

## **Investor Presentation**

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## **Company Snapshot**

- Stock code ASX: NEU market cap approximately A\$250 million
- Developing treatments for chronic and acute neurological conditions
  - Large markets with no therapies currently available
  - Potential for abbreviated regulatory pathways and orphan drug designation
- Fully funded through to completion of Phase 2 trials in 4 different indications
  - Rett syndrome results successfully demonstrated clinical benefit
  - Fragile X syndrome, Concussion, Traumatic Brain Injury will report results in H2 2015
  - Cash reserves A\$21 million
- Key strategic relationships
  - US Army Medical Research & Materiel Command
  - International Rett Syndrome Foundation
  - Fragile X Research Alliance
  - Fragile X Drug Validation Initiative



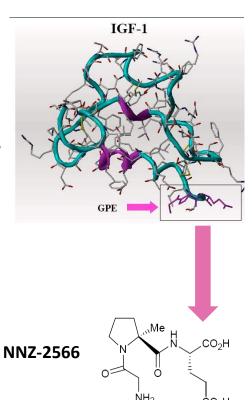
## Strategy

- Demonstrate the therapeutic benefit of NNZ-2566 in human subjects in both acute and chronic conditions
- Potential to establish a "gateway" to autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders
- Criteria for selecting therapeutic targets
  - Significant unmet need and commercial opportunity with no approved drugs
  - Regulatory advantages eligible for Fast Track, Orphan Drug, Breakthrough Therapy
  - Strong support from advocacy groups and other stakeholders
- Realising value
  - Generate clinical data with NNZ-2566 in Phase 2 clinical trials
  - Advance pre-clinical development of NNZ-2591
  - Optimise manufacturing process for commercial product supply
  - Maintain dialogue with potential partners



### Scientific Foundation

- □ **IGF-1** is a naturally occurring growth factor in the brain
- □ Glypromate (**GPE**) separates from IGF-1 in the brain
- □ IGF-1 and GPE maintain and restore equilibrium in the brain
- **NNZ-2566** is a synthetic analogue of GPE with a longer half-life, better stability and suitability as an oral medication
- NNZ-2566 influences the processes in impaired development and injury of the brain
  - Inflammation
  - Microglial function
  - Synaptic plasticity (inter-neuronal communication)
- **NNZ-2591** is in the same class of peptides, with higher bioavailability and potential for a solid oral dosage form
- NNZ-2566 and NNZ-2591 each potentially treats a wide range of neurological conditions





## NNZ -2566 Clinical Strategy

## **ACUTE**

(Inflammatory)

Moderate to severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

Mild TBI (Concussion)

## **CHRONIC**

(Neurodevelopmental)

Rett syndrome

Fragile X syndrome

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# NNZ-2566 in Rett syndrome

- □ Mutation in a gene on the X chromosome 1 / 10,000 females (20,000 USA)
- Most physically disabling of the autism spectrum disorders symptoms include:
  - Intellectual disability, loss of speech and motor control
  - Compulsive hand movements
  - Disorders of breathing and cardiovascular function
  - Muscle rigidity
  - Seizures
  - Older individuals tend to have more severe symptoms



- No approved treatments available and very few in development
- NNZ-2566 in Rett syndrome
  - Successful Phase 2 trial in adults and adolescents
  - Fast Track designation granted by the FDA, applications submitted for Orphan Drug and Breakthrough Therapy





### Phase 2 trial outline

- Double-blind, placebo-controlled dose escalation Phase 2 trial at 3 US hospitals of two dose levels of NNZ-2566:
  - 35 mg per kg of body weight twice daily
  - 70 mg per kg of body weight twice daily
- 56 subjects aged 16 to 45 years randomized, with 53 subjects completing the trial
  - Cohort 0 (9 patients): 35 mg/kg vs. placebo, 14 days of treatment, post-treatment follow-up at Day 28
  - Cohort 1 (18 subjects): 35 mg/kg vs. placebo, 28 days of treatment, post-treatment follow up at Day 40
  - Cohort 2 (29 patients): 70 mg/kg vs. placebo, 28 days of treatment, post-treatment follow up at Day 40
- Primary endpoint- safety and tolerability of NNZ-2566 compared with placebo
- 6 core efficacy outcome measures group and individual analyses
- Other exploratory efficacy measures



## Results highlights

- Achieved primary endpoint both dose levels of NNZ-2566 were well tolerated after 28 days of treatment and no safety concerns were identified
- Higher dose (70mg/kg twice daily) exceeded the pre-specified criteria for improvement in core efficacy measures compared with placebo
- ☐ The clinical benefit in the trial encompassed core symptoms of Rett syndrome and was observed in both clinician and caregiver assessments
- Efficacy results after only 28 days treatment in a profoundly ill population exceeded Neuren's expectations
- Meeting with FDA expected in H1 2015 to discuss further development
- Applications for both Orphan Drug and Breakthrough Therapy designation submitted to FDA in December 2014
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# Results - safety

- Adverse events recording, laboratory measurements and physical observations
- Dose-dependent and time-dependent patterns were not observed in the adverse events reported during the trial
- No consistent dose-dependent trends in observations or laboratory measurements were detected
- Four serious adverse events were reported
  - all were deemed unrelated to treatment
  - two occurred after the treatment period had completed
  - one subject discontinued treatment following two serious adverse events, although the events were deemed unrelated to treatment



# Results – core efficacy measures

- 6 core efficacy measures in 4 efficacy domains, including clinician assessments and caregiver assessments specific to Rett syndrome signs and symptoms
- The pre-specified criteria for evidence of clinical benefit in the analysis of the mean responses for treatment groups required improvement in at least 2 core outcome measures from 2 different efficacy domains, with no clinically significant worsening in all other core endpoints.
- Higher dose (70mg/kg) compared with placebo exceeded this requirement at day 26:
  - 3 measures from 3 different efficacy domains achieved the target Motor-Behavior Assessment Change Index, Clinical Global Impression of Improvement and Caregiver Top 3 Concerns
  - No clinically significant worsening in the remaining 3 core endpoints
- 70mg/kg dose also achieved the requirement in the subject-level efficacy analysis:
  - Changes in all 6 core outcome measures for each subject were combined in an efficacy score
  - Mean efficacy scores were then compared with placebo



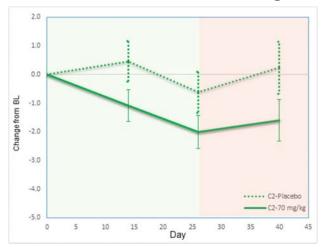
## Results – core efficacy measures (continued)

- Lower dose (35mg/kg) showed improvement in core efficacy measures, but magnitude less than the pre-specified target
- Both doses showed trends of increasing effect with duration of treatment
- Clinical benefit encompassed core symptoms of Rett syndrome and was observed in both clinician and caregiver assessments
- The probability of observing this degree of clinical benefit both in the group-level and subject-level analyses and no clinically significant worsening in any endpoint purely by chance (the "false-positive" rate) was determined by permutation testing as 2.3% (p=0.023)

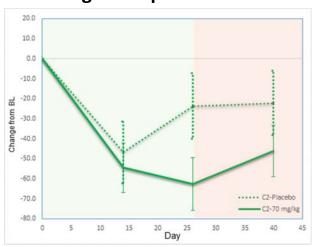


### Results – core efficacy measures that met target

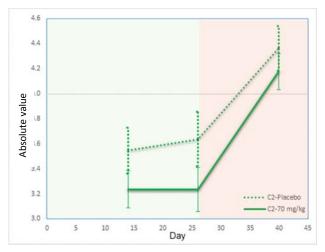
#### **Motor Behavior Assessment Change Index**



#### **Caregiver Top 3 Concerns**



### **Clinical Global Impression of Improvement**

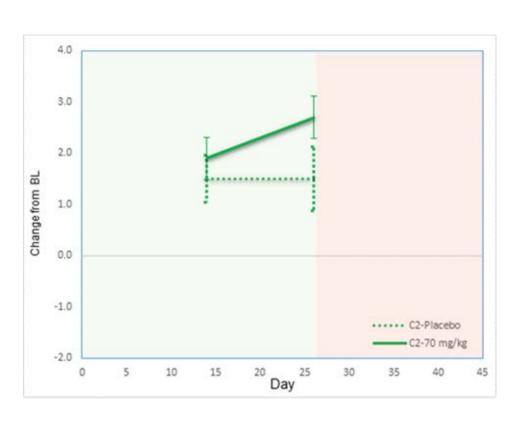


- Solid line is 70mg/kg, dotted line is placebo
- The two different shaded areas indicate the treatment period and the period post-cessation of treatment
- A negative value on the y-axis indicates benefit

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## Results – core efficacy measures that met target

#### Mean subject-level efficacy score



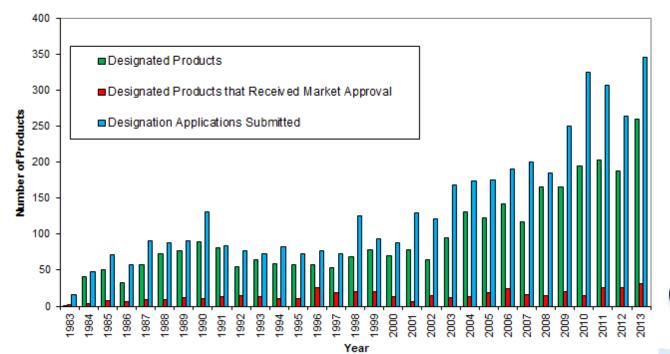
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# "Orphan drug" designation

- FDA may grant "orphan drug" designation to a drug to treat a rare condition provides 7 years of marketing exclusivity following approval, as well as other incentives
- Neuren received orphan drug for Fragile X syndrome and has applied for Rett syndrome
- Pharma companies increasingly pursuing orphan drugs

Number of Orphan Drug Designation Applications, Designations, and Approved Orphan Products by Year





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# "Breakthrough Therapy" designation

- Intended to streamline drug development and review of innovative new medicines that address unmet medical needs for serious diseases or conditions
- The criteria for breakthrough therapy require preliminary clinical evidence indicating that the drug may demonstrate a substantial improvement over existing therapies on at least one clinically significant endpoint
- Commitment that FDA will work closely with the sponsor and give intensive guidance on an efficient drug development program
- Rolling review of marketing application
- FDA will respond to Breakthrough Therapy applications within 60 days after submission



## NNZ-2566 in Fragile X syndrome

- Mutation on the X chromosome affecting both males and females 1 / 4,000 males and 1 / 6,000 females (58,000 USA)
- ☐ The most common inherited cause of intellectual disabilities and the most common known cause of autism symptoms include:
  - Intellectual disabilities
  - Anxiety and unstable mood
  - Seizures (approximately 1 in 4)
  - Attention deficit, hyperactivity and autistic behaviour
- Phase 2 trial in males aged 14-45 with Fragile X syndrome
  - Safety and efficacy of treatment with two dose levels of oral NNZ-2566 for 28 days
  - Approximately 60 subjects targeted to complete the trial
  - Top-line results expected in H2 2015
- "Fast Track" and "Orphan Drug" designation granted by the FDA





## NNZ-2566 in Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

- > 1.5 million head injuries annually in the US alone; >75% are mild (Concussion)
- Leading cause of death and disability, especially in young and elderly
- Serious health and economic effects of Concussion in sporting codes
- Partnership funding of ~US\$25 million by US Army
- Phase 2 trial ("INTREPID") in moderate to severe TBI
  - Safety and efficacy of treatment with intravenous NNZ-2566 for 72 hours
  - 260 subjects to be enrolled in US trauma centres 196 enrolled to date
  - "Fast Track" designation granted by the FDA
- Phase 2 trial in mild TBI (Concussion)
  - Safety and efficacy of treatment with two dose levels of oral NNZ-2566 for 7 days
  - 132 subjects with mild TBI to be enrolled at US military training facility
- Top-line results expected from both trials in H2 2015



# Shareholdings and Financial Position

- Fully funded through to completion of Phase 2 trials in 4 different indications
- A\$21m cash reserves at 31 December 2014

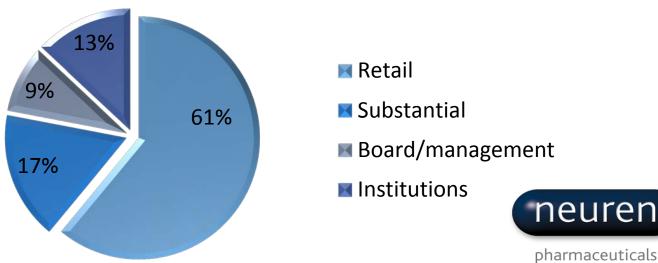
Shares outstanding: 1.63 billion

Options outstanding: 116 million (1.3 cents to 3.8 cents per share)

Closing price 8 January 2015 17 cents

52 week range:

6.4 cents – 17.5 cents



# Neuren expected milestones

Outcome of Rett syndrome Orphan Drug and Breakthrough Therapy applications H1-2015

Rett Syndrome FDA meeting H1-2015

Top-line results for Fragile X Phase 2 H2-2015

Top-line results for *INTREPID* H2-2015

Top-line results for Concussion Phase 2 H2-2015

