Syngene International (SYNINT)

CMP: ₹ 653 Target: ₹ 780 (19%)

Target Period: 12 months

July 22, 2021

Mixed numbers; Remdesivir impacts margins...

About the stock: Syngene is an innovation-led contract research, development and manufacturing organisation offering integrated scientific services from early discovery to commercial supply.

- It is one of the largest listed contract research organisations (CRO) in India
- Revenue breakup: Discovery services (35%), dedicated services (32%), development and manufacturing (33%)

Q1FY22 Results: Syngene reported mixed Q1FY22 results.

- Revenues grew 41% YoY to ₹ 658.5 crore amid lower base, normalisation of all verticals and manufacturing of Remdesivir
- EBITDA margins contracted 178 bps YoY to 27.8%, owing to change in product mix
- Consequent PAT was at ₹ 77.3 crore (up 33.3% YoY)

What should investors do? Syngene's share price has grown by ~2.9x over the past five years (from ~₹ 201 in June 2016 to ~₹ 583 levels in June 2021).

Due to the structural story of outsourcing, we remain positive and retain our BUY rating

Target Price and Valuation: We value Syngene at ₹ 780 i.e. 50x P/E on FY23E EPS

Key triggers for future price performance:

- Guided double digit revenues growth for FY22
- With elite client additions like Amgen, Zoetis, Herbalife, GSK, etc, and multiple year extension of BMS, Baxter contracts, the company remains well poised to capture opportunities in the global CRO space
- Eight of the top 10 global pharma companies have been availing services for the last five years
- The client base has grown from 256 to more than 400 over FY16-21

Alternate Stock Idea: Apart from Syngene, in CRO/CRAMS space we also like Divis.

- Divi's stays a quintessential play on Indian API/CRAMs segment with its product offering, execution prowess
- BUY with target price of ₹ 4825

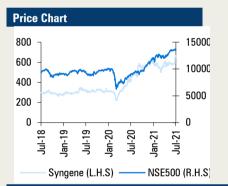






Particulars	
Particular	Amount
Market Capitalisation	₹ 26112 crore
Debt (FY21)	₹ 893 crore
Cash (FY21)	₹ 643 crore
EV	₹ 26362 crore
52 week H/L	700/408
Equity capital	₹ 400.0 crore
Face value	₹ 10

Shareholding pattern									
(in %)	Jun-20	Sep-20	Dec-20	Mar-21	Jun-21				
Promoter	70.7	70.6	70.6	70.6	70.4				
Public	28.5	28.7	28.7	28.7	28.7				
Others	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9				



Recent Event & Key risks

- Executed a five-year agreement to develop and manufacture three biologics for HIV
- Key Risk: (i) Higher than expected competition (ii) regulatory concern

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Key Financial Summary				<u> </u>			
Key Financials (₹ crore)	FY19	FY20	FY21	5 year CAGR (FY 16-21)	FY22E	FY23E	2 year CAGR (FY21-23E)
Revenues (₹ crore)	1825.6	2011.8	2184.3	14.6	2515.7	3072.1	18.6
EBITDA (₹ crore)	535.8	617.8	671.8	12.0	792.0	993.0	21.6
EBITDA margins (%)	29.3	30.7	30.8		31.5	32.3	
Adjusted Net Profit (₹ crore)	330.8	366.1	382.1	9.7	440.8	622.9	27.7
EPS (₹)	8.3	9.2	9.6		11.0	15.6	
P/E (x)	78.9	63.4	64.5		59.2	41.9	
RoE (x)	16.8	16.8	13.5		13.6	16.1	
RoCE (%)	14.8	14.5	11.5		13.1	16.6	

Key takeaways of recent quarter & conference call highlights

Q1FY22 Results: Revenues in line, adverse mix drag margins

- Revenues grew 41% YoY to ₹ 658.5 crore amid lower base, normalisation of all verticals and manufacturing of Remdesivir. Seasonality impacted sequential growth (de-grew 9.7%)
- EBITDA margins contracted 178 bps YoY to 27.8%, owing to higher raw material consumptions related to Remdesivir manufacturing
- EBITDA grew 32.5% YoY to ₹ 165 crore
- Consequent PAT was at ₹ 77.3 crore (up 33.3% YoY)

Q1FY22 Earnings Conference Call highlights – Revenues in line

- Reaffirmed growth guidance of mid-teen revenues for FY22
- Q1FY22 growth was driven by all the three business divisions as the company continued to operate at normal levels
- Growth in the dedicated R&D centre business is attributable to the expansion of the Bristol Myers Squibb R&D centre
- Revenue performance in Q1 was also boosted by manufacture of Remdesivir to fulfil high demand for drug from Indian healthcare providers
- Continued to manufacture Remdesivir for distribution in India and other countries under a voluntary license agreement with Gilead Inc
- Biologics business signed a five-year agreement with IAVI, to develop and manufacture three recombinant, monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) for HIV. The mAbs will be used for phase I and II human clinical studies
- Under agreement, Syngene will provide integrated solution including clone selection, analytical methods development, manufacturing process development, scale-up, cGMP manufacturing of drug substance, viral clearance studies, cGMP manufacturing of drug product, stability studies
- Till date, the company has spent US\$ 50 million on biologics manufacturing.
 It expects 15-20% capacity addition in FY22
- The company completed the second phase of expansion in Hyderabad and has close to 300 scientists working out of this facility. The third phase is expected to be complete in H2. It will add 200 more scientists
- Mangalore facility received ISO certification, USFDA, EMA and others
 approvals likely in next 24 months. By that time, the utilisation is gradually
 expected to reach ~20%. A 1x assets turnover is expected from this facility
 in the next five years
- Syngene will supply API to Albiero for recently approved Odevixibat
- Operational cost in Q1FY22–
 - o Higher raw material spent amid manufacturing of Remdesivir, which is \sim 60% of total Q1 RM cost
 - Staff cost increase amid
 – 1) recruitment of staff, 2) annual increment and 3) Covid safety measure cost
 - Other expenditure increase amid
 new way of working and spending in safety, IT related cost and maintenance cost
- Capex ₹ 77 crore in Q1
- Revenues in Q1FY22
 - Lower base
 - YoY growth ex low base effect seen steady growth
 - Sequential drop because of seasonality
 - o Ex Remdesivir growth mid teen

Exhibit 1: Variance	Analysis	6					
	Q1FY22	Q1FY22E	Q1FY21	YoY (%)	Q4FY21	QoQ (%)	Comments
Revenue	594.5	590.2	421.6	41.0	658.6	-9.7	Strong YoY growth driven by 1) lower base, 2) normalisation of all verticals and 3) manufacture of Remdesivir
Raw Material Expenses	194.6	144.9	89.7	116.9	161.5	20.5	
Gross margins	67.3	75.4	78.7	-1146 bps	75.5	-821 bps	Higher material cost mostly due to manufacturing of Remdesivir
Employee Expenses	171.1	171.2	140.4	21.9	182.6	-6.3	YoY increase due to 1) recruitment 2) annual increment and 3) Covid safety measure cost
Other Expenditure	63.8	89.3	67.0	-4.8	99.1	-35.6	
EBITDA	165.0	184.9	124.5	32.5	215.4	-23.4	
EBITDA (%)	27.8	31.3	29.5	-178 bps	32.7	-495 bps	YoY decline amid adverse product mix
Interest	7.9	4.4	7.4	6.8	6.6	19.7	
Depreciation	74.7	80.2	66.1	13.0	70.0	6.7	
Other Income	12.3	15.3	15.3	-19.6	18.4	-33.2	
PBT	94.7	115.6	66.3	42.8	192.2	-50.7	
Tax	17.4	18.5	8.3	109.6	31.6	-44.9	
PAT before MI	77.3	97.1	58.0	33.3	160.6	-51.9	
Net Profit	77.3	97.1	58.0	33.3	137.8	-43.9	In sync with operational performance

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 2: Chang	ge in estir	mates				
		FY22E			FY23E	
(₹ Crore)	Old	New	% Change	Old	New	% Change
Revenue	2,516.9	2,515.7	0.0	3,078.4	3,072.1	-0.2
EBITDA	792.4	792.0	0.0	995.1	993.0	-0.2
EBITDA Margin (%)	31.5	31.5	0 bps	32.3	32.3	0 bps
PAT	433.5	440.8	1.7	621.0	622.9	0.3
EPS (₹)	10.8	11.0	2.0	15.5	15.6	0.5

Source: ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 3: Fina	Exhibit 3: Financial Summary										
	Revenues	Growth	Adj. EPS	Growth	P/E	EV/EBITDA	RoE	RoCE			
	(₹ crore)	(%)	(₹)	(%)	(x)	(X)	(%)	(%)			
FY20	2012	10.2	9.2	10.7	63.4	41.9	16.8	14.5			
FY21	2184	8.6	9.6	4.4	64.5	38.6	13.5	11.5			
FY22E	2516	15.2	11.0	15.4	59.2	32.9	13.6	13.1			
FY23E	3072	22.1	15.6	41.3	41.9	25.5	16.1	16.6			

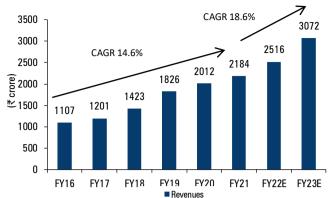
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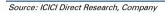
US\$ million	FY20	FY21	FY22E	FY23E
Discovery Services	90.1	103.0	118.5	136.3
Dedicated Centres	87.2	94.2	101.7	106.8
Development Services	76.0	68.4	76.6	85.8
Manufacturing Services	28.1	28.8	43.1	86.3
Total	281.4	294.4	340.0	415.1
Total (₹ crore)	2011.8	2184.3	2515.7	3072.1

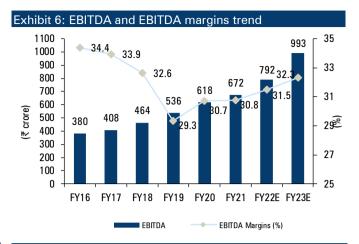
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Key Metrics

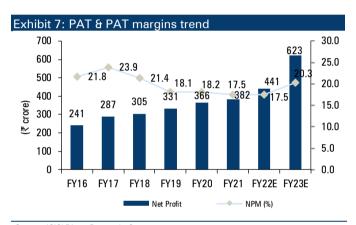
Exhibit 5: Revenues to grow at CAGR of 19% over FY21-23E CAGR 18.6%



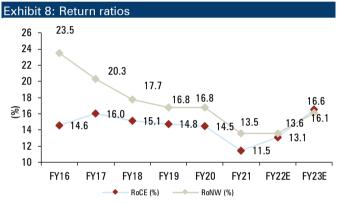




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(₹ Crore)	Q1FY19	Q2FY19	Q3FY19	Q4FY19	Q1FY20	Q2FY20	Q3FY20	Q4FY20	Q1FY21	Q2FY21	Q3FY21	Q4FY21	Q1FY22	YoY (%)	QoQ(%)
Total Operating Inc	406.0	418.6	467.1	533.9	420.9	464.5	519.1	607.3	421.6	519.6	584.5	658.6	594.5	41.0	-9.7
Raw Material Expe	128.8	110.3	142.6	149.6	105.5	125.1	144.6	144.2	89.7	127.6	147.7	161.5	194.6	116.9	20.5
% to revenues	31.7	26.3	30.5	28.0	25.1	26.9	27.9	23.7	21.3	24.6	25.3	24.5	32.7		
Gross Profit	277.2	308.3	324.5	384.3	315.4	339.4	374.5	463.1	331.9	392.0	436.8	497.1	399.9	20.5	-19.6
Gross Profit Margir	68.3	73.7	69.5	72.0	74.9	73.1	72.1	76.3	78.7	75.4	74.7	75.5	67.3	-1146 bps	-821 bps
Employee Expenses	105.6	114.9	116.6	130.2	132.2	131.8	152.3	164.1	140.4	161.2	176.0	182.6	171.1	21.9	-6.3
% to revenues	26.0	27.4	25.0	24.4	31.4	28.4	29.3	27.0	33.3	31.0	30.1	27.7	28.8	-452 bps	106 bps
Other Manufacturin	62.4	66.7	67.6	94.5	62.1	68.5	68.7	94.9	67.0	75.1	84.6	99.1	63.8	-4.8	-35.6
% to revenues	15.4	15.9	14.5	17.7	14.8	14.7	13.2	15.6	15.9	14.5	14.5	15.0	10.7	-516 bps	-432 bps
Total Expenditure	296.8	291.9	326.8	374.3	299.8	325.4	365.6	403.2	297.1	363.9	408.3	443.2	429.5	44.6	-3.1
% to revenues	73.1	69.7	70.0	70.1	71.2	70.1	70.4	66.4	70.5	70.0	69.9	67.3	72.2		
EBIDTA	109.2	126.7	140.3	159.6	121.1	139.1	153.5	204.1	124.5	155.7	176.2	215.4	165.0	32.5	-23.4
EBITDA Margin (%)	26.9	30.3	30.0	29.9	28.8	29.9	29.6	33.6	29.5	30.0	30.1	32.7	27.8	-178 bps	-495 bps
Depreciation	37.3	39.9	42.9	44.1	47.4	52.6	57.0	62.3	66.1	68.7	69.7	70.0	74.7	13.0	6.7
Interest	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.0	7.1	8.4	9.8	9.3	7.4	6.6	7.1	6.6	7.9	6.8	19.7
Other Income	18.8	18.2	17.3	20.8	20.5	20.6	20.0	20.5	15.3	13.8	17.1	18.4	12.3	-19.6	-33.2
PBT	82.8	96.8	106.5	128.3	87.1	98.7	106.7	153.0	66.3	94.2	116.5	157.2	94.7	42.8	-39.8
Total Tax	16.8	18.5	19.8	28.5	15.1	42.0	14.9	32.8	8.3	10.1	14.3	31.6	17.4	109.6	-44.9
PAT	66.0	78.3	86.7	99.8	72.0	56.7	91.8	120.2	58.0	84.1	102.2	125.6	77.3	33.3	-38.5
PAT Margin (%)	16.3	18.7	18.6	18.7	17.1	12.2	17.7	19.8	13.8	16.2	17.5	19.1	13.0	-75 bps	-607 bps

Source: ICICI Direct Research

FY21

321.3

274.5

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FY20

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219.3

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677.1

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-607.0

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₹ crore

FY23E

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FY22E

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-485.7

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Financial Summary

Exhibit 10: Profit and loss	statemen	nt		₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21	FY22E	FY23E
Total Operating Income	2,011.8	2,184.3	2,515.7	3,072.1
Growth (%)	10.2	8.6	15.2	22.1
Raw Material Expenses	519.4	526.5	606.4	740.5
Gross Profit	1,492.4	1,657.8	1,909.3	2,331.6
Gross Profit Margins (%)	74.2	75.9	75.9	75.9
Employee Expenses	580.4	660.2	739.9	877.7
Other Expenditure	617.8	671.8	792.0	993.0
Total Operating Expenditure	1,717.6	1,858.5	2,138.3	2,611.3
Operating Profit (EBITDA)	617.8	671.8	792.0	993.0
Growth (%)	15.3	8.7	17.9	25.4
Interest	34.6	27.7	21.7	9.1
Depreciation	219.3	274.5	298.8	326.6
Other Income	81.6	64.6	55.9	84.2
PBT after Exceptional Items	516.8	469.2	527.5	741.6
Total Tax	104.8	64.3	86.6	118.7
PAT before MI	412.0	404.9	440.8	622.9
Minority Interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PAT	412.0	404.9	440.8	622.9
Adjusted PAT	366.1	382.1	440.8	622.9
Growth (%)	10.7	4.4	15.4	41.3
EPS (Adjusted)	9.2	9.6	11.0	15.6

Free Cash Flow	/
Source: Company	ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 11: Cash flow statement

(Year-end March)

Profit/(Loss) after taxation

Other operating activities

(Inc)/dec in Fixed Assets

(Inc)/dec in Investments

Other Investing Activities

Inc / (Dec) in Equity Capital

Inc / (Dec) in Loan funds

Dividend & Dividend Tax

Net Cash flow

Opening Cash

Closing Cash

Others

Add: Depreciation & Amortization

Net Increase in Current Assets

Net Increase in Current Liabilities

CF from operating activities

CF from investing activities

CF from financing activities

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 12: Balance Sheet				₹ crore
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21	FY22E	FY23E
Equity Capital	400.0	400.0	400.0	400.0
Reserve and Surplus	1,775.8	2,421.4	2,850.2	3,459.9
Total Shareholders funds	2,175.8	2,821.4	3,250.2	3,859.9
Total Debt	772.9	892.9	592.9	292.9
Long Term Provisions	40.9	52.0	57.2	62.9
Other Non Current Liabilities	325.8	259.2	285.1	313.6
Source of Funds	3,315.4	4,025.5	4,185.4	4,529.4
Gross Block	3,017.2	3,460.0	4,276.2	4,461.2
Accumulated Depreciation	997.5	1,259.0	1,557.8	1,884.4
Net Block	2,019.7	2,201.0	2,718.4	2,576.8
Capital WIP	234.1	237.2	237.2	237.2
Fixed Assets	2,253.8	2,438.2	2,955.6	2,814.0
Investments	776.4	702.0	802.0	902.0
Other Non current asets	135.8	270.5	273.0	295.4
Inventory	25.2	59.6	68.9	84.2
Debtors	398.2	339.2	466.7	570.0
Loans and Advances	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Current Assets	169.3	342.0	316.8	342.9
Cash	281.5	642.6	156.9	483.0
Total Current Assets	874.2	1,383.4	1,009.4	1,480.0
Creditors	222.0	241.6	308.0	376.1
Provisions	41.5	46.5	46.5	46.5
Deferred tax assets	122.7	89.1	98.0	107.8
Other Current Liabilities	584.0	569.6	598.1	647.3
Total Current Liabilities	847.5	857.7	952.6	1,069.9
Net Current Assets	26.7	525.7	56.8	410.1
Application of Funds	3,315.4	4,025.5	4,185.4	4,529.4

Source: Company, ICICI Direct Research

Exhibit 13: Key ratios				
(Year-end March)	FY20	FY21	FY22E	FY23E
Per share data (₹)				
EPS	9.2	9.6	11.0	15.6
BV	54.4	70.5	81.3	96.5
DPS	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.5
Cash Per Share	7.0	16.1	3.9	12.1
Operating Ratios (%)				
Gross Profit Margins	74.2	75.9	75.9	75.9
EBITDA margins	30.7	30.8	31.5	32.3
Net Profit margins	18.2	17.5	17.5	20.3
Inventory days	4.6	10.0	10.0	10.0
Debtor days	72.2	56.7	67.7	67.7
Creditor days	40.3	40.4	44.7	44.7
EBITDA Conversion Rate	109.6	104.4	94.0	93.8
Gross Asset Turnover	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7
Return Ratios (%)				
RoE	16.8	13.5	13.6	16.1
RoCE	14.5	11.5	13.1	16.6
RoIC	22.1	16.8	17.0	24.0
Valuation Ratios (x)				
P/E	63.4	64.5	59.2	41.9
EV / EBITDA	41.9	38.6	32.9	25.5
EV / Revenues	12.9	11.9	10.3	8.2
Market Cap / Revenues	13.0	12.0	10.4	8.5
Price to Book Value	12.0	9.3	8.0	6.8
Solvency Ratios (x)				
Debt / Equity	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
Debt / EBITDA	1.3	1.3	0.7	0.3
Current Ratio	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9
Source: Company ICICI Direct Research				

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