

Anta Sports (2020 HK) Better post-pandemic growth outlook

- Changes in management roles for long-term development
- FY22 retail sales was affected by COVID resurgence across the nation; retail sales of ANTA grew by low-single-digit rate while that of FILA declined
- Revenue growth would benefit from consumer market recovery in 2023 and low-base effect in 2022
- Maintain BUY; current TP implies 40.87x/30.75x 22E/23E P/E, or 9.28x/7.72x 22E/23E P/B

Changes in management roles for long-term development. The Group announced changes in management responsibilities of several executive directors. Emphasis has been placed on management roles and oversight of product groups and portfolio brands. Mr. Lai Shixian would be in charge of ANTA and other brands, Mr. Wu Yonghua would be in charge of FILA, and Mr. Zheng Jie would continue to oversee Amer Sports. We believe these changes would enable more efficient management of the Group's ever-expanding brand portfolio covering multiple product categories in domestic and overseas markets, and facilitate long-term development.

Better growth outlook post-pandemic. In FY22, retail sales of FILA declined by low-single-digit rate, while retail sales of ANTA and other brands achieved low-single-digit increase and 20-25% increase. 4Q22 retail sales of ANTA and FILA declined YoY and operating performance throughout FY22 has been volatile due to social-distancing measures amid COVID resurgence. As the authority continues to phase out social distancing measures and infections peaks, we expect consumption activities to rebound and consumer sentiment to improve in 2023. The Group's 2023 performance will be boosted by the improving consumption environment and the low base in 2022. We lower FY22E revenue growth to 3.0% YoY based on the released 4Q22 data; FY23E/24E revenue growth are projected at 28.4% YoY/22.0% YoY.

Maintain BUY, TP at HK\$ 131.2. We believe strong brand portfolio and extensive sales network would enable the Group to capture the post-pandemic growth. Maintain BUY. We raise our DCF-derived TP to reflect the higher growth forecasts for FY23E/24E. Current TP represents 40.87x/30.75x 22E/23E P/E, or 9.28x/7.72x 22E/23E P/B.

Risk factors: 1) Macroeconomic risk; 2) Resurgence of COVID-19 pandemic; 3) Commodity price risk; 4) Regulatory risk; 5) Changing consumer taste in China, 6) Business acquisition risk; 7) Fluctuations in EPS and DPS growth.

Results and Valuation

Results and valuation					
FY ended Dec 31	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue (RMB mn)	35,512	49,328	50,819	65,235	79,614
Chg (%,YoY)	4.7	38.9	3.0	28.4	22.0
Net Profit (to shareholders of					
the Company) (RMB mn)	5,162	7,720	7,536	10,017	12,549
Chg (%,YoY)	(3.4)	49.6	(2.4)	32.9	25.3
Basic EPS (RMB)	1.92	2.87	2.78	3.69	4.62
Chg (% YoY)	(3.4)	49.5	(3.2)	32.9	25.3
P/E (x)	52.60	35.17	36.35	27.35	21.83
BVPS (RMB)	8.88	10.70	12.23	14.71	17.78
P/B (x)	11.37	9.44	8.26	6.86	5.68
DPS(HK cent)	68	158	103	140	179
Yield (%)	0.6	1.6	0.9	1.2	1.5
ROAA (%)	12.0	14.3	12.4	14.8	16.2
ROAE (%)	23.4	29.2	24.3	27.4	28.5

Source(s): The Group, ABCI Securities estimates

Company Report Jan 19, 2023 Rating: BUY TP: HK\$ 131.2

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Share price (HK\$)	116.70
52 wk High/Low (HK\$)	134.2/67.85
Est. share price return	12.4%
Est. dividend yield	0.9%
Est. total return	13.3%
Previous Rating&TP	BUY;HK\$113.2
Previous Report Date	Oct 24, 2022

Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates

Key Data	
Issued shares (bn)	2.7
Mkt cap (HK\$ bn)	316.7
3 mth days ADT (HK\$mn)	753.3
Shareholding (%)	
Anta International	44.26
Anda Holdings	5.93

Source(s): The Group, Bloomberg, HKEx

Share performance (%) <u>Absolute</u> 1-mth 17.76

Relative* 6.31 12.26 3-mth 42.75 19.77 6-mth 26.57 * Relative to HSI

Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities

1-year price performance(HK\$) 150 26.000 135 24,000 120 22,000 105 20,000 18.000 75 16,000 14,000 SI Index (RHS)

Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities

1) All pricing and market data as of Jan 18, 2023 2) RMB/HKD: 1.1560



Exhibit 1: Retail sales growth by quarter (YoY %)					
	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	2022
ANTA Brand	High-teens +	Mid-single digit -	Mid-single digit +	High-single digit	Low-single digit +
FILA Brand	Mid-single digit +	High-single digit	Low teens +	Low teens	Low-single digit
Other brands	40-45 +	20-25 +	40-45 +	Low teens +	20-25 +

Note: "+" means increase, "-" means decrease Source(s): The Group, ABCI Securities

Exhibit 2	: Changes in management responsibilities of executive directors
1	Mr. Ding Shizhong (丁世忠) will retire from the role as the CEO and will remain as the Chairman. He will continue to play a core leadership role in the Group's corporate strategy, talent build-up, corporate culture and operational supervision, and will directly oversee the Group's internal audit and supervision functions as well as mergers and acquisitions initiatives.
2	Mr. Ding Shijia (丁世家) will continue to oversee the Group's manufacturing operation, and will cease to oversee the Group's supply chain management.
3	Mr. Zheng Jie (鄭捷) will remain as an Executive Director and will retire from the roles as Group President and the chief executive officer of the Outdoor Sports Group. He will continue with his role as the chief executive officer of Amer Sports and be primarily responsible for Amer Sports related business.
4	Mr. Lai Shixian (賴世賢) will be appointed as the Co-CEO, and will retire from the role as the CFO. He will be in charge of ANTA brand, all other brands except FILA brand, group procurement and a number of the Group's functions including human resources, legal, investor relations and administration.
5	Mr. Wu Yonghua (吳永華) will be appointed as the Co-CEO, and will retire from the role as the chief executive officer of the Performance Sports Group. He will be in charge of FILA brand, the Group's international businesses and a number of the Group's functions including retail channel management and public relations.
6	Mr. Bi Mingwei (畢明偉) will be appointed as the CFO. He will be primarily responsible for the Group's financial management functions and a number of middle-and-back-office functions including business process management and logistics management.

Source(s): The Group, ABCI Securities

Exhibit 3: Changes in assumptions, projections, and valuations								
	Current	report	Previou	us report	Rationale			
As of Dec 31	FY22E	FY23E	FY22E	FY23E	Rationale			
Assumptions								
D/E (%)	30.8	23.9	30.8	23.9				
D/A (%)	17.0	13.8	17.0	13.8	N/A			
Tax rate (%)	28.4	28.8	28.4	28.8				
Valuations								
TP (HK\$)	131	.2	11	3.2	High an TD and are booking does to the binds			
P/E (x)	40.87	30.75	34.28	28.54	Higher TP and valuation due to the higher revenue and FY23E/24E profit forecasts			
P/B (x)	9.28	7.72	8.45	7.05	revenue and r 120E/24E profit forecasts			

Source(s): ABCI Securities estimates

Exhibit 4: Changes in major forecas	ts								
	C	urrent rep	ort	Pi	evious rep	ort	(Change (%	6)
FY ends at Dec 31	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue (RMB mn)	50,819	65,235	79,614	56,214	65,054	75,369	(9.6)	0.3	5.6
Net profit (to owners of the Company) (RMB mn)	7,536	10,017	12,549	8,304	9,974	11,823	(9.2)	0.4	6.1
EPS (RMB)	2.78	3.69	4.62	3.06	3.68	4.36	(9.2)	0.4	6.1

Note: previous report was published on Oct 24, 2022

Source(s): ABCI Securities estimates



Financial Statements

Consolidated income statement

FY ends at Dec 31 (RMB mn, except per share data)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue	35,512	49,328	50,819	65,235	79,614
- ANTA brand	15,749	24,012	25,179	32,828	39,596
- FILA brand	17,450	21,822	21,293	25,976	30,477
- Other brands	2,313	3,494	4,348	6,430	9,541
COGS	(14,861)	(18,924)	(19,356)	(24,446)	(29,504)
Gross profit	20,651	30,404	31,463	40,788	50,110
Other net income/(loss)	1,389	1,266	1,305	1,692	2,051
S&D expenses	(10,766)	(17,753)	(18,181)	(23,210)	(28,486)
Admin expenses	(2,122)	(2,928)	(3,259)	(4,195)	(5,119)
Operating profit	9,152	10,989	11,328	15,075	18,556
Net finance income/(expense)	(462)	332	(117)	(87)	(10)
Share of gain/(loss) of JV	(601)	(81)	91	102	114
Pretax profit	8,089	11,240	11,302	15,090	18,661
Tax	(2,520)	(3,021)	(3,275)	(4,376)	(5,278)
Net profit	5,569	8,219	8,027	10,713	13,382
- Owners of the company	5,162	7,720	7,536	10,017	12,549
- Minority interest	407	499	491	696	834
Dividend	1,563	3,524	2,422	3,284	4,209
EPS (RMB)					
- Basic	1.92	2.87	2.78	3.69	4.62
- Diluted	1.89	2.81	2.69	3.58	4.48
DPS (HK cent)	68	158	103	140	179

Note: items may not sum up due to rounding Source(s): The Group, ABCI Securities estimates

Consolidated balance sheet

FY ends at Dec 31 (RMB mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Cash and cash equivalent	15,323	17,592	16,745	19,036	24,115
Trade receivables	3,731	3,296	3,907	5,875	5,627
Inventory	5,486	7,644	6,317	11,184	9,631
Others	8,177	11,950	13,807	18,174	20,799
Current assets	32,717	40,482	40,775	54,268	60,172
PP&E and CIP	2,729	3,779	4,453	4,555	4,745
Right-of-use assets	4,108	6,611	7,298	6,983	7,716
Intangible assets	1,579	1,531	1,476	1,458	1,442
Investment in JV	9,658	9,027	8,847	9,125	9,422
Others	1,076	1,818	2,934	3,047	2,634
Non-current assets	19,150	22,766	25,008	25,169	25,959
Total assets	51,867	63,248	65,783	79,437	86,131
Trade payables	2,376	3,146	2,060	6,444	1,595
ST borrowings	1,968	1,748	10,957	9,116	9,126
Others	7,371	11,049	10,895	12,482	13,679
Current liabilities	11,715	15,943	23,913	28,042	24,400
LT borrowings	12,456	11,425	433	1,484	1,869
Deferred tax liabilities	527	655	527	720	745
Others	1,345	2,982	3,922	4,772	5,524
Total non-current liabilities	14,328	15,062	4,882	6,976	8,138
Shareholders' equity	24,013	28,924	33,178	39,912	48,252
Minority interest	1,811	3,319	3,810	4,507	5,340
Total equity	25,824	32,243	36,989	44,419	53,593
Total liabilities and equity	51,867	63,248	65,783	79,437	86,131

Note: items may not sum up due to rounding Source(s): The Group, ABCI Securities estimates



Consolidated cash flow statement

FY ends at Dec 31 (RMB mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Pretax profit	8,089	11,240	11,302	15,090	18,661
Depreciation & amortization	2,079	3,266	3,000	2,938	3,201
Change in working capital	(2,212)	(282)	718	(4,350)	(1,265)
Others	(498)	(2,363)	(3,253)	(4,295)	(5,199)
Cash flow from operating activities	7,458	11,861	11,767	9,383	15,397
Change in PP&E	(424)	(779)	(293)	(346)	(366)
Others	(1,499)	(3,890)	(5,902)	(246)	(3,574)
Cash flow from investing activities	(1,923)	(4,669)	(6,195)	(592)	(3,941)
Change in borrowing	(3,343)	(196)	(1,783)	(790)	395
Dividend paid	(1,481)	(2,456)	(2,217)	(3,012)	(3,854)
Others	6,053	(2,295)	(2,525)	(2,777)	(3,055)
Cash flow from financing activities	1,229	(4,947)	(6,525)	(6,579)	(6,514)
Net change in cash	6,764	2,245	(953)	2,212	4,943
ForEx effect	338	24	106	79	137
Cash at the end of FY	15,323	17,592	16,745	19,036	24,115

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Key operating and financial ratios

FY ends at Dec 31	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Growth (YoY %)					
Revenue	4.7	38.9	3.0	28.4	22.0
- ANTA Brand	(9.7)	52.5	4.9	30.4	20.6
- FILA Brand	18.1	25.1	-2.4	22.0	17.3
- Other brands	35.4	51.1	24.4	47.9	48.4
Gross profit	10.7	47.2	3.5	29.6	22.9
EBIT	5.3	20.1	3.1	33.1	23.1
Net profit (to owners of the company)	(3.4)	49.6	(2.4)	32.9	25.3
Profitability ratios (%)					
GPM	58.2	61.6	61.9	62.5	62.9
OPM	25.8	22.3	22.3	23.1	23.3
Pretax	22.8	22.8	22.2	23.1	23.4
NPM (to owners of the company)	14.5	15.7	14.8	15.4	15.8
Revenue contribution (%)					
- ANTA Brand	44.3	48.7	49.5	50.3	49.7
- FILA Brand	49.1	44.2	41.9	39.8	38.3
- Other brands	6.5	7.1	8.6	9.9	12.0
Return ratios (%)					
ROAA	12.0	14.3	12.4	14.8	16.2
ROAE	23.4	29.2	24.3	27.4	28.5
Liquidity ratio (x)					
Current ratio	2.8	2.5	1.7	1.9	2.5
Quick ratio	2.3	2.1	1.4	1.5	2.1
Cash ratio	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.1	1.7
Cash conversion cycle (days)					
Days of outstanding receivable	39	26	26	27	26
Days of inventory on hand	121	127	132	131	129
Days of outstanding payable	66	53	53	53	52
ccc	95	99	105	105	103
Leverage ratios (%)					
Total debt/Equity	55.9	40.9	30.8	23.9	20.5
Total debt/Total assets	27.8	20.8	17.3	13.3	12.8
Net cash/Equity	(22.9)	(35.4)	(44.7)	(48.0)	(55.6)
Net cash/Total assets	(11.4)	(18.0)	(25.1)	(26.8)	(34.6)

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