



Healius

Why Change is Essential

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Tanarra has supported Healius in its turnaround efforts. They have now lost our support. Here's why

Business is being run extremely poorly

Management decisions seem to lack understanding of the industry

Poor capital allocation

Lack of culture of performance and accountability

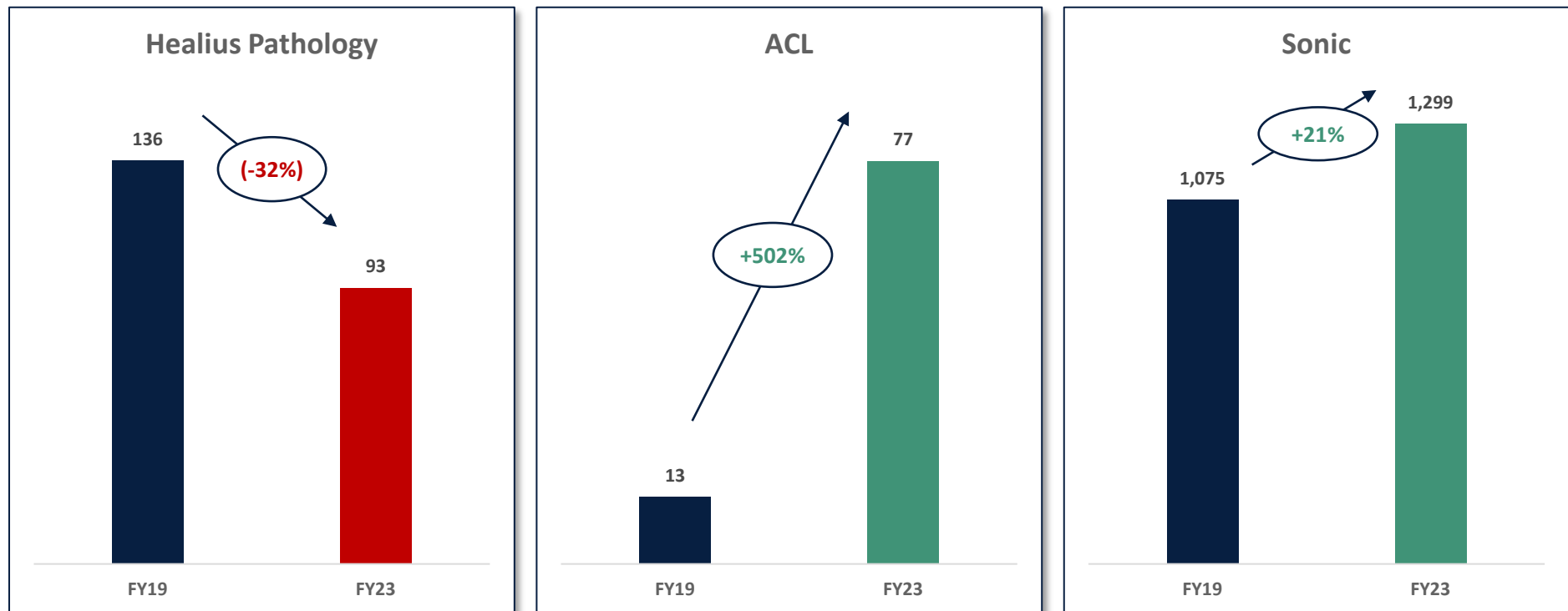
Immaterial skin in the game from management or board

Predictable end consequences for shareholder value

The facts don't lie: performance has been extremely poor, even allowing for GP shortage

LOWER PATHOLOGY BUSINESS EARNINGS THAN FY19, WHILE THE INDUSTRY HAS GROWN

Pre-AASB16 EBITDA (A\$m)

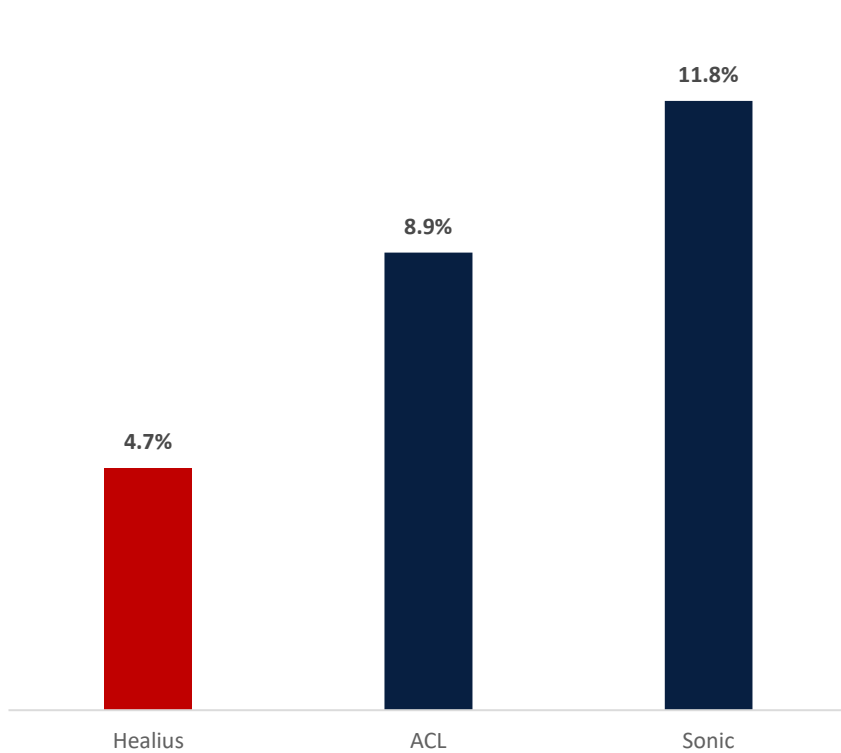


Note: Sonic represents total group

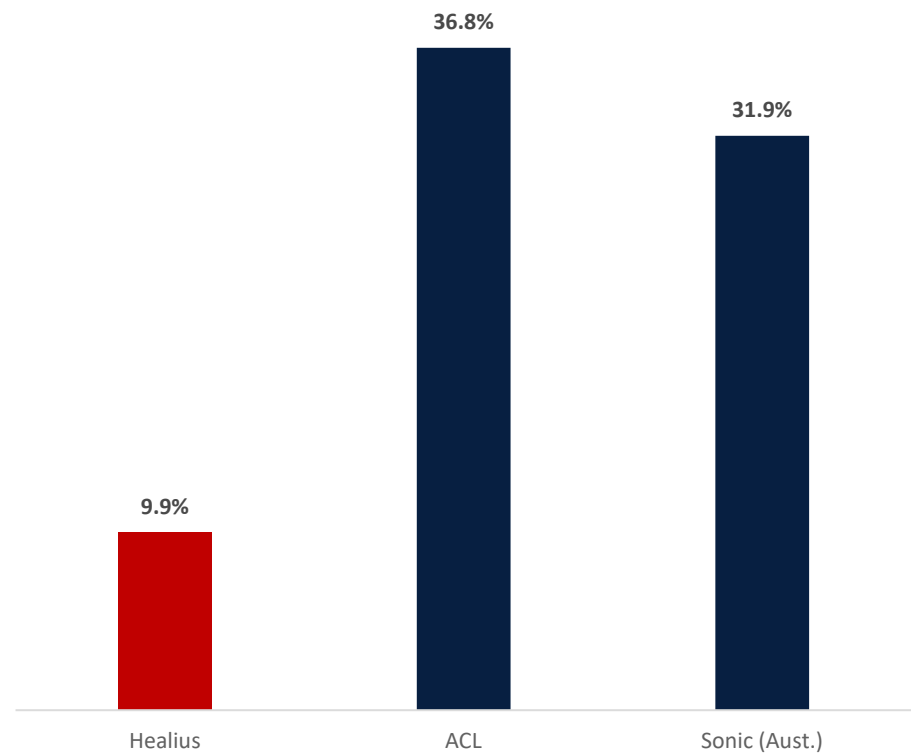
Source: Company reports and Tanarra estimates

Healius' pathology margins are a fraction of competitors' and it's growing more slowly

FY23 EBIT Margins (%)

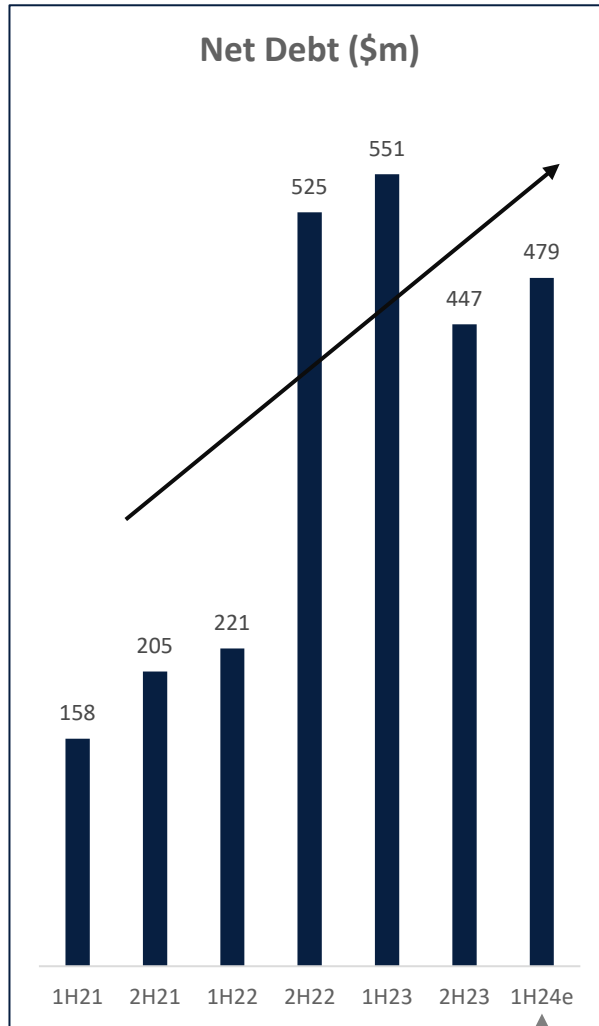
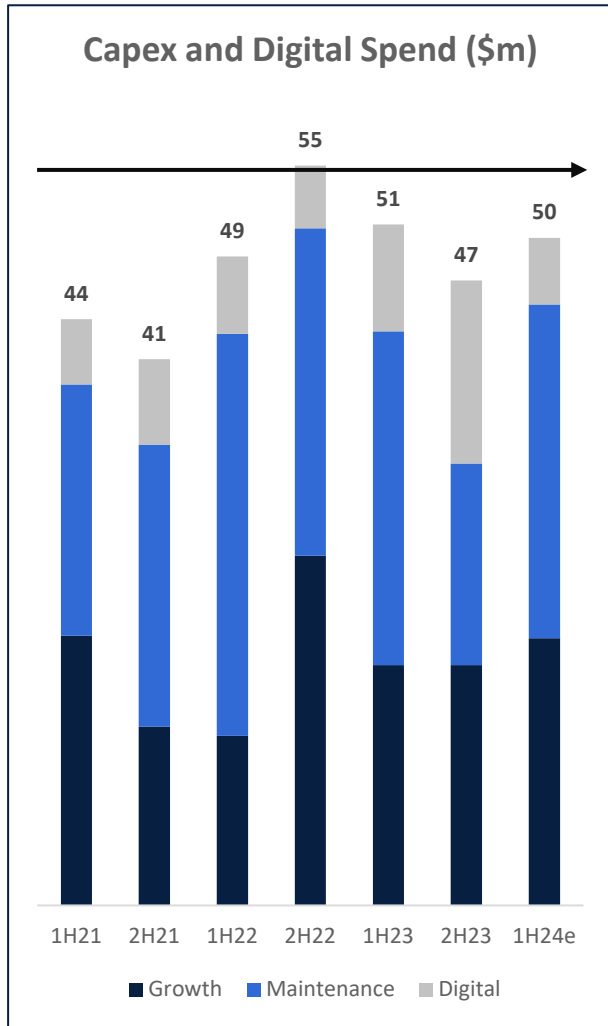


FY19-FY23 Revenue Growth (%)

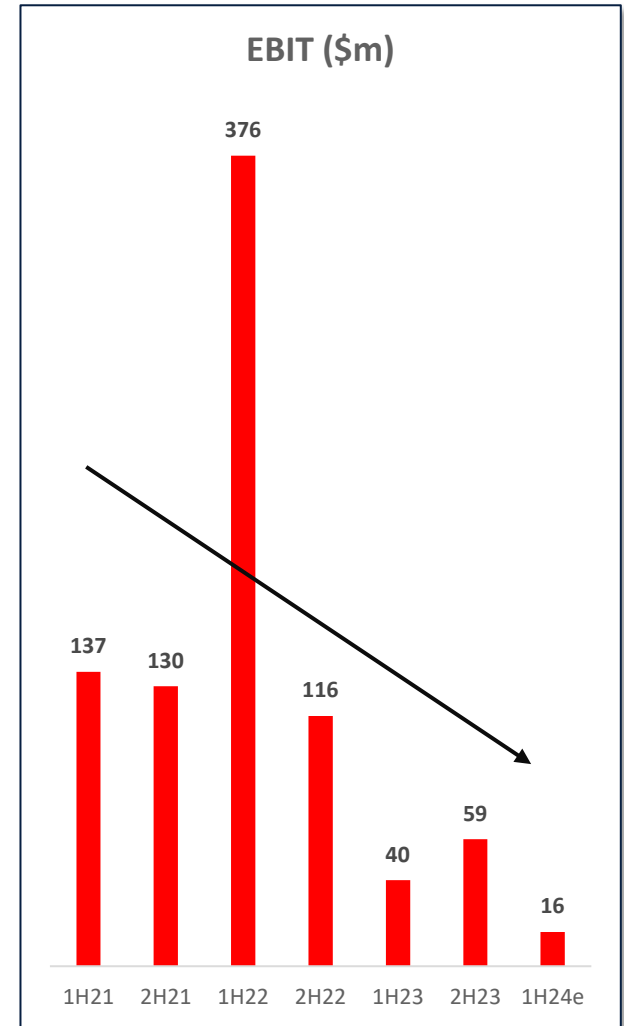


Note: Figures represent pre-AASB16 EBIT margins for Healius' pathology division, ACL Group and Sonic Group as per accounts

Company showing little capital discipline: capex up, debt up, while EBIT down



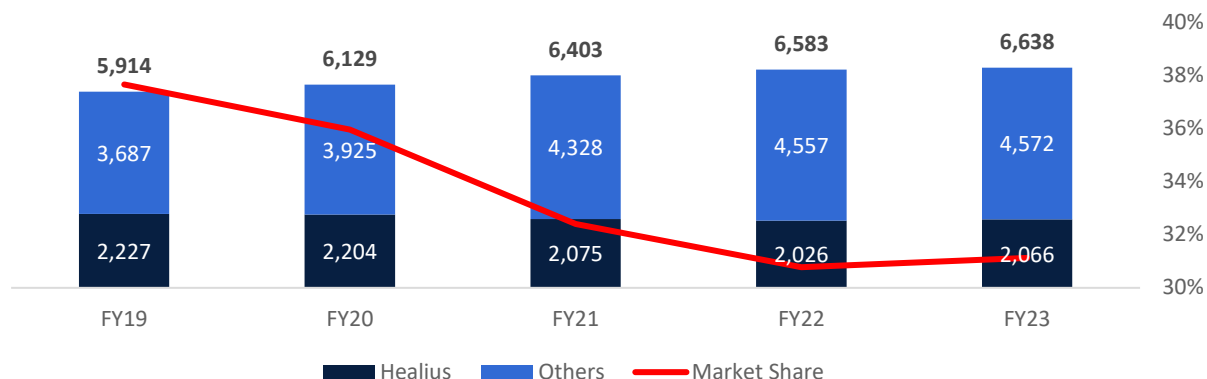
Excluding raise proceeds



Source: Financial accounts and Tanarra estimates

Management has shrunk collection centre footprint, adversely impacting network and scale

National Collection Centres



- ✘ Shrunk the ACC network without seeming to contemplate the consequence of that (lost market share, adverse network effects)
- ✘ Allowed an emerging competitor to scale into the market
- ✘ Led to growth below industry and inflation

	FY19	FY23	Growth
Industry ACCs	5,914	6,638	12.2%
Pathology MBS Outlays	\$2,682m	\$2,967m	10.6%
Healius ACCs	2,227	2,066	(7.2%)
Healius Core Pathology Revenue	\$1,128m	\$1,156m	2.4%

Revenue growth well below inflation

Source: Medicare data, financial reports

Own goal on \$300M AgileX purchase has led directly to this distressed equity issue

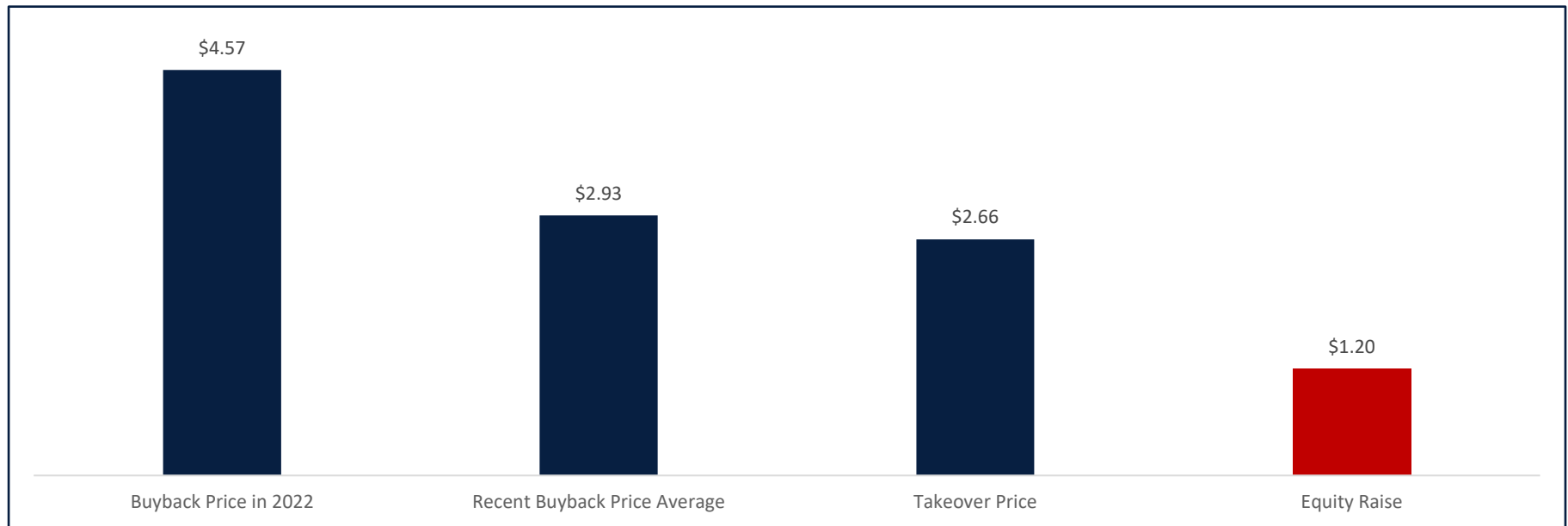
- Has been a key contributor to the company’s excessive debt levels, relative to covenants
- We believe Healius paid multiples of the price offered by the under bidder for AgileX
- The management and board did not understand the business properly, CEO was CFO at the time and directly responsible for it
- Was bought on projected year 1 EBITDA of \$15m, produced nothing like that, key entrepreneur left

What was said...	...the outcome
<i>“Highly Strategic”</i>	▶ Non-core, not strategic, no material synergies
<i>“[CY22] EBITDA is within a range of ... \$14-16m”</i>	▶ CY22 EBITDA of ~\$2m (87% lower than estimates)
<i>“Low single digit EPS accretion within the first full year”</i>	▶ Highly dilutive, and compounded by November 2023 equity issue
<i>“Experienced Agilex senior management team will remain”</i>	▶ Key management left

**Healius paid ~150x EBITDA for a business they did not understand
c. 50% write down within 18 months**

Interaction with capital markets the opposite of what it should be

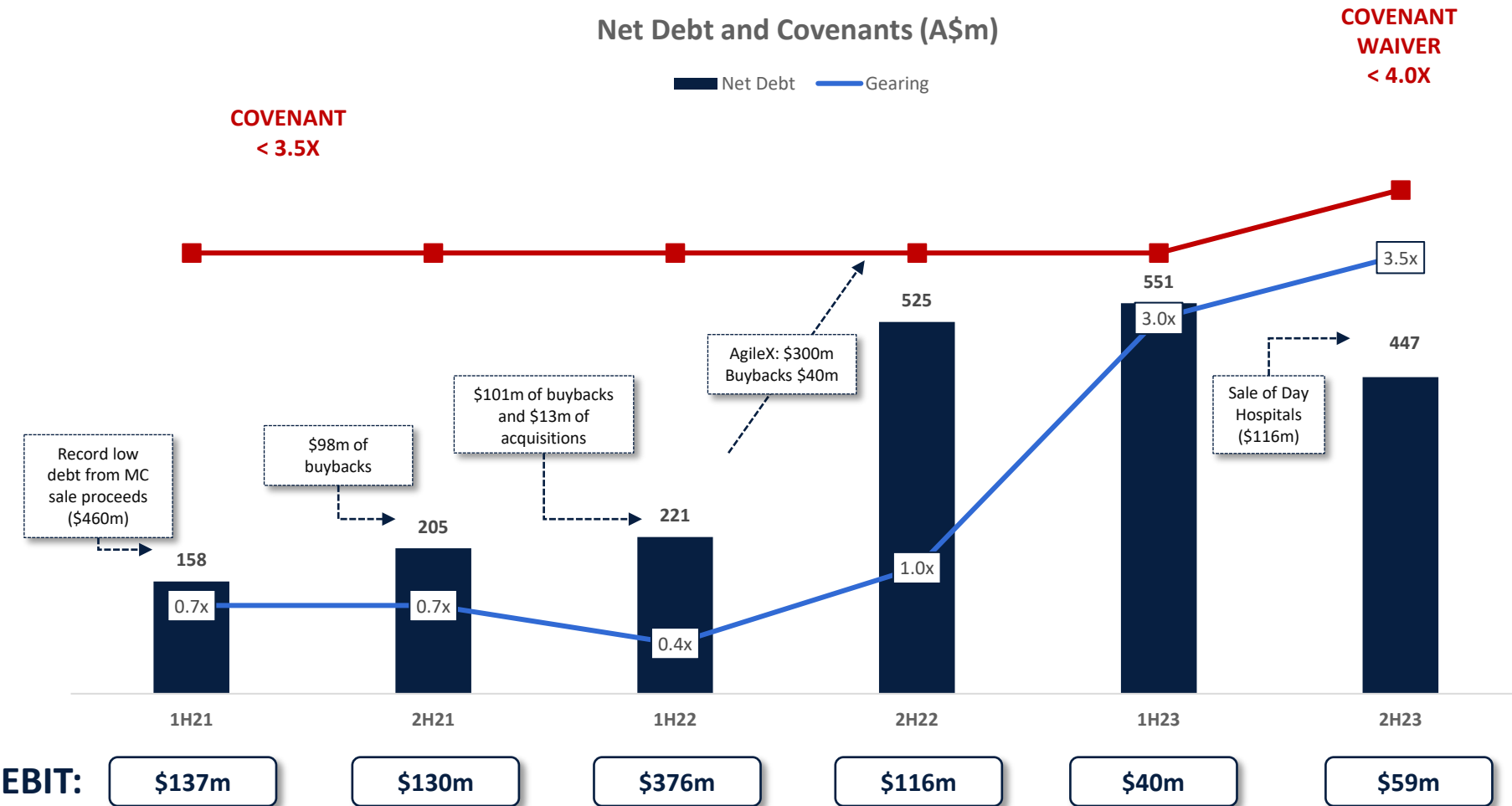
- Stock buyback at \$2.90 one year ago – now issuing equity at \$1.20
- Rejected a takeover offer at \$2.66 a share, then within months do a coercive non-renounceable equity issue at \$1.20



Source: Company announcements

Current debt issues have been self-inflicted

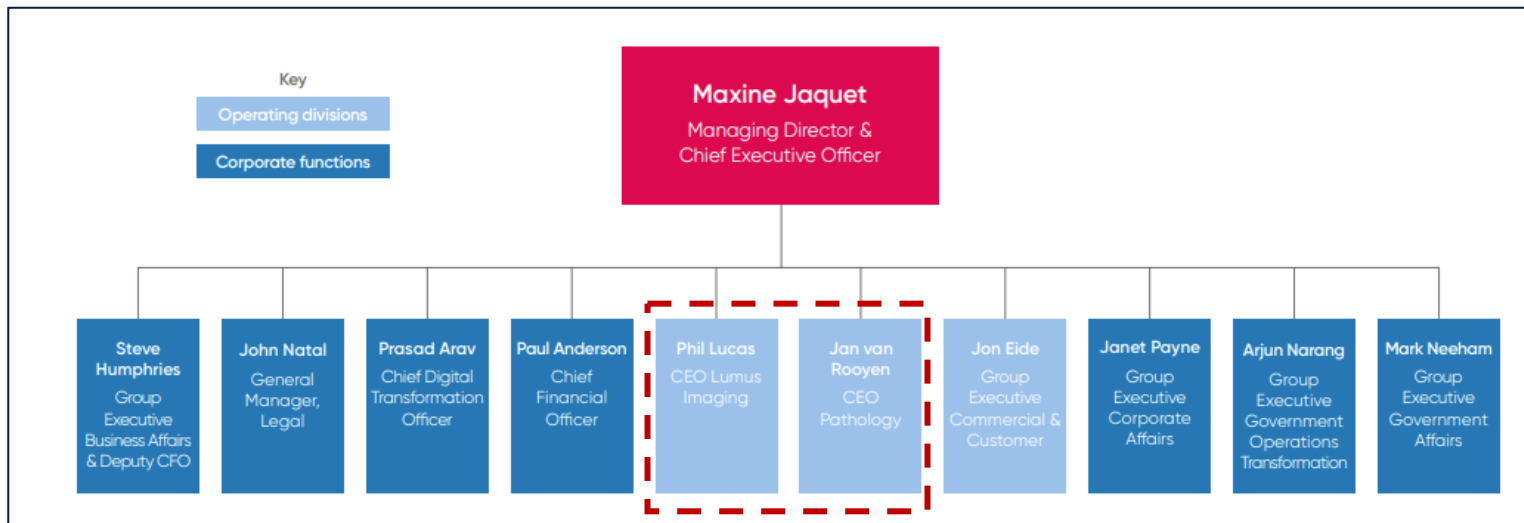
Net Debt and Covenants (A\$m)



Source: Company announcements

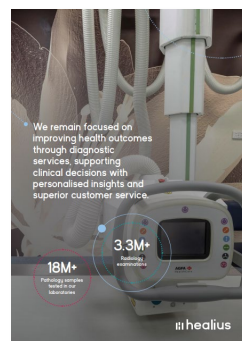
**COVENANT CHALLENGES COULD HAVE BEEN SOLVED WITHOUT RAISING EQUITY WITH BETTER AND LESS PANICKED MANAGEMENT.
 PROFORMA DEBT/EBITDA IF COMPANY MEETS ITS OWN GUIDANCE JUNE 24: 3.5x
 AT ESTIMATED 50% RECOVERY IN PATHOLOGY FROM F24 GROUP GUIDANCE TO F19 LEVEL: PROFORMA 2.8x**

The CEO runs a management structure with way too much indirect overhead

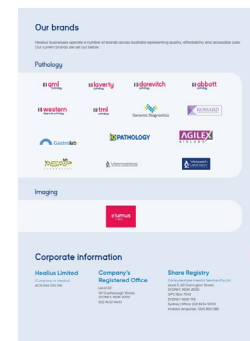


ONLY TWO OUT OF TEN DIRECT REPORTS WITH P&L RESPONSIBILITY

- 65 page Sustainability Report issued last week while earnings are about to be materially downgraded
- c. >80 person HR department
- Divisional finance departments, despite operating only two divisions



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Source: Extract from FY23 Corporate Governance statement

SPEAKS TO A LACK OF P&L ACCOUNTABILITY AND FOCUS IN THE COMPANY CULTURE

What does it take at Healius for an advisor to be fired?

- Gresham were sole financial advisor to Healius on the disastrous AgileX purchase (fee undisclosed)
- Then re-hired by the CEO as sole advisor on ACL takeover offer, paid \$4m for that (to date)
- Gresham retained again to advise on the heavily dilutive equity raise to reduce gearing from AgileX purchase (fee undisclosed)
- Gresham own no shares in the company* and have suffered no loss from the share price rout

* Based on public information

Board and CEO together have less than \$1m* of stock in the company – and half of that is free stock issued to CEO under LTI plans

MOST OF THE DIRECTORS OWN LESS THAN ONE YEAR’S FEES IN SHARES

Non-executive Directors	Shares	Rights	Value (\$)	Fees (\$)	Multiple
Jenny Macdonald	130,000	12,048	170,458	286,631	0.59x
Gordon Davis	55,759	40,214	115,168	181,721	0.63x
Sally Evans	15,000	34,882	59,858	176,250	0.34x
Kate McKenzie	35,000	2,008	44,410	170,704	0.26x
John Mattick	27,542	15,093	51,162	157,739	0.32x
Charlie Taylor	-	-	nm	nm	
Michael Stanford	-	-	nm	nm	

Note: Value based on raise price of \$1.20

CEO

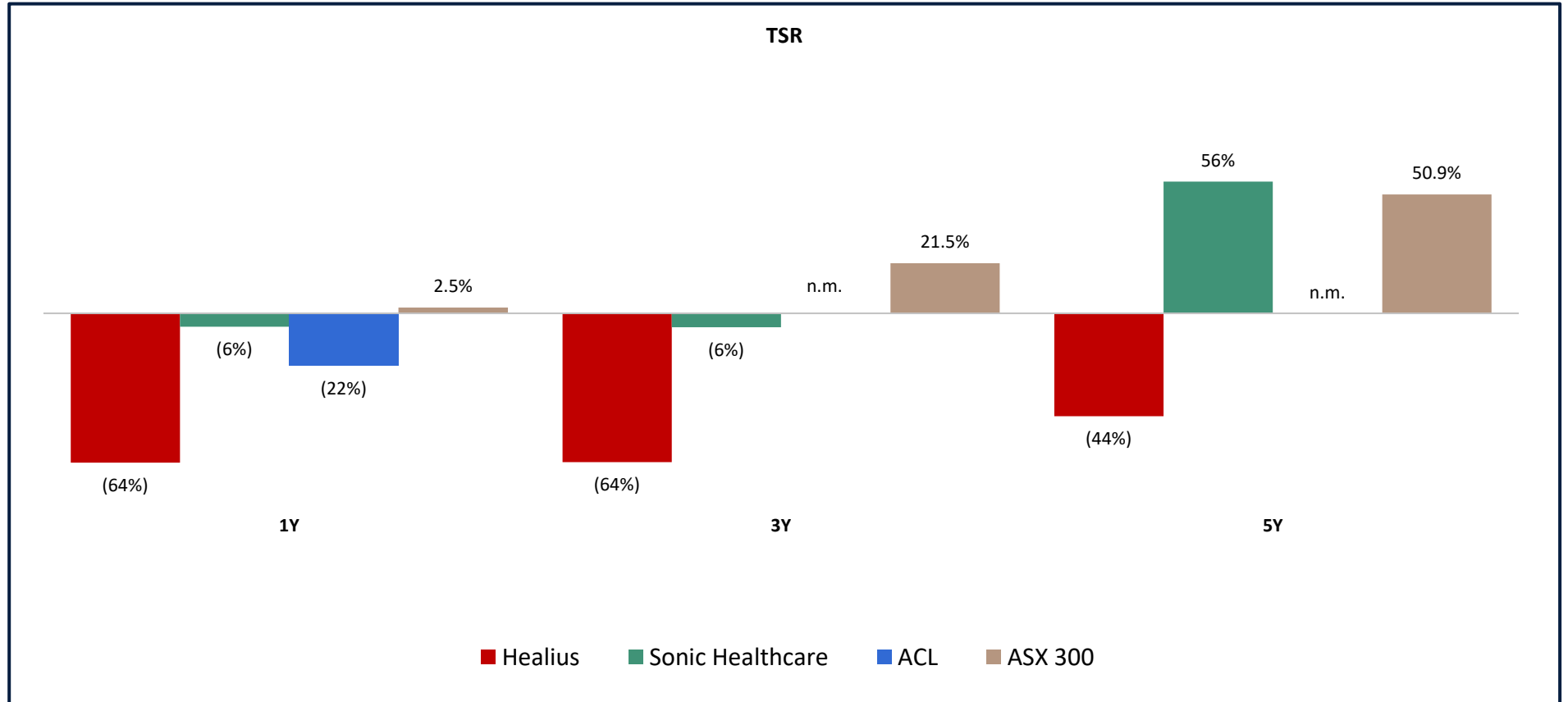
- Awarded 620,641 shares under LTI plans
- **Never purchased a share****
- Sold 252,624 shares in FY22

In total the non-Executive Directors will be only investing ~\$120,000 to follow their money in the \$187m capital raise

* At \$1.20 issue price

** Based on public information

Share price returns speak for themselves



Note: TSR as per Refintiv at 21 November 2021, adjusted for Healius capital raise price of \$1.20

For these reasons, we are voting as follows at the upcoming AGM:

		Reason
Re-elect Chair Jenny Macdonald	NO	Chair
Elect Charlie Taylor	NO	Member of Board Capital Raise Sub-Committee
Elect Ravi Jeyaraj	YES	Tanarra nominee, PE background
Elect Michael Stanford	YES	New director, pathology experience
Approve remuneration report	NO	Reflect performance
Approve grant of LTIP performance rights to CEO	NO	Has not purchased shares
Approve issue of shares under NED share plan	YES	In lieu of cash payments
Approve non-executive Director fee cap increase	YES	Attract quality talent to the board, but we expect NEDs to buy shares, especially at these levels

**WE ALSO BELIEVE OTHER DIRECTORS WHO'VE BEEN ON THE BOARD SINCE 2018 SHOULD CONSIDER THEIR POSITIONS.
THE COMPANY NEEDS FRESH LEADERSHIP**

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