$19,959
Transfer of Erbitux commercialization rights adjustment	\$(76)
Foreign currency adjustment	\$689
Adjusted Non-GAAP Revenue	\$20,572

Reconciliations of these adjustments to our reported EPS are below.

	2015
EPS as reported	\$2.26
Eliminate certain amortization of intangible assets	\$0.39
Eliminate debt extinguishment loss	\$0.09
Eliminate inventory step-up for Novartis Animal Health	\$0.10
Eliminate acquired in process research and development charges	\$0.33
Eliminate asset impairments, restructuring and other special charges	\$0.25
Non-GAAP EPS	\$3.43
Transfer of Erbitux commercialization rights adjustment	
Foreign currency adjustment	\$0.07
Adjusted Non-GAAP EPS	\$3.49
*Numbers may not add due to rounding	

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Adjustments for 2014-2015 PA

For the 2014-2015 PA payout calculations, the Compensation Committee made the following adjustments to reported EPS consistent with our reporting of non-GAAP financial measures:

- 2015: Eliminated the impact of certain amortization of intangible assets.
- 2015: Eliminated the impact of the debt extinguishment loss.
- 2015: Eliminated the impact of inventory step-up for Novartis Animal Health.
- 2015, 2014 and 2013: Eliminated the impact of the charges recognized for acquired in-process research and development.
- 2015, 2014 and 2013: Eliminated the impact of asset impairments, restructuring, and other special charges.
- 2014: Eliminated the impact of the charge for an extra year of the U.S. Branded Prescription Drug Fee.
- 2014: Eliminated the impact of gain related to transfer of our linagliptin and empagliflozin commercial rights in certain countries to Boehringer Ingelheim.
- 2013: Eliminated the impact of income received related to the termination of the exenatide collaboration with Amylin.

When the Compensation Committee set 2014-2015 PA targets, the acquisitions of Novartis Animal Health (which occurred in January 2015) and Lohmann Animal Health (which occurred in April 2014) were not contemplated. Accordingly, the committee adjusted the 2015 and 2014 results to neutralize the expected EPS impact of the acquisitions.

When the Compensation Committee set 2014-2015 PA targets, the exclusion of certain amortization for intangible assets from non-GAAP financial measures (which began in January 2015) was not contemplated. Accordingly, the committee adjusted the 2015 non-GAAP results to neutralize the EPS impact of this change.

When the Compensation Committee set 2014-2015 Performance Award targets, the transfer of the commercialization rights for Erbitux in North America to Lilly (which occurred in October 2015) was not contemplated. Accordingly, the committee adjusted the 2015 results to neutralize the expected EPS impact of the transfer of commercialization rights.

Reconciliations of these adjustments to our reported EPS are below.

	2015	2014	% Growth 2015 vs. 2014	2013	% Growth 2014 vs. 2013
EPS as reported	\$2.26	\$2.23	(3.0)%	\$4.32	(46.1)%
Eliminate certain amortization of intangible assets	\$0.39	_			
Eliminate debt extinguishment loss	\$0.09	_			
Eliminate inventory step-up for Novartis Animal Health	\$0.10	_			
Eliminate acquired in process research and development charges	\$0.33	\$0.12		\$0.03	
Eliminate asset impairments, restructuring and other special charges	\$0.25	\$0.38		\$0.08	
Eliminate additional U.S. Drug Fee	_	\$0.11		_	
Eliminate gain related to transfer of commercial rights to Boehringer Ingelheim	_	\$(0.06)		_	
Eliminate income from the termination of the exenatide collaboration with Amylin	_	_		\$(0.29)	
Non-GAAP EPS	\$3.43	\$2.78	23.4%	\$4.15	(33.0)%
Novartis Animal Health acquisition adjustment	\$0.13	—		_	
Lohmann Animal Health acquisition adjustment	\$0.06	\$0.05		_	
Certain amortization of intangible assets	\$(0.39)	_		_	
Transfer of Erbitux commercialization rights adjustment	\$(0.01)	_		_	
Adjusted Non-GAAP EPS	\$3.22	\$2.83	13.8%	\$4.15	(31.8)%
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Eli Lilly and Company 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders Monday, May 2, 2016 11:00 a.m. EDT

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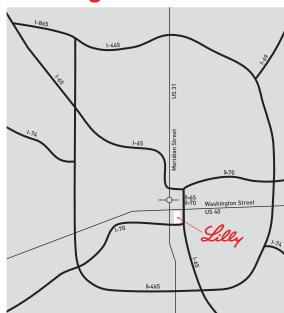
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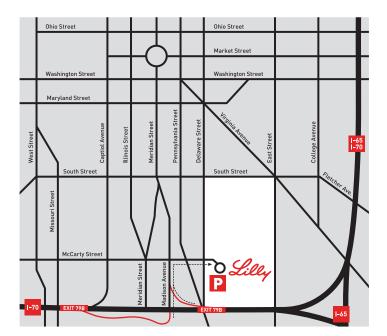


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Corporate Information

Annual meeting

The annual meeting of shareholders will be held at the Lilly Center Auditorium, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Monday, May 2, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. EDT. For more information, see the proxy statement section of this report.

10-K and 10-Q reports

Paper copies of the company's annual report to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q are available upon written request to:

Eli Lilly and Company c/o Corporate Secretary

Lilly Corporate Center

Indianapolis, Indiana 46285

To access these reports more quickly, you can find all of our SEC filings online at: http://investor.lilly.com/sec.cfm.

Stock listings

Eli Lilly and Company common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, NYSE Euronext, and SIX Swiss Exchange. NYSE ticker symbol: LLY. Most newspapers list the stock as "Lilly (Eli) and Co."

CEO and CFO certifications

The company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer have provided all certifications required under Securities and Exchange Commission regulations with respect to the financial information and disclosures in this report. The certifications are available as exhibits to the company's Form 10-K and 10-Q reports.

In addition, the company's chief executive officer has filed with the New York Stock Exchange a certification to the effect that, to the best of his knowledge, the company is in compliance with all corporate governance listing standards of the Exchange.

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For information on Lilly's commitment to transparency and links to the Lilly Clinical Trial Registry, Lilly Grant Registry, and Lilly political contributions, see **www.lilly.com/about/business-practices/Pages/transparency.aspx**

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Pipeline of Molecules in Clinical Development

Including Select New Indications and Line Extensions (NILEX)



PHASE II

Baricitinib diabetic nephropathy	Baricitinib psoriasis	Abemaciclib squamous NSCLC	Florbenazine Parkinson's Disease Imaging	BACE - AZD3293* Alzheimer's disease	Chk1 inhibitor cancer
Edivoxetine CNS disorder	Galunisertib cancer	PI3 kinase/mTOR dual inhibitor mesothelioma	Ralimetinib cancer	P70S6/AKT dual inhibitor cancer	FGF receptor inhibitor cancer
Merestinib cancer	IL-23 MAb ulcerative colitis	BMP-6 MAb anemia	Myostatin MAb disuse atrophy	Ultra-Rapid Insulin diabetes	Ferroportin MAb anemia
Oxyntomodulin peptide diabetes	Emibetuzumab cancer	PCSK9 MAb cardiovascular disease	CXCR4 peptide inhibitor cancer		

PHASE I

D1 potentiator dementia	Pan-Raf inhibitor cancer	BACE inhibitor Alzheimer's disease	diabetes	NOTCH inhibitor cancer	BTK inhibitor immunology
Pomaglumetad methionil schizophrenia	Aß MAb Fab PEG Alzheimer's disease	VEGFR1 MAb diabetic nephropathy	N3pG-Aß MAb Alzheimer's disease	Angio 2 MAb cancer	IL-21 MAb immunology
Blosozumab osteoporosis	FGFR3-ADC cancer	CXCR1/2L MAb immunology	hypoglycemia	MET/EGFR bispecific antibody cancer	BAFF/IL-17 bispecific antibody immunology
diabetes	CSF1R MAb cancer				

Information is current as of February 14, 2016. The search for new medicines is risky and uncertain, and there are no guarantees. Remaining scientific, regulatory, or commercial hurdles may cause pipeline compounds to be delayed or to fail to reach the market.

Diagnostic *Commercial collaboration The Lilly pipeline currently includes 48 new molecules in clinical development including nine molecules in Phase III or regulatory review, 19 in Phase II and 20 in Phase I. Since our last annual report: eight molecules advanced into Phase I testing, five advanced into Phase II testing, and four molecules entered Phase III. These four are: olaratumab, our antibody that blocks PDGF receptor- α being studied for the treatment of advanced sarcoma; our CGRP antibody being studied for cluster headache and migraine; the diagnostic Tau imaging agent; and nasal glucagon licensed from Locemia Solutions. Two molecules were submitted for regulatory approval: ixekizumab for psoriasis and baricitinib for rheumatoid arthritis. And one new molecule, Portrazza (necitumumab), was approved for marketing. We terminated development of 19 molecules, including two in Phase III-basal insulin peglispro and evacetrapib. In addition, we are selectively highlighting 17 molecules being studied for new indications or line extensions (NILEX) that have advanced to Phase II testing or later.

Additional information and updates are available on the Lilly Interactive Pipeline at www.lilly.com.

In 2015, Elanco delivered 60 country-level approvals for 44 new products or projects. Three important approvals in 2015 include Imrestor, for mastitis in dairy cattle; Interceptor Plus, a chewable treatment for heartworm in dogs; and Osurnia, a novel, more convenient formulation to treat otitis externa in dogs. As of December 2015, the Elanco development pipeline includes 39 molecules or unique formulations, including 10 in the final phase of development, and 45 molecule expansion or line extension projects, 24 of which are in the final phase of development.



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