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On Today's Earnings Call



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Introduction

Brett Monia, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer





2021: Investing for Growth

Commercial

- Investing in high-priority wholly owned programs
- Integrating core capabilities from Akcea commercial organization

Pipeline

- Reported positive PKK-L_{Rx} data supporting Phase 3 advancement
- Expect tofersen Phase 3 data this fall
 Launched FUS-ALS and Alexander disease pivotal studies

Infrastructure

• Increasing R&D and manufacturing capacity to support wholly owned pipeline, commercialization and technology advancements

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Q1 2021 Financial Performance

Beth Hougen Chief Financial Officer





Investing in Our Strategic Priorities to Drive Revenue and Earnings Growth

Advancing our high-priority wholly owned pipeline

Building capabilities to commercialize our wholly owned medicines

Broadening the reach of our technology







Continued Blockbuster Performance with \$521M in Q1 2021 Sales

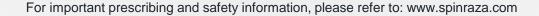
\$60M in Q1'21 Royalties to lonis



Source: Biogen Q1 2021 Financial Results and Business Update; 1. Includes patients from postmarketing, EAP and clinical settings; 2. As of March 31, 2021; 3. Biogen estimate, data on file; 4. DEVOTE study: <u>clinicaltirals.org/NCT04089566</u> 5. RESPOND study: <u>clinicaltirals.org/NCT04488133</u>;



- >11,000 patients on SPINRAZA worldwide^{1,2}
- >60,000 SMA patients in markets where Biogen has a commercial presence³
- Ongoing commitment to improving outcomes for SMA patients of all ages
 - DEVOTE study: safety, tolerability of higher-dose SPINRAZA consistent with currently approved dose in open-label safety cohort enabled dosing in pivotal, blinded cohort to begin⁴
 - RESPOND study: dosing in SMA patients with suboptimal response to gene therapy underway⁵



TEGSEDI and WAYLIVRA

Generated \$20 million in combined revenue in Q1 2021

Transition to distribution model complete in Europe, underway in North America

TEGSEDI and WAYLIVRA revenues shift from product sales to distribution fees*



*Q1'21 revenues reflect shift to distribution fees in Europe. Shift to distribution fees for revenues from TEGSEDI sales in North America will begin to be reflected in Q2'21

Q1 2021 Financial Results

\$112 million in revenue

Driven by commercial revenues

\$45 million net loss*

Reflects strategy to drive growth

SPINRAZA (nusinersen) injection izmg/SmL

\$60 million

In royalties to Ionis

\$1.8 billion of cash

Financial strength to achieve strategic priorities



*Non-GAAP – please see Financial Impacts of Akcea Acquisition and Restructured Operations and reconciliation to GAAP in Q1'21 press release

On Track to Achieve 2021 Financial Guidance

| Revenue | Operating Expenses | Net Loss |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| >\$600 million | \$675-\$725 million* | <\$75 million* |



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Well Capitalized to Support Next Phase of Growth

Issued \$630M of convertible notes at 0% interest: Fund large capital improvement project to expand our manufacturing and R&D capacity

Refinance \$310 million of 1% convertible notes

Significantly reduces interest expense while keeping potential future dilution nearly flat



Pipeline Performance

Richard Geary, Ph.D. Executive Vice President, Development





Key 2021 Pipeline Events

1. Timing of partnered program catalysts based on partners' most recent publicly available disclosures

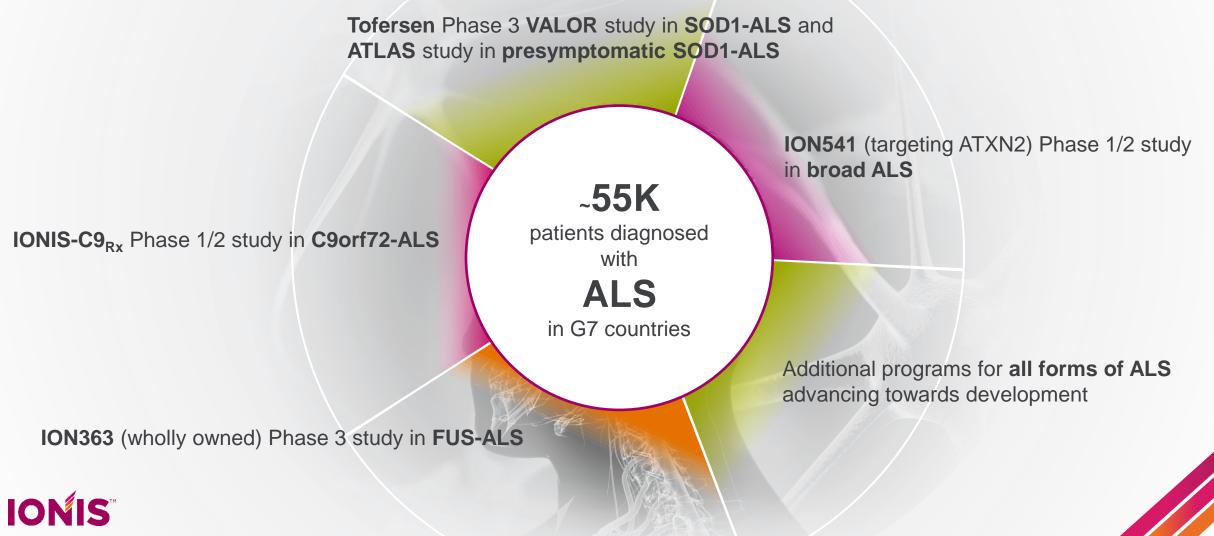
2. Dosing stopped in Phase 3 GENERATION HD1 Study, paused in GEN-EXTEND OLE study. GEN-PEAK and Roche HD Natural History study continuing

| DATA READOUTS ¹ | | | H1 | H2 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------|----|
| PKK-L _{Rx} | Phase 2 | Hereditary Angioedema (top-line data) | \checkmark | |
| AGT-L _{Rx} | Phase 2 | Hypertension | ~ | |
| Tominersen ² | Phase 3 | Huntington's disease | \checkmark | |
| ENAC-2.5 _{Rx} | Phase 2 | Cystic Fibrosis | • | |
| GHR-L _{Rx} | Phase 2 + OLE | Acromegaly | | • |
| MAPT _{Rx} | Phase 1/2 | Alzheimer's Disease | | • |
| PKK-L _{Rx} | Phase 2 | Hereditary Angioedema (full data) | | • |
| Vupanorsen | Phase 2b | Dyslipidemia | | • |
| Tofersen | VALOR Phase 3 | SOD1-ALS | | • |
| KEY STUDY INITIATIONS ¹ | | H1 | H2 | |
| SPINRAZA | RESPOND Phase 4 | SMA, Suboptimal gene therapy response | ~ | |
| Tofersen | ATLAS Phase 3 | Presymptomatic SOD1-ALS | \checkmark | |
| ION363 | Phase 3 | FUS-ALS | ~ | |
| AGT-L _{Rx} | Phase 2b | Resistant hypertension | \checkmark | |
| AGT-L _{Rx} | Phase 2 | Heart failure with reduced ejection fraction | \checkmark | |
| ION373 | Phase 2 | Alexander disease | \checkmark | |
| ION224 | Phase 2b | NASH | • | |
| APOCIII-L _{Rx} | Phase 3 | Second TG indication (sHTG) | | • |



We Are Committed to Treating All Forms of ALS

Tofersen Phase 3 data readout expected fall 2021



Conclusion

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Accelerating our Next Stage of Growth

Advancing pipeline & technology

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Pioneering new markets & Changing standards of care Financial strength to invest in areas with the greatest value-driving potential

Positioned for 12+ products on the market in 2026



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