



Background information

Facts & Figures

The Division Diabetes Care

As of June 2007

Net sales 2006:	810 EURm
Employees:	1,700
Global ranking:	3
Headquarters:	Tarrytown, USA

Diabetes can affect anyone. According to the International Diabetes Foundation, more than 246 million people around the world already suffer from this disease, and this number is expected to rise to 380 million by 2025. With more than 60 years of experience in the diabetes care field and a range of products for blood glucose monitoring, the Diabetes Care division enables diabetes patients worldwide to improve their quality of life and gain greater independence.

Today, Bayer Diabetes Care is one of the leading suppliers of blood glucose monitoring systems and accessories. Bayer's user-friendly products help people with diabetes around the globe to manage their disease. For example, Bayer's new CONTOUR blood glucose monitoring system represents optimal diabetes management, incorporating a sleek design with easy-to-use features, including No Coding Required Technology and memory for 480 tests with a date and time stamp that is downloadable to Bayer's WINGLUCOFACTS Data Management Software or DIABASS (Diabetes Assistant) universal software. Bayer's BREEZE-2 blood glucose monitoring system also features No Coding Required Technology along with a 10-Test Disc, eliminating the need to insert individual test strips. Plus, Bayer's blood glucose monitoring systems require only tiny amounts of blood and display the blood sugar

values in just five seconds. These products are complemented by a line of lancing devices, including the MICROLET Adjustable Lancing Device and the MICROLET® VACULANCE Lancing Device. And, with the acquisition of Metrika Inc. in 2006, Bayer Diabetes Care was able to expand its range of products to include systems for measuring HbA1c values. This long-term blood glucose value enables conclusions to be drawn retrospectively about the patient's blood glucose level over a number of weeks.

With sales amounting to 788 EURm in 2006, the blood glucose monitoring systems ranked first among the top-selling Consumer Health products of Bayer HealthCare. Bayer Diabetes Care is headquartered in Tarrytown, NY, U.S.A. and has offices on all continents, serving customers in more than 100 countries.

Bayer HealthCare

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