



# Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and Business Update

June 23, 2022

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**Business Update**  
**June 22, 2022**



## **Transformation into a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company with two proprietary technology platforms**

- Focus on preCISION platform as the major near-term value driver
  - Lead preCISION drug AVA6000 in phase I clinical trial (ALS-6000-001)
  - preCISION proteasome inhibitor (AVA3996) in pre-clinical development
- Pre-clinical pipeline of wholly owned Affimer therapies and key partnerships with LG Chem and Daewoong
- Recent strong additions to the Executive, Non-executive and Advisory teams
- ALS-6000-001 progressing very well with key clinical read-out later in the year

# Therapeutics Division Key Achievements



- Appointment of Neil Bell as Chief Development Officer.
- AVA6000 CTA approved by MHRA.
- Expansion of LG Chem partnership to include Affimer PD-L1 antagonist and Affimer XT™.

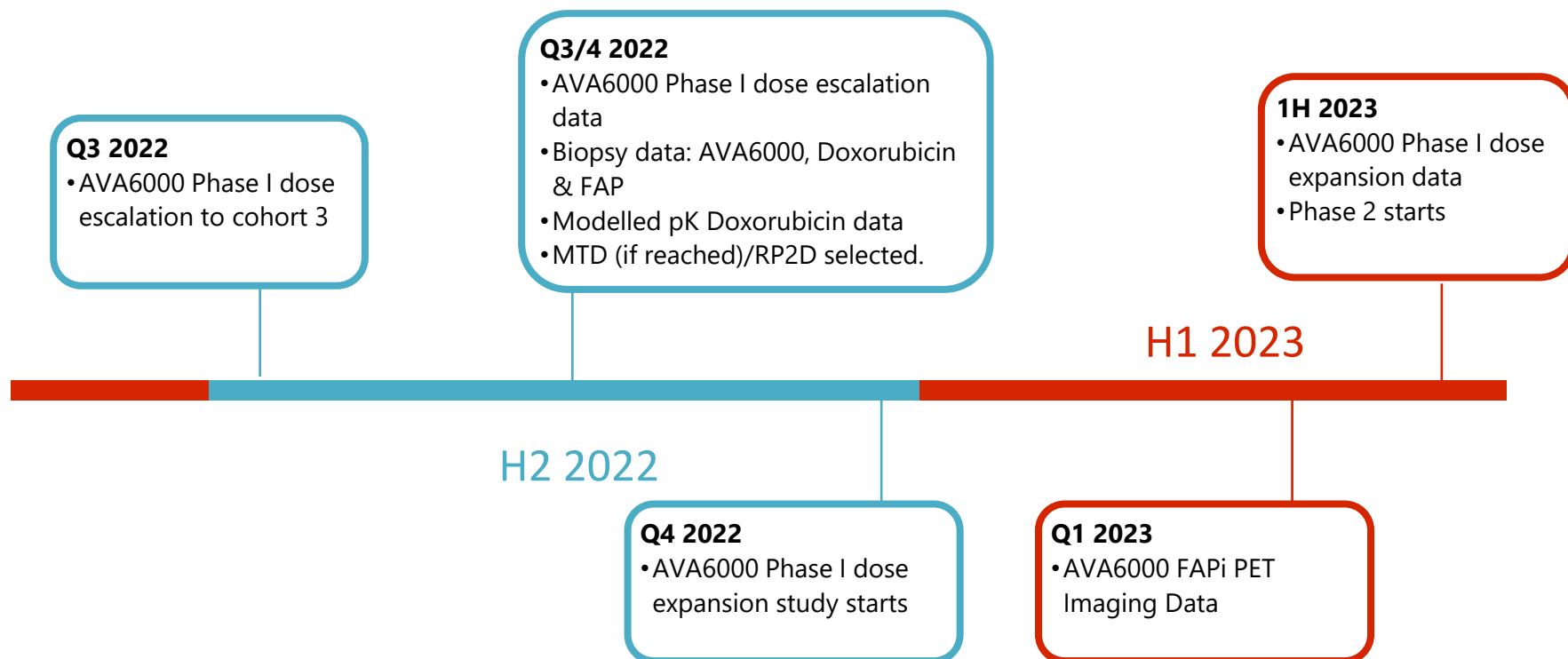
- Licensing agreement with POINT Biopharma Inc., to provide access to Avacta's pre|CISION™ technology for the development of tumour-activated radiopharmaceuticals.
- Series A venture capital investment round closed for AffyXell Therapeutics ('AffyXell'), the joint venture with Daewoong Pharmaceuticals.

- First patient dosed in ALS-6000-101 at the Royal Marsden in August 2021.
- AVA6000 IND approved by FDA.
- Pre-clinical milestones achieved in LG Chem Life Sciences partnership, triggering milestone payment.
- Dr Fiona McLaughlin appointed as Chief Scientific Officer of the Therapeutics Division.
- Multiple appointments to the Therapeutics Scientific Advisory Board.

- ALS-6000-101 dose escalation to 2<sup>nd</sup> cohort (120mg/m<sup>2</sup>).
- 2<sup>nd</sup> pre|CISION™ drug candidate, AVA3996, selected for pre-clinical development with potential for a FIH clinical trial 2H 2023/1H 2024.
- Co-location of research and clinical development teams at facilities in Imperial College's White City Campus.

# Anticipated Timeline for AVA6000

**ALS-6000-101 first in human Phase I dose escalation study progressing well**



# Phase 1a Dose Escalation Study

- Up to six clinical trial sites in UK:
  - Active sites: St James' Leeds, The Royal Marsden, London and The Christie, Manchester.
  - The Beatson, Glasgow and the Freeman, Newcastle now open and screening patients.
- Starting dose with cohort 1 was 80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> AVA6000 (which is equivalent to 54 mg/m<sup>2</sup> of Doxorubicin).
- First patient dosed on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at The Royal Marsden.
- Dose escalated February 2022 to 120 mg/m<sup>2</sup> and second cohort progressing well.
- US IND approved by FDA in November 2021:
  - Two US clinical trial sites being initiated and should contribute to the dose escalation phase.



# Phase 1a Dose Escalation Study



## Primary Objectives:

- To evaluate the safety and tolerability of AVA6000.
- To determine the maximum-tolerated dose (MTD) (if one is reached) and/or the Recommended Phase 2 Dose (RP2D) for the dose expansion phase.

## Secondary Objectives:

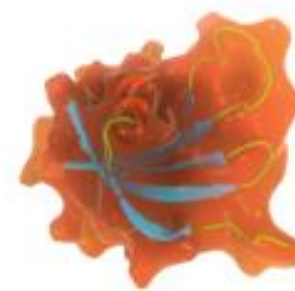
- To characterise the pharmacokinetics (PK) in plasma, urine and tumour of AVA6000, of the preCISION leaving group, and of active metabolites (doxorubicin and doxorubicinol) when given as monotherapy, after a single dose and after multiple dosing.
- To evaluate the initial anti-tumour activity of AVA6000 according to RECIST.1.1 criteria (overall response rate [ORR], duration of response [DoR], disease control rate [DCR] progression free survival [PFS] and overall survival).



# Affimers – Novel Biological Entity

- Affimer biotherapeutic protein scaffold is based on human Stefin A, an intracellular protease inhibitor.
- Small size: 14 kDa, 1/10th the size of an antibody.
- Small, highly soluble and stable, and easily formatted for half-life extension, multi-specifics and drug-conjugates.
- Affimer strategy is two-fold:
  1. Exemplify platform with PD-L1 bispecifics (cytokines; LAG3)
  2. Explore novel TME targets with multi-formats.
- Therapeutics Research Day planned for November 2022 will provide an opportunity for a full update on all programmes including the Affimer programmes.

Affimer®



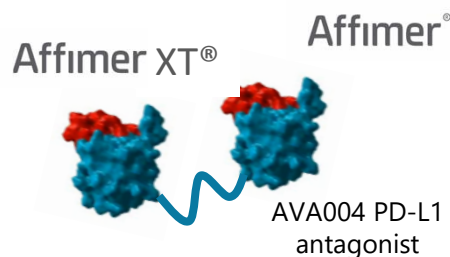
Two binding loops each consisting of 9 amino-acids to create a target recognition surface

# Key Partnerships Update



- (2018) multi-target agreement to develop Affimer® therapeutics in several disease areas.
- (2020) partnership expanded to include Avacta's Affimer XT™ technology for serum-half life extension.
- (2021) LG has successfully carried out certain in vivo studies with a PD-L1/XT molecule and is taking that asset into pre-clinical development which triggered an undisclosed milestone payment to Avacta in September 2021.
- Successful pre-clinical development of the PD-L1/XT asset will trigger further development milestones during 2022.
- Potentially first Affimer therapeutic to enter clinical trials.

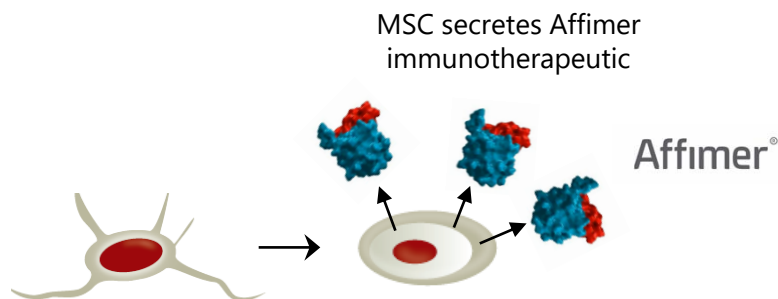
Human serum albumin  
binder half-life extension



# Key Partnerships Update



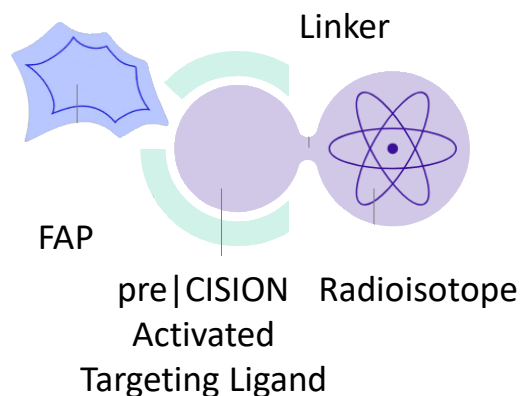
- (2020) JV (AffyXell) developing next generation cell and gene therapies incorporating Affimer proteins.
- The cell and gene therapy market is expected to grow from \$4.39B in 2020 to \$15.48B by 2025.
- (2021) AffyXell Series A funding of \$7.3m to achieve key pre-clinical milestones.
- (2021) Affimer molecules successfully generated against first two targets by the Avacta Therapeutics team.
- Current focus is on finalising in-vitro and in-vivo efficacy data pack of engineered MSCs to support next funding round.



# Key Partnerships Update



- (Jan 2021) Freedom to operate license granted to Point Biopharma to provide access to Avacta's pre|CISION™ technology for the development of FAP-activated radiopharmaceuticals.
- Agreement provides POINT with an exclusive license to pre|CISION technology for the development of FAP activated, PSMA targeted radiopharmaceuticals, and a non-exclusive license to the pre|CISION™ platform for the development of a broader pipeline of small molecule FAP-activated radio-pharmaceuticals.





## **Transformation from a services based model to a fully integrated ISO13485 accredited in vitro diagnostic products business**

- License agreement with Astrea Bioseparations (“Astrea”) for the use of the Affimer platform in affinity purification applications.
- ISO13485 certification attained during 2021 and scope extended in April 2022.
- First ever CE approval obtained for an Affimer-based IVD product (AffiDX<sup>®</sup> SARS-CoV-2 antigen lateral flow test) for professional use, and subsequently for consumer self-testing.
- Establishment of AffiDX<sup>®</sup> brand for all future Affimer-powered IVD products via launch of AffiDX<sup>®</sup> SARS-CoV-2 antigen lateral flow test.
- Update on the performance of the AffiDX<sup>®</sup> SARS-CoV-2 antigen lateral flow test (‘LFT’) against the Omicron variant and decision to pause sales whilst the high performance of the test experienced with all previous variants is achieved for Omicron.

**Uniquely positioned UK diagnostics company with proprietary Affimer immunodiagnostics technology to address key unmet market needs and drive competitive advantage and shareholder value**

- Maintain a strong decentralised (Point of care) testing focus reflecting a key market trend.
- Focused on developing a broad IVD product portfolio to serve the professional use and consumer home-test market.
- Leveraging the technical benefits of the Affimer platform to provide improved product performance and gain competitive advantage.

## Infectious Diseases

- Respiratory diseases (e.g. COVID19, Flu A/B)
- Sexually transmitted diseases
- Sepsis/Bloodstream infections
- Antimicrobial resistance
- Congenital infections

## Chronic Disease Monitoring

- Cardiac disease (e.g. heart failure, AMI, stroke)
- Diabetes (e.g. HbA1c)
- Therapeutic drug monitoring

## Health Screening

- Cancer markers
- Thyroid function
- Liver function
- Kidney function
- Heart function

## Fitness and Well-being

- Hormones (e.g. cortisol, testosterone)
- Women's health
- Vitamins
- Iron
- Cholesterol

## **2020/21 was a transformational period with the transition of the Therapeutics Division to clinical stage and the launch of the first Affimer® IVD product**

### **Therapeutics – the key value driver for the Group**

- AVA6000 pro-doxorubicin: Conducting Phase 1a dose escalation study (in UK and with IND approved for US sites) with expected read-out in late Q3.
- Multiple clinical and pre-clinical development milestones anticipated through 2022/23 from in-house and partnered programmes.
- Therapeutics Research Day in November 2022 – date to be announced.

### **Diagnostics**

- ISO13485 certified IVD product development and commercialisation business.
- Development of IVDs with a focus on decentralised testing markets.
- Re-development of the antigen test as part of a much broader diagnostic product pipeline.
- Planning a Diagnostics Research Day in Q1 2023.

### **Corporate**

- Sale of Avacta Animal Health to Vimian Q1 2022.
- Appointment of Dr Mark Goldberg and Dr Christina Coughlin as Non-executive Directors.
- Strong balance sheet to complete key Phase 1a study and support core businesses through mid-2023.



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Preliminary Results for the Period  
Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

# Preliminary Results for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021: Income Statement

	2021 (£m)	2020 (£m)
Revenue	2.94	2.14
Gross profit	2.02	1.18
Research costs	(13.48)	(9.11)
Manufacturing costs	(2.14)	-
Admin costs	(8.14)	(5.93)
Amortisation/Depreciation/SBP	(7.34)	(4.95)
Operating loss	(29.08)	(18.81)
Net financial costs	(0.11)	(0.05)
Taxation	2.82	2.46
Discontinued operation	0.06	(2.49)
Retained loss	(26.31)	(18.89)
Loss per share	10.57p	7.27p

# Preliminary Results for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021: Segmental Analysis

**Affimer<sup>®</sup>**  
pre|CISION<sup>™</sup>

	Diagnostics (£m)		Therapeutics (£m)		Animal Health (£m)	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
<b>Income Statement</b>						
Revenue	0.78	0.52	2.16	1.63	1.60	1.49
Gross profit	0.56	0.20	1.46	0.98	1.10	1.00
Research costs	(3.67)	(2.46)	(9.82)	(6.65)	(0.04)	(0.07)
Manufacturing costs	(2.14)	-	-	-	-	-
Admin costs	(2.89)	(2.52)	(1.89)	(1.70)	(0.92)	(0.97)
Amortisation/Dep'n/SBP	(2.31)	(1.82)	(3.93)	(1.59)	(0.07)	(0.28)
Impairment charge	-	-	-	-	-	(1.74)
Operating (loss)/profit	(10.45)	(6.60)	(14.18)	(8.96)	0.07	(2.06)
<b>Investment</b>						
Plant and equipment	0.54	0.71	0.60	0.56	0.02	0.05

# Preliminary Results for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021: Cash Flow and Balance Sheet

	2021 (£m)	2020 (£m)
Operating activities	(21.52)	(14.07)
Working capital	(1.13)	0.73
Tax and interest	2.15	2.70
Investment	(1.31)	(21.90)
Financing	0.23	51.65
Net cash (outflow)/inflow	(21.58)	19.11
Cash and short-term deposits	26.19	47.91
PPE ( <i>inc. IFRS16 property leases</i> )	4.34	4.79
Intangible assets	7.93	9.42
Other net assets/(liabilities)	2.76	(0.19)
Net assets	41.22	61.93