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## Samsung Electronics | Asia Pacific

# 2Q26 – Clean Beat, Share Gains and HBM Leadership

### AlphaSignals Earnings Reaction

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| <b>Unchanged</b><br>Impact to our thesis | <b>In-line</b><br>Financial results versus consensus | <b>Largely unchanged</b><br>Direction of next 12-month consensus EPS |
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Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

### Key Takeaways

- Record 2Q revenue accelerated 130% YoY (28% QoQ) to W172tr, driven by semiconductor sales +357% YoY with memory +471%.
- Meaningful share gain in DRAM and higher supply shortages into 2027 with LTAs allocation potentially reaching ~60-70% of total memory capacity.
- Management confirmed sizable up-front payments from customers, with continued requests for additional LT contracts.
- HBM shipment up 3x in 3Q26, HBM4 to contribute ~60% of total HBM sales next year and HBM4E samples already shipped to major customers.
- Capex in 2026 likely W60-70tr range based on W110tr total capex less R&D, mainly DRAM and foundry.

**Quick take.** The key investor debate was around how LTAs, HBM leadership, capex and sustained pricing power can drive numbers higher. Despite a moderation in consumer end markets in 2H26, management expects AI demand (server, HBM, SSD, foundry) and smartphone 'Flagship-First' strategy to drive premium market share to more than offset. We think Samsung memory narrative is materially different now for several reasons: 1) Technology leadership is back: HBM4/4e first to market and advanced node wins in foundry; 2) high level of binding memory LTA commitments drive significantly tighter capacity constraints in 2027; 3) leading to sustained FCF growth and capital returns; and 4) stock mispriced on valuation at 3.9x 2026e P/E, 2.1x P/B despite 5x higher ROE relative to past peak levels.

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**Samsung Electronics (005930.KS, 005930 KP)**

**Top Pick**

S. Korea Technology | S. Korea

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Stock Rating</b>             | <b>Overweight</b> |
| <b>Industry View</b>            | <b>Attractive</b> |
| Price target                    | W381,000          |
| Up/downside to price target (%) | 83                |
| Shr price, close (Jul 29, 2026) | W208,500          |
| 52-Week Range                   | W374,500-67,500   |
| Sh out, dil, curr (mn)          | 6,607             |
| Mkt cap, curr (bn)              | W1,501,631        |
| EV, curr (bn)                   | W1,387,302        |
| Avg daily trading value (bn)    | W4,395            |

| Fiscal Year Ending | 12/25  | 12/26e  | 12/27e  | 12/28e  |
|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| EPS (W)**          | 6,562  | 53,985  | 74,381  | 74,499  |
| Prior EPS (W)**    | -      | -       | -       | -       |
| EPS (W)\$          | 6,225  | 47,438  | 66,292  | 68,181  |
| EBITDA (W bn)      | 89,716 | 461,966 | 695,983 | 725,428 |
| P/E                | 20.5   | 4.3     | 3.1     | 3.1     |
| P/BV               | 2.1    | 2.1     | 1.3     | 0.9     |
| ROE (%)            | 11.1   | 85.5    | 65.9    | 40.9    |
| EV/EBITDA          | 8.3    | 2.9     | 1.7     | 1.3     |
| Div yld (%)        | 1.4    | 2.1     | 2.4     | 2.3     |
| FCF yld ratio (%)  | 2.5    | 6.1     | 13.7    | 20.9    |

Unless otherwise noted, all metrics are based on Morgan Stanley ModelWare framework

\*\* = Based on consensus methodology

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### **Samsung Electronics (005930.KS)**

Our base case price target is derived from our residual income valuation model. At our price target, the 2027e P/B multiple would be c.2x, in line with the stock's commodity cycle peak of 2.0x. We assume an 11.5% cost of equity, based on a beta of 1.0, and our terminal growth rate assumption is 3%.

#### **Risks to Upside**

- New technological developments, especially in memory and foldable displays
- Longer-lasting memory up-cycle from AI and hyperscale data center growth

#### **Risks to Downside**

- Product and memory cycle, including Apple and new Chinese smartphone competition
- Earnings growth concentration in semiconductors

### **Samsung Electronics (005935.KS)**

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#### **Risks to Upside**

- New technology developments, especially in memory and foldable displays
- Longer-lasting memory up-cycle from AI and hyperscale data center growth
- Further narrowing of discount to common shares

#### **Risks to Downside**

- Product and memory cycle, including Apple and new Chinese smartphone competition
- Earnings growth concentration in semiconductors
- Deepening of discount to common shares

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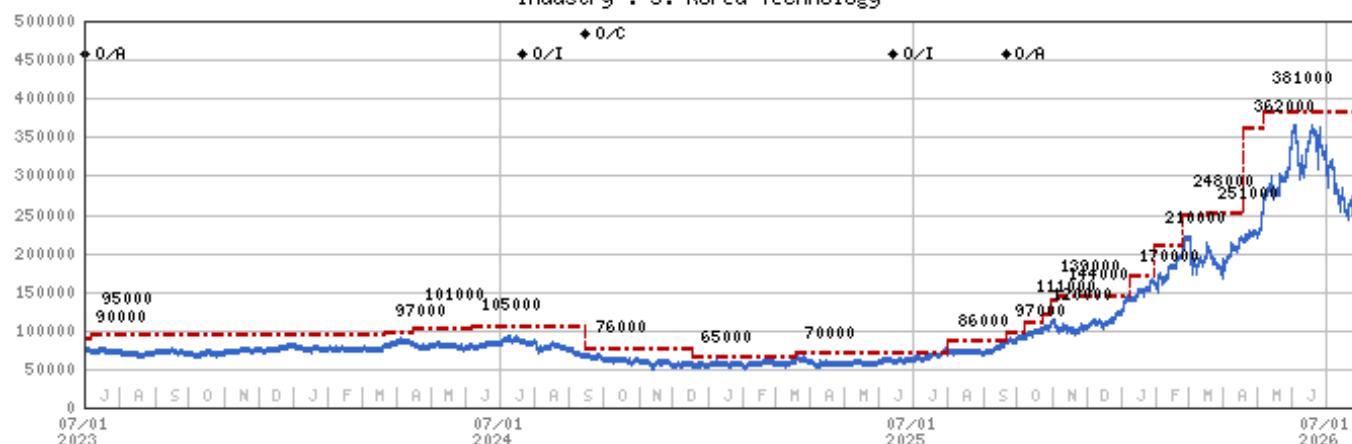
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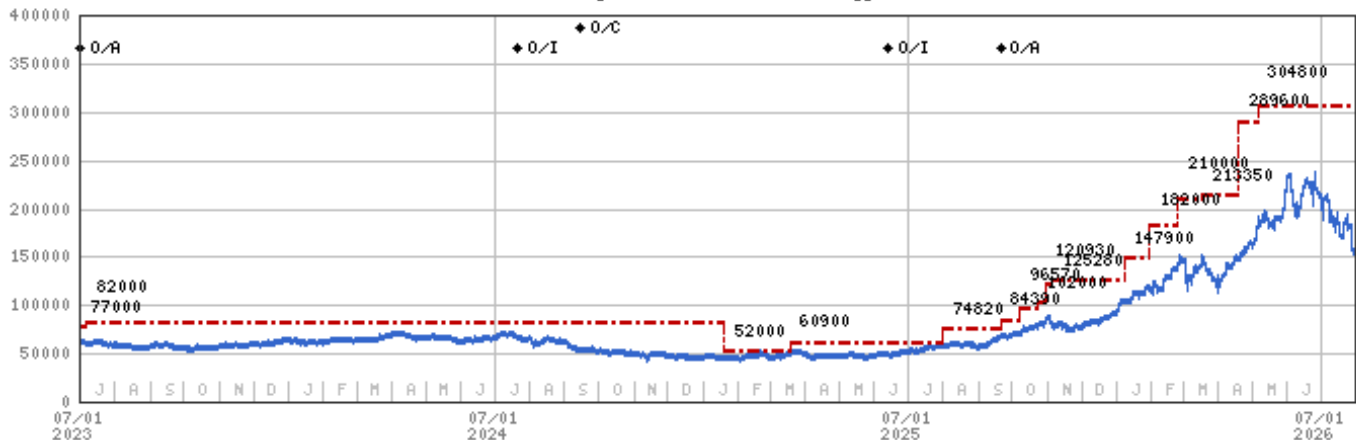
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| COMPANY (TICKER)                         | RATING (AS OF) | PRICE* (07/29/2026) |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Ryan Kim                                 |                |                     |
| Ecopro BM (247540.KQ)                    | U (03/20/2023) | W92,600             |
| Fadu Inc (440110.KQ)                     | O (09/21/2025) | W50,300             |
| Hanmi Semiconductor Co. Ltd. (042700.KS) | E (07/22/2026) | W167,600            |
| HD Hyundai Electric Co Ltd (267260.KS)   | O (03/25/2025) | W586,000            |
| Isu Petasys Co. Ltd. (007660.KS)         | O (02/03/2025) | W64,000             |
| L&F Co Ltd (066970.KS)                   | E (04/03/2025) | W65,600             |
| Leeno Industrial Inc. (058470.KQ)        | O (04/03/2025) | W58,200             |
| Lotte Energy Materials Corp (020150.KS)  | U (04/03/2025) | W24,200             |
| LS Electric (010120.KS)                  | O (01/22/2026) | W163,800            |
| POSCO FUTURE M (003670.KS)               | U (04/03/2025) | W122,100            |
| SK IE Technology (361610.KS)             | U (04/03/2025) | W12,540             |
| SK Square Co Ltd. (402340.KS)            | O (05/06/2026) | W850,000            |
| Wonik IPS Co Ltd (240810.KQ)             | O (08/08/2025) | W83,200             |
| Shawn Kim                                |                |                     |
| LG Display (034220.KS)                   | E (06/11/2025) | W8,570              |
| LG Electronics (066570.KS)               | E (04/07/2025) | W150,500            |
| LG Innotek (011070.KS)                   | E (03/12/2025) | W458,000            |
| Samsung Electro-Mechanics (009150.KS)    | O (07/31/2025) | W1,029,000          |
| Samsung Electronics (005935.KS)          | O (11/18/2019) |                     |
| Samsung Electronics (005930.KS)          | O (11/18/2019) |                     |
| SK hynix (000660.KS)                     | O (09/21/2025) |                     |

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