Growth and resilience through innovation and diversification

Over its now seventy-year history, Comet has grown into a leading global high-tech company with a diversified positioning. This success and the strong growth of recent years would have been unthinkable without steady, high investment in innovative and custom-tailored solutions for existing and new markets.

The Group annually invests about 11% of its sales in R&D, thereby opening up new applications, services and markets based on its technologies and core competencies. As a maker of x-ray tubes, Comet laid the foundation for today's PCT business back in 1965 by launching the development of vacuum capacitors and establishing the first customer relationships with manufacturers in the semiconductor industry in Japan and then in the USA. With the subsequent development of its own impedance matching networks and generators, Comet is now becoming a provider of complete RF power systems. Comet also laid important groundwork in 2001 by additionally focusing on industrial x-ray modules, followed by the entry into the x-ray systems business and the electronics, automotive and aerospace markets via acquisitions. And through the development of the compact ebeam lamp, Comet gained entry to the market for food safety. By virtue of diversification, Comet today is well-positioned in a variety of high-growth markets.



