Eco Animal Health Group plc

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USDA approval for ECOVAXXIN®MS field safety

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Eco Animal Health announces that the US Department of Agriculture, Centre for Veterinary Biologics (USDA-CVB) has confirmed that Eco Animal Health's US field safety trial data for its proprietary poultry vaccine, ECOVAXXIN®MS, fulfils the requirement to enable licensing of the product. This represents a major regulatory milestone in the path towards commercial deployment. The Group expects to receive US marketing approval by the end of CY26.

The US trial involved over 170,000 commercial laying pullets across three sites in Michigan, Indiana and Wisconsin. ECOVAXXIN® MS provides active immunisation in future layer and breeder chickens from four weeks old, helping to reduce the air-sac and foot-pad lesions caused by *Mycoplasma synoviae* infections, which can cause up to 10% loss in egg-laying productivity. As EAH notes, ECOVAXXIN® MS is the first of a series of new products under development progressing towards commercial deployment and has an estimated (13 March 2025 Group R&D Day) peak year revenue of £22.2m and (adj.) EBITDA contribution of £16.9m (76.2% margin).

Other ECOVAXXIN® MS regulatory and commercialisation milestones include:

- November 2025, MS EU marketing authorisation (ED report November 2025 'ECOVAXXIN®MS EU authorisation paves way for commercial launch').
- December 2025, USDA acceptance of pivotal efficacy data (ED report December 2025 'HY26: momentum accelerates').
- December 2025, marketing approval in the EU (ED report December 2025 'Early EU authorisation for ECOVAXXIN®MS').
- February 2026, announcement of the plan for commercialisation (ED report February 2026 'ECOVAXXIN® MS commercialisation begins').
- July 2026, official launch in Madrid (February ED report 'ECOVAXXIN® MS commercialisation begins').
- At FY26 results, data confirming that ECOVAXXIN® MS provides a 44-week duration of immunity against *Mycoplasma synoviae*.

Today's announcement represents an important step towards ECOVAXXIN® MS commercialisation and follows strong Group performance in FY26 (July 15 ED report 'FY26 results ahead of expectations'). **Our Fair Value remains 180p/share.**

Key financials and valuation metrics

Yr to 31 March (£m)	2024A	2025A	2026A	2027E	2028E
Revenue	89.4	79.6	87.5	91.2	95.8
EBITDA (adj.)	8.0	7.3	8.5	8.5	9.4
Pre-Tax Profit (adj.)	4.0	3.5	5.8	5.2	6.4
EPS (rptd. basic)	1.5	2.5	3.3	3.1	5.2
EPS (adj. dil. p)	2.3	1.9	3.4	3.3	5.5
Net cash / (debt)	22.4	25.0	25.4	25.0	24.8
EV/EBITDA	4.8x	5.3x	4.5x	4.5x	4.1x
EV/Rev	0.4x	0.5x	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x
P/E	40.7x	49.3x	27.5x	29.0x	17.2x

Source: Company data, Equity Development estimates.

Company data

EPIC	EAH.L
Price (last close)	95p
52 weeks Hi/Lo	117p/77p
Market cap	£70m
ED Fair Value / share	180p
Net cash / (debt) 2026A	£25.4m
Avg. daily volume (3m)	152,588

Share price, p

Source: Investing.com

Description

Founded in 1995, ECO Animal Health specialises in the development, registration and distribution of pharmaceutical products for animal health markets worldwide, notably bacterial infection and parasitic prevention for pigs, cattle, sheep and poultry.

The Group addresses markets in China and the Far East, SE Asia, North America, Latin America and Europe, and derives c.90% of revenue from its enteric and respiratory antibiotic Aivlosin®, for the treatment of diseases in pigs and poultry.

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Year to 31 March (£m)	H1 25A	H2 25A	H1 26A	H2 26A	FY24A	FY25A	FY26A	FY27E	FY28E
Revenue	**33.2**	**46.4**	**39.4**	**48.1**	**89.4**	**79.6**	**87.5**	**91.2**	**95.8**
Gross	**13.4**	**22.6**	**19.6**	**22.9**	**37.7**	**35.9**	**42.5**	**42.4**	**44.5**
	40.3%	*48.6%*	*49.6%*	*47.7%*	*42.1%*	*45.1%*	*48.6%*	*46.5%*	*46.5%*
COGS	(19.8)	(23.9)	(19.8)	(25.2)	(51.7)	(43.7)	(45.0)	(48.8)	(51.2)
Other income	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
R&D	(2.4)	(1.6)	(2.7)	(2.6)	(4.2)	(4.0)	(5.3)	(5.1)	(5.1)
Admin	(13.4)	(15.3)	(15.8)	(15.9)	(29.4)	(28.7)	(31.7)	(31.5)	(32.6)
Impairment/Other	1.0	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	(0.7)	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sum Op-ex	(14.5)	(17.1)	(18.4)	(18.4)	(34.1)	(31.6)	(36.8)	(37.0)	(38.1)
Sh-based payments	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.4)
Forex	1.2	(0.4)	0.2	(0.3)	0.6	0.7	(0.2)	0.0	0.0
EBIT (rptd.)	(1.2)	5.5	1.2	4.6	3.5	4.3	5.7	5.5	6.4
EBIT (adj.)	**(2.0)**	**5.8**	**1.4**	**4.6**	**4.6**	**3.7**	**6.0**	**5.8**	**6.8**
Margin	*N.M.*	*12.5%*	*3.6%*	*9.6%*	*5.1%*	*4.7%*	*6.9%*	*6.4%*	*7.1%*
Amortisation	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(1.2)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(1.3)
Depreciation RoU	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.7)	(0.6)
Depreciation	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.4)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(1.1)
EBITDA (rptd.)	1.3	6.5	2.7	5.5	6.9	7.9	8.2	8.5	9.4
EBITDA (adj)	**0.4**	**6.9**	**3.0**	**5.6**	**8.0**	**7.3**	**8.5**	**8.5**	**9.4**
Margin	*1.3%*	*14.8%*	*7.5%*	*11.6%*	*9.0%*	*9.2%*	*9.8%*	*9.4%*	*9.8%*
Financial income	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Financial expense	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.8)	(0.5)	(0.4)	(0.8)	(0.6)
Associate	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.0)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
PBT (rptd.)	(1.4)	5.4	1.1	4.4	3.0	4.0	5.4	4.8	6.0
PBT (adj.)	**(2.3)**	**5.7**	**1.3**	**4.4**	**4.0**	**3.5**	**5.8**	**5.2**	**6.4**
Tax	(0.3)	(1.0)	(0.3)	(1.4)	(1.0)	(1.4)	(1.8)	(1.3)	(1.5)
PAT (rptd.)	(1.8)	4.4	0.7	2.9	2.0	2.6	3.7	3.5	4.5
PAT (adj.)	(2.6)	4.7	1.0	3.0	3.1	2.1	4.0	3.9	4.9
Basic wtd. Av. shares (m)					67.7	67.6	67.2	67.2	67.2
Diluted wtd. av. shares (m)					69.1	69.4	69.5	69.5	69.5
EPS rptd. basic (p)					1.55	2.49	3.26	3.06	5.23
EPS rptd. dil. (p)					1.52	2.43	3.15	2.96	5.06
EPS adj. basic (p)					2.37	1.97	3.55	3.37	5.70
EPS adj. dil. (p)					**2.32**	**1.92**	**3.44**	**3.25**	**5.51**

Source: Company data. Equity Development estimates.

Cashflow

Year to 31 March (£m)	H1 25A	H2 25A	H1 26A	H2 26A	FY24A	FY25A	FY26A	FY27E	FY28E
PBT (rptd.)	(1.4)	5.4	1.1	4.4	3.0	4.0	5.4	4.8	6.0
Finance (net)	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.5
Forex	1.2	(0.4)	0.2	(0.3)	0.6	0.7	(0.2)	0.0	0.0
Amortisation	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.3
Depreciation RoU	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6
Depreciation	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1
Impairment/Other	0.0	(1.0)	0.0	0.0	0.1	(1.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Associate	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	0.0	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.0)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Sh-based payments	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4
Other	(0.7)	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Cash Flow	**0.8**	**6.5**	**3.0**	**5.6**	**7.7**	**7.3**	**8.5**	**8.9**	**9.8**
(Inc)/Dec inventories	(0.2)	2.2	(1.4)	2.7	4.7	2.1	1.2	(2.7)	(0.0)
(Inc)/Dec receivables	5.3	(1.1)	5.1	0.9	(5.0)	4.2	6.0	(2.3)	(0.8)
Inc/(Dec) payables	(5.6)	4.2	(6.7)	1.2	2.5	(1.3)	(5.5)	5.8	0.1
Provisions	(0.3)	0.2	0.3	(0.4)	0.6	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Ch working capital	(0.8)	5.6	(2.8)	4.4	2.8	4.9	1.6	0.6	(0.8)
Cash from operations	**(0.0)**	**12.2**	**0.2**	**9.9**	**10.5**	**12.2**	**10.1**	**9.5**	**9.0**
Interest paid	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.1	(0.5)	(0.2)	(0.0)	0.0	0.0
Tax (paid)/received	0.6	(2.1)	(1.1)	(1.3)	(0.6)	(1.5)	(2.5)	(1.2)	(1.3)
Net from operations	0.5	10.0	(1.1)	8.7	9.4	10.5	7.7	8.3	7.7
PPE	(0.1)	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.5)	(0.4)	(0.2)	(0.5)	(0.6)
Sale of PPE/operations	0.4	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capitalised R&D	(1.8)	(2.9)	(1.9)	(1.7)	(4.1)	(4.6)	(3.6)	(4.0)	(4.0)
Finance	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Net used in investing	(1.4)	(3.2)	(1.9)	(1.8)	(3.4)	(4.6)	(3.7)	(4.4)	(4.5)
Net OpFCF	**(0.9)**	**6.8**	**(3.0)**	**0.0**	**6.0**	**5.9**	**4.0**	**3.9**	**3.3**
Shares issued	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.8)	0.0	0.0	(0.8)	0.0	0.0
Interest on leases	(0.2)	(0.0)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.1)
Leases	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.4)
Dividends	(1.1)	0.0	(2.5)	0.0	(2.8)	(1.1)	(2.5)	(3.0)	(3.0)
Net cash from financing	(1.6)	(0.4)	(2.9)	(1.3)	(3.7)	(2.0)	(4.2)	(4.3)	(3.5)
Net increase in cash	**(2.5)**	**6.4**	**(5.9)**	**5.7**	**2.3**	**3.9**	**(0.2)**	**(0.4)**	**(0.3)**
Cash start	22.4	18.3	25.0	18.6	21.7	22.4	25.0	25.4	25.0
Forex	(1.6)	0.3	(0.4)	1.1	(1.6)	(1.3)	0.7	0.0	0.0
Cash end	**18.3**	**25.1**	**18.6**	**25.4**	**22.4**	**25.0**	**25.4**	**25.0**	**24.8**

Source: Company data. Equity Development estimates.

Balance sheet

Year to 31 March (£m)	H1 25A	H2 25A	H1 26A	H2 26A	FY24A	FY25A	FY26A	FY27E	FY28E
Intangibles Net	39.6	41.8	43.2	44.3	38.4	41.8	44.3	47.0	49.7
PPE net	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.4	4.8	4.0	3.4	2.8	2.3
RoU Assets Net	3.3	3.4	4.7	4.5	3.7	3.4	4.5	8.2	11.1
Property Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investments	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Deferred Tax	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.5
Sum Fixed Assets	**48.8**	**50.7**	**52.9**	**54.1**	**48.5**	**50.7**	**54.1**	**59.8**	**64.9**
Inventories	16.7	14.6	16.0	13.5	17.0	14.6	13.5	16.2	16.3
Trade receivables	26.8	28.5	24.0	24.0	32.2	28.5	24.0	26.2	27.0
Tax assets, other	1.2	1.9	2.5	2.5	3.2	1.9	1.6	0.0	0.0
Cash, Equivalents	18.3	25.0	18.6	25.4	22.4	25.0	25.4	25.0	24.8
Sum Current Assets	**63.0**	**69.9**	**61.1**	**65.4**	**74.7**	**69.9**	**64.5**	**67.5**	**68.0**
Total Assets	111.7	120.6	114.0	119.5	123.3	120.6	118.6	127.3	132.9
Trade payables	(10.8)	(15.1)	(9.8)	(11.9)	(17.4)	(15.1)	(11.9)	(17.7)	(17.8)
Provisions	(5.1)	(5.0)	(5.5)	(5.4)	(5.9)	(5.0)	(5.4)	(5.4)	(5.4)
Tax, Other	(0.9)	(1.7)	(1.1)	(1.5)	(2.0)	(1.7)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.5)
Dividends	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.5)	(0.5)
Sum Current Liabilities	**(16.9)**	**(21.8)**	**(16.4)**	**(18.9)**	**(25.2)**	**(21.8)**	**(18.9)**	**(25.1)**	**(25.2)**
Total Assets less CL	94.9	98.8	97.6	100.6	98.0	98.8	99.7	102.2	107.7
Deferred tax	(1.3)	(0.9)	(0.9)	(0.0)	(1.3)	(0.9)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)
Leases	(3.1)	(3.2)	(4.3)	(4.2)	(3.4)	(3.2)	(4.2)	(3.4)	(3.4)
Sum Long-term liabilities	**(4.4)**	**(4.0)**	**(5.2)**	**(4.2)**	**(4.7)**	**(4.0)**	**(4.2)**	**(3.4)**	**(3.4)**
Total liabilities	(21.2)	(25.8)	(21.6)	(23.1)	(29.9)	(25.8)	(23.1)	(28.5)	(28.6)
Net Assets	90.5	94.8	92.4	96.4	93.4	94.8	95.5	98.8	104.3
Share Capital	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Share Premium	63.3	63.3	63.3	63.3	63.3	63.3	63.3	63.1	64.1
Reserves	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.2	1.6	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.2
Retained earnings	14.3	17.9	17.8	20.2	15.8	17.9	20.2	23.7	28.3
Non-controlling interests	8.3	9.3	7.6	8.4	9.7	9.3	8.4	8.4	8.4
Equity	**90.5**	**94.8**	**92.4**	**96.4**	**93.4**	**94.8**	**95.5**	**98.8**	**104.3**
Net cash / (debt) pre IFRS16	18.3	25.0	18.6	25.4	22.4	25.0	25.4	25.0	24.8
Net cash / (debt) IFRS16	15.2	21.8	14.3	21.3	19.0	21.8	21.3	21.6	21.4

Source: Company data. Equity Development estimates.

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