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Benevolent^{AI}



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Benevolent^{AI} *Because it matters*



Clinical-stage AI-enabled drug discovery company

Uniting artificial intelligence
with cutting-edge science to
decipher complex disease
biology and discover novel
treatments

About us

\$300m in platform investment

Board with deep expertise

across AI, drug discovery & development,
pharmaceuticals

Listed on EuroNext Amsterdam

April 2022

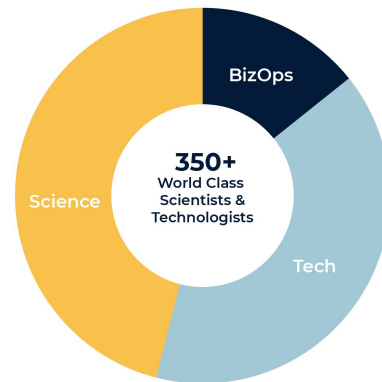
Cash runway to Q4 2024

providing sufficient capital for key value
inflection points

TEAM

as at June 2022

Full molecular biology, medicinal
chemistry and *in vivo*
pharmacology capabilities for
in-house experimentation



BOARD



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Director

The Benevolent Platform™ is scientifically and commercially validated and has already delivered:

13

Named
Platform-generated
drug programmes

1

asset in
Phase II

3

assets in
pre-IND

+10

Exploratory stage
programmes

Identified a leading
COVID-19 treatment that is
now **FDA approved**

**Successful multi-target
collaboration with AstraZeneca**
further validates our approach
with a total of **5 novel targets**
selected for AstraZeneca's
portfolio

Well funded with key
value inflection points in
the **near and medium
term**

Huge burden on society demands a new approach

96%

overall failure rate in
drug development

\$2.6bn

in average R&D and to
market cost per drug

10 years

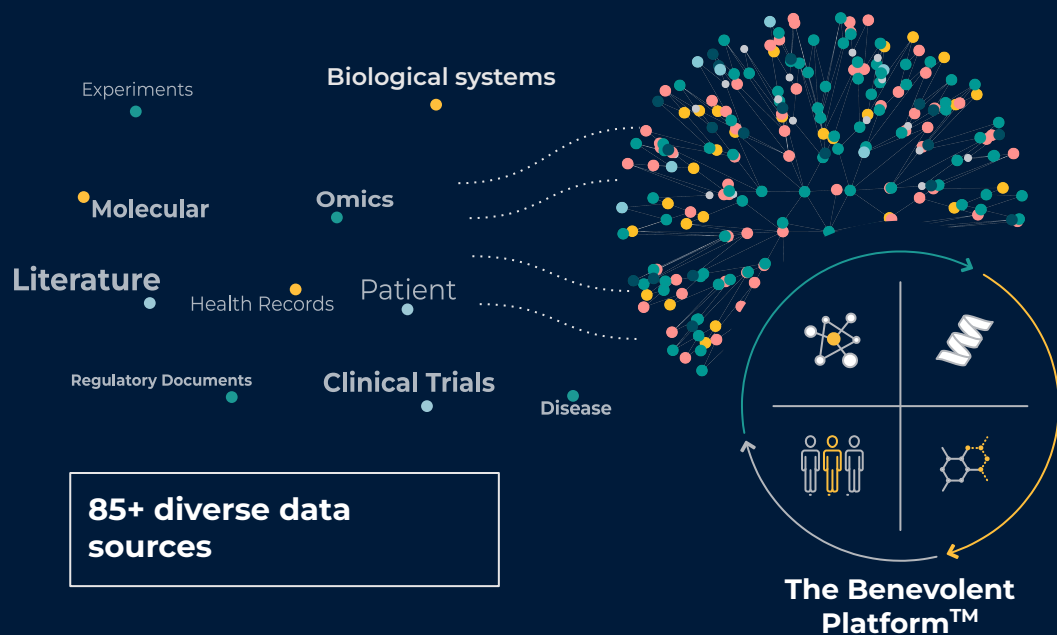
to market

30-50%

efficacy for leading drugs

Gaining a clear understanding of the **underlying molecular mechanisms of disease** based on the **totality of available biomedical data** is a vital step in the development of successful and efficacious treatments

The Benevolent Platform™: a versatile, scalable and proven AI-enabled R&D engine

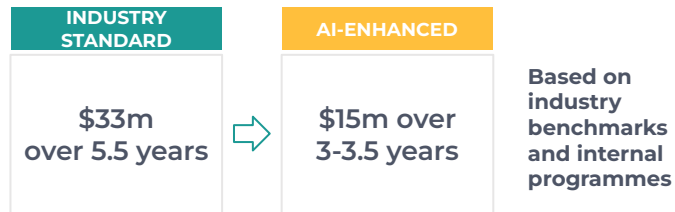


- ✓ Disease-agnostic
- ✓ Modality-agnostic
- ✓ Enables novel target ID
- ✓ Accelerates discovery
- ✓ Scalable and repeatable
- ✓ Potential to increase probability of success

The AI value proposition for pharma R&D



“Faster and cost effective”



Reduce pre-clinical cost by >50% and time to market by 2-2.5 years

Note

Lab research and target identification costs and time not captured in industry data - likely to add significantly to the industry standard time and cost

“Get it right more often”

Highest attrition is at Phase II (current 34% success rate)⁽²⁾

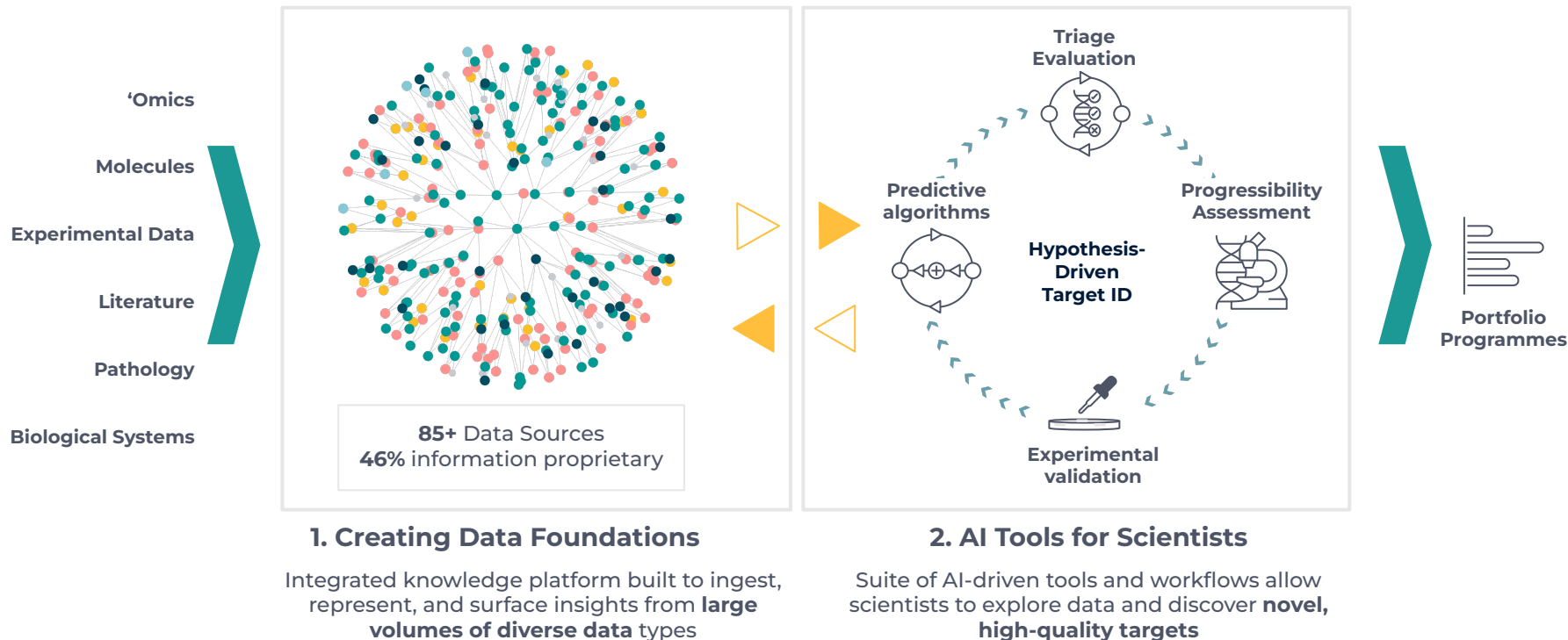
~50% Phase II/III trial failures due to **lack of efficacy⁽³⁾**

	INDUSTRY STANDARD	AI-ENHANCED (ILLUSTRATIVE)	Illustrative 25% PoS improvement at each clinical stage (Phase I-III)
PoS from Phase I to Market	12%	24%	Context <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase II trials with pre-selection biomarkers already >50% more likely to succeed⁽⁴⁾ Industry experts estimate that the use of AI can improve the PoS of each phase by up to 45%⁽⁵⁾
# Phase I Candidates Required for 1 Approved Drug	9	4	
Illustrative NPV ⁽¹⁾	c\$60m	c\$200m	

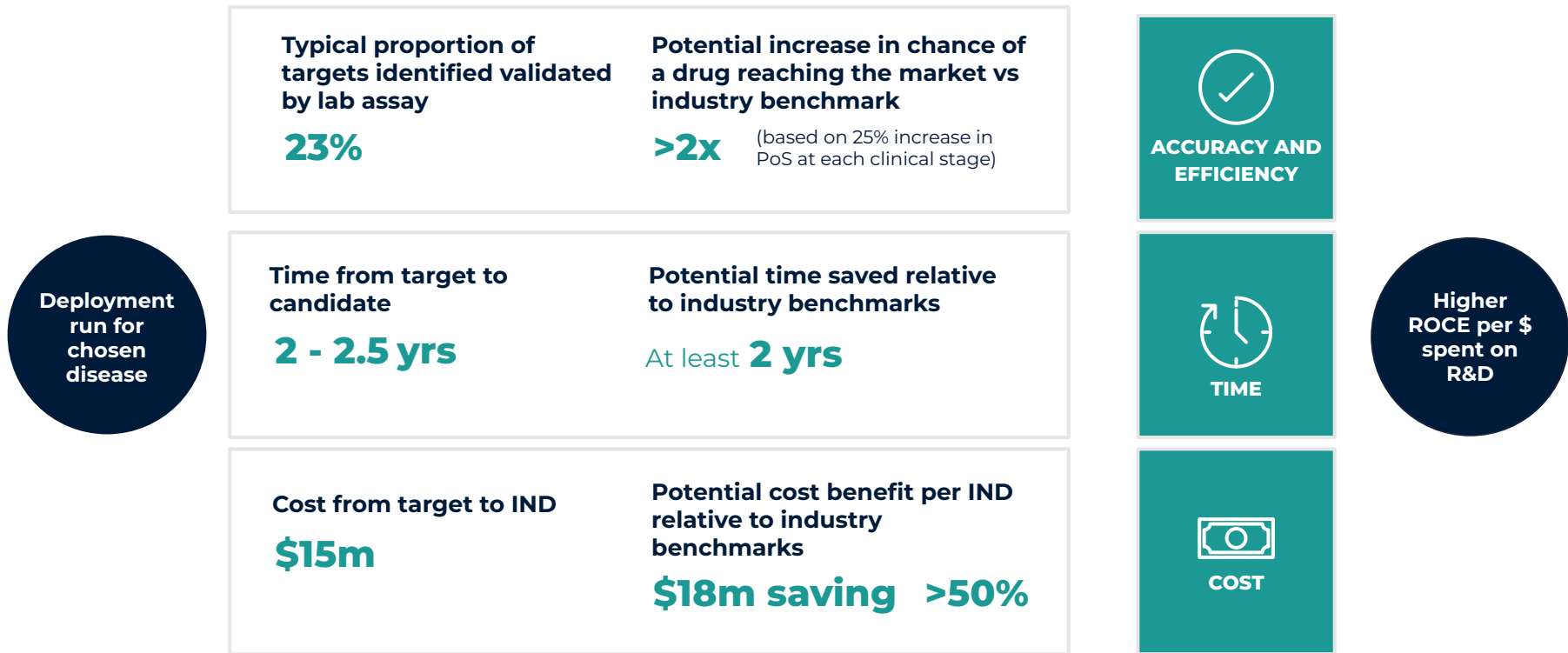
Notes and Sources: For illustrative purposes only; (i) Illustrative NPV for a theoretical \$750m peak sales drug during initial 10Y on the market (assumes (i) peak sales reached 5 years post-launch, (ii) 90% gross margin, (iii) 20% S&M expenses, (iv) 20% tax, (v) a 10% discount rate) and (vi) excludes any terminal value). (2) Based on Paul et al Nat Rev Drug Discov 2010. (3) Based on Harrison, Nat Rev Drug Discov 2016. (4) Based on Biomedtracker/Pharmaintelligence 2021. (5) Based on Odyssey Due Diligence report.

BenevolentAI technology approach

Our data foundations integrate the world's relevant and available biomedical data to surface insights through our tools, improving how scientists discover and develop new therapies



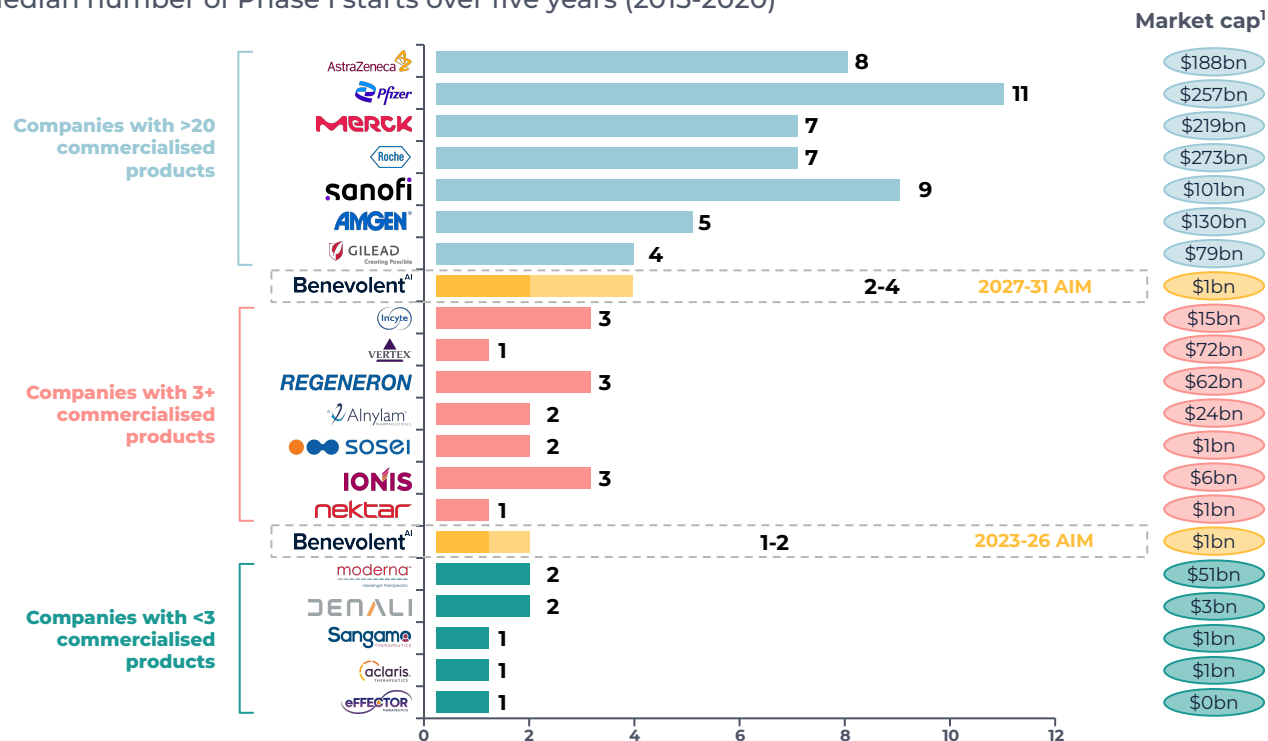
How BenevolentAI's approach compares to industry benchmarks



What that equates to: higher productivity

Number of new INDs filed by year by pharma and biotech companies

Median number of Phase I starts over five years (2015-2020)*



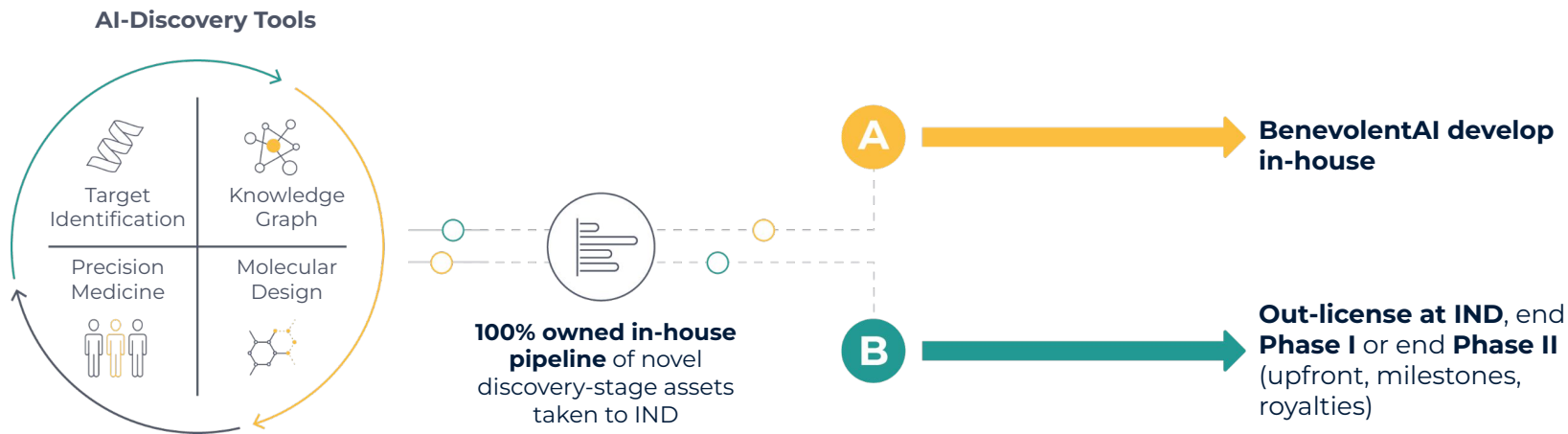
BenevolentAI potential productivity is in line with medium and large companies, but at a **fraction of the total cost.**

BenevolentAI will aim to increase the number of INDs from its Platform with incremental cost largely from development through to the clinic only

Note *IND filing rate is based on Phase I trial starts with the company as the lead sponsor. Average adjusted for companies which started clinical development during time period; ¹ Market cap as of 06 September 2022

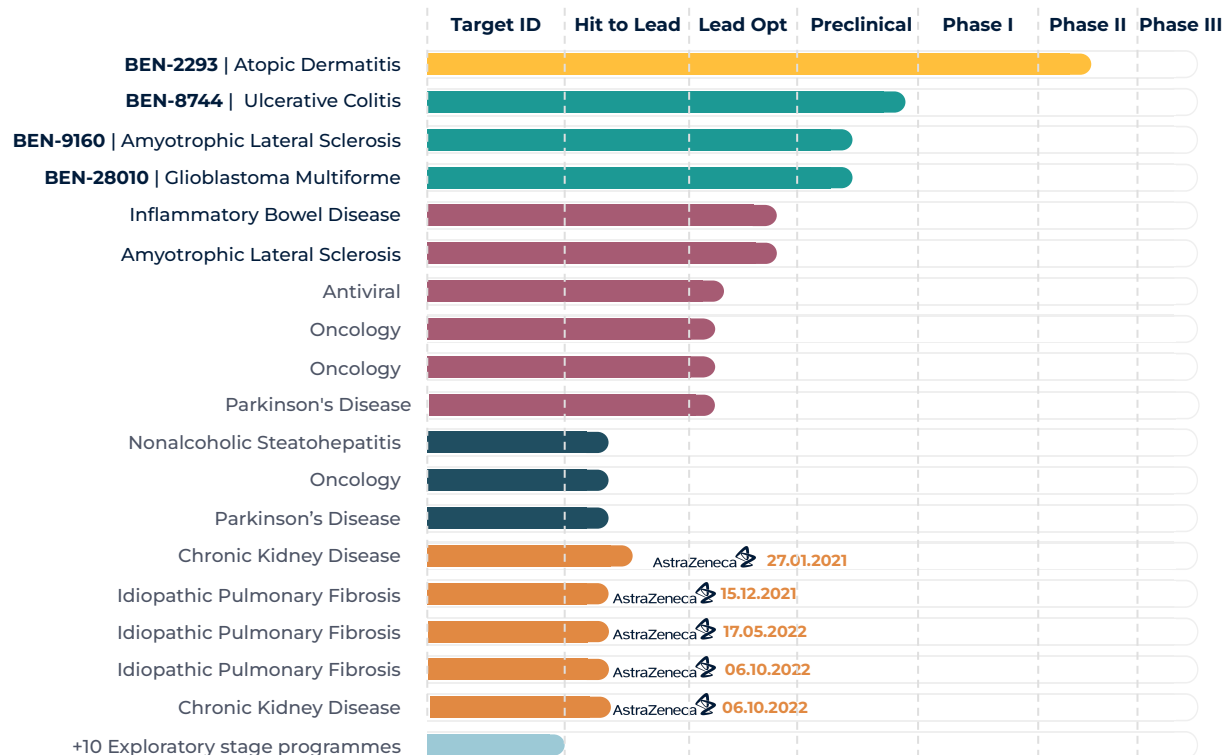
Source: clinicaltrials.gov ; Company websites; L.E.K. research & analysis

The BenevolentAI business model — leveraging our technology platform to generate new drug IP at scale



- C Pharma Collaborations:** Selective platform collaborations which can leverage the Platform in areas outside our core competencies
- ✓ Economic benefits
 - ✓ Platform validation
 - ✓ Data generated enriches the Benevolent Platform™
- D Non-commercial collaborations (DNDi, COVID-19)**
- ✓ ESG
 - ✓ Platform validation
 - ✓ Data generated enriches the Benevolent Platform™

Internal validation: pipeline generated from the Benevolent Platform™



BEN-2293 -
Phase Ib complete, **Phase IIa ongoing**

BEN-8744
Novel target - zero prior linkage to UC
2 years from target validation to
candidate selection

Broad disease coverage given platform
Balance of risk between “**best in class**”
and “**first in class**” drug candidates

Strategic validation: successful collaboration with AstraZeneca

Multi-year Target-ID collaboration is delivering multiple, novel targets for complex diseases with high unmet need

- ✓ Separate data environment established to integrate AstraZeneca's data into a **bespoke Knowledge Graph**
- ✓ BenevolentAI and AstraZeneca teams working in **close collaboration** to explore, identify and validate targets
- ✓ Deal structure of **upfront license fee**, milestone payments and downstream royalties
- ✓ Collaboration enables BenevolentAI to enrich its platform via the data generated as part of the collaboration but also further validate the use of our AI platform



THERAPEUTIC AREAS

INITIAL DEAL (APRIL 2019)



Chronic kidney disease (CKD)



Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF)

EXPANSION (DEC 2021)



Heart failure



Systemic lupus erythematosus

KEY MILESTONES

To date, **five novel targets** have been validated & selected for AstraZeneca's portfolio



Regulatory validation: identified a COVID-19 treatment now fully approved for use by the FDA

✓ NOVEL

Our technology and AI workflows identified a **previously unknown antiviral mechanism**⁽¹⁾

✓ RAPID

The Benevolent Platform™ empowered scientists to rapidly formulate a **hypothesis in just 48 hours**

✓ EFFECTIVE

Baricitinib shown to reduce mortality from COVID-19 in randomised controlled trials: **COV-BARRIER trial showed baricitinib reduces mortality by 38%** in hospitalised patients⁽²⁾, and by **46% in ventilated or ECMO patients**⁽³⁾



FDA approved the use of baricitinib to treat COVID-19 in **May 2022**⁽⁴⁾ after first granting emergency use authorisation for baricitinib in combination with remdesivir in **Nov 2020**⁽⁵⁾

BenevolentAI published research in Feb 2020⁽¹⁾

THE LANCET

Led to equity investment from Eli Lilly



H1 2022 Highlights

- 1 Continued progress across in-house pipeline
- 2 Consistent delivery in collaboration with AstraZeneca - non-commercial collaborations progressing
- 3 Full FDA approval of COVID-19 treatment first identified by BenevolentAI
- 4 Continuous enhancement of the Benevolent Platform™
- 5 Completed Business Combination/listed Amsterdam EuroNext - raised gross proceeds of €225m
- 6 Strengthened Board of Directors and Leadership
- 7 Building Business Operations capability for long term success

1H 2022 Financial highlights

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Revenue	4,843	1,664
R&D - Drug discovery ["DD"] ¹	(19,292)	(12,957)
R&D - Product & technology ["P&T"] ¹	(10,684)	(9,940)
G&A - Business operations ["Bus Ops"] ¹	(8,074)	(7,000)
Underlying expenses related to share-based payments	(22,145)	(18,343)
Other income	72	74
Normalised operating loss	(55,280)	(46,502)
Normalised EPS (in pence) ²	(44.7)	(45.8)
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding (in millions)	100.5	89.8

Revenue increase across AstraZeneca collaboration, with a milestone reached related to the second novel target for idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis.

DD spend increase driven by portfolio advancing into later stages of development, in particular BEN-2293 entering adaptive Phase I/II clinical study.

P&T spend increase reflecting increased headcount, which is set to plateau.

Bus Ops spend +15%, driven predominantly by listing status but expected to maintain at this level.

1) Excludes exceptional costs related to the Business Combination

2) Normalised EPS also excludes taxation impact from exceptional items and finance income related to the Business Combination

Cash runway to Q4-2024 providing sufficient capital for key value inflection points

Cash Runway

Cash at 30th June 2022 £165m

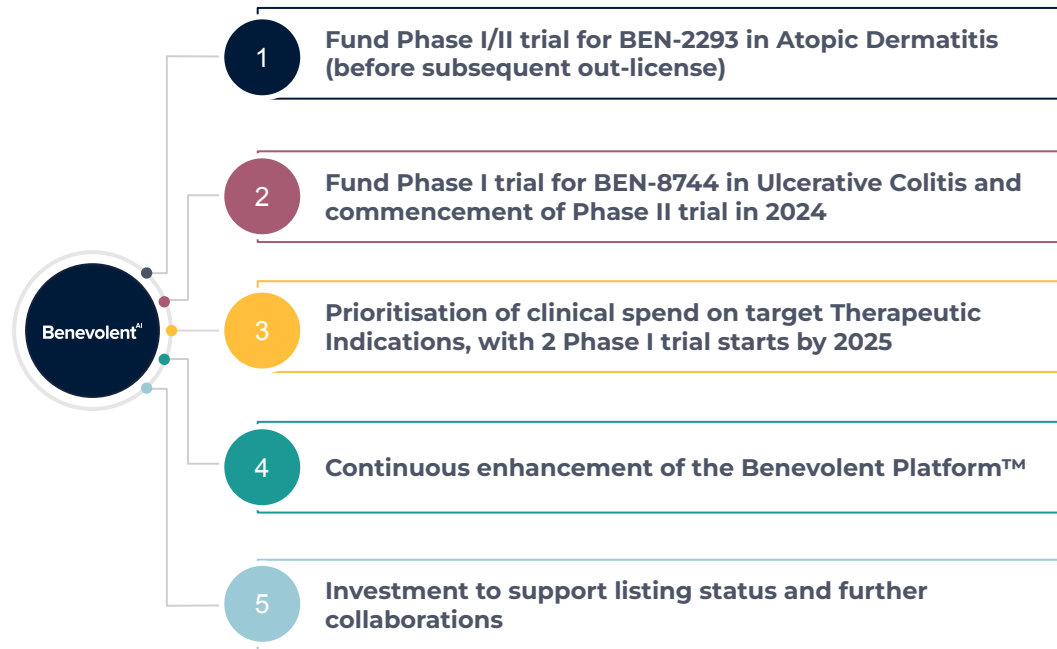
H2 2022 cash spend £36m-£40m

BEN-2293 trial costs (c.£15m) fall away in 2023

Cash runway guidance assumes no future capital from licensing or collaboration agreements

Multiple assets at or close to key value inflection points and ready for out-licensing

Capital allocation



BEN-2293 - Atopic Dermatitis (AD)

- Atopic dermatitis is the most common chronic inflammatory skin disease, characterized by intensely itchy, red, and swollen skin⁽¹⁾
 - Affects **10-20% of children** and up to **3% of adults**⁽²⁾
 - Approximately **60-70% of all cases** present with mild-moderate disease severity⁽³⁾
 - Prevalence is rising⁽³⁾, with market value in 7MM **forecast to exceed \$14 billion**^(2,4)
- Skin inflammation and chronic pruritus associated with atopic dermatitis negatively impact quality of life and psychosocial well-being⁽¹⁾
- Clear unmet need in **mild to moderate patient** segment for treatment addressing itch and inflammation, without side effects of steroids

BEN-2293: Topical best-in-class PanTrk inhibitor to relieve inflammation and rapidly resolve itch in patients with AD

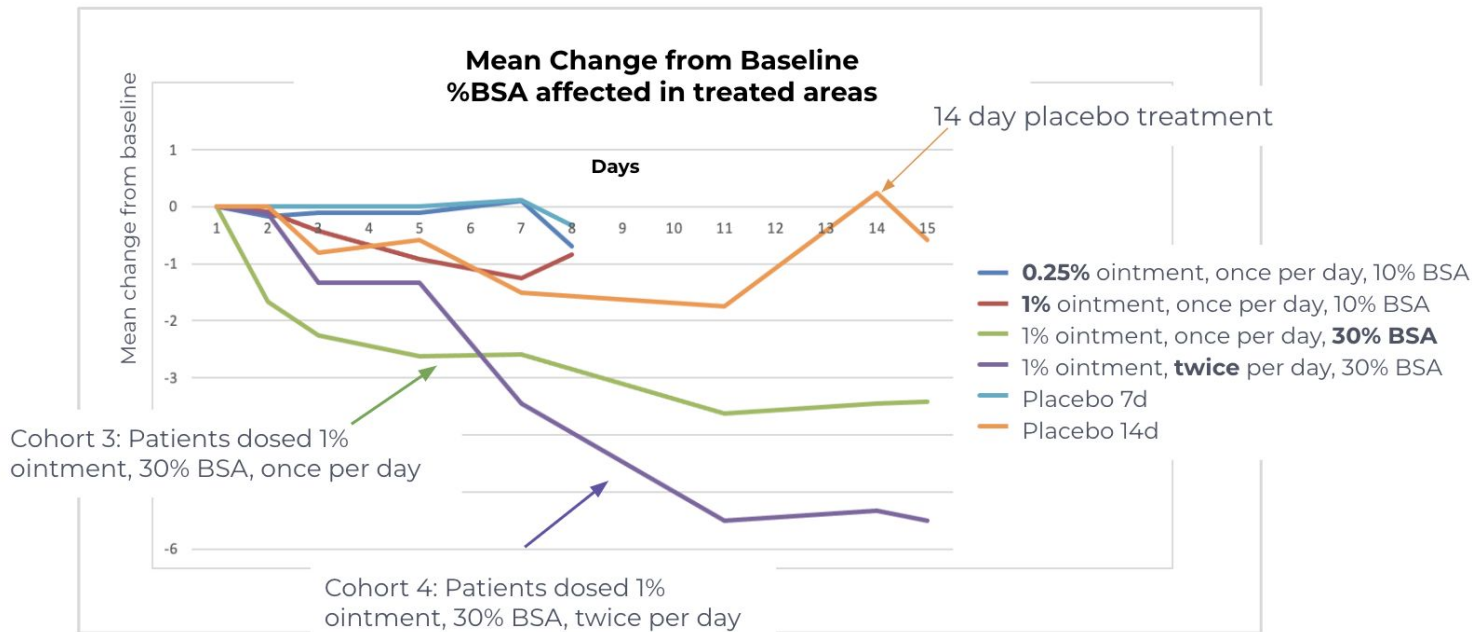
- **BEN-2293** is a **PanTrk inhibitor** targeting TrkA,B and C receptors. The Trk receptors were identified as part of an effort to find **mediators of both itch and inflammation in AD**. Using our Molecular Design expertise we were able to design a PanTrk inhibitor, equipotent against the 3 receptors
- BEN-2293 is expected to **treat atopic dermatitis** by: inhibiting **itch signaling** and blocking nerve sensitization (TrkA) in addition to inhibiting Th1 and Th2-mediated **dermal inflammation** (TrkB, TrkC)
- **BEN-2293** will target **Mild, Moderate and Severe Atopic Dermatitis patients**, addressing unmet need in the treatment of mild to moderate Atopic Dermatitis as a steroid sparing alternative and in more severe patients undergoing treatment with biologics (e.g. dupilumab) that require add-on treatment

BEN-2293 - indicative data from Phase Ib

Eczema Area and Severity Index (EASI)

Caveats:

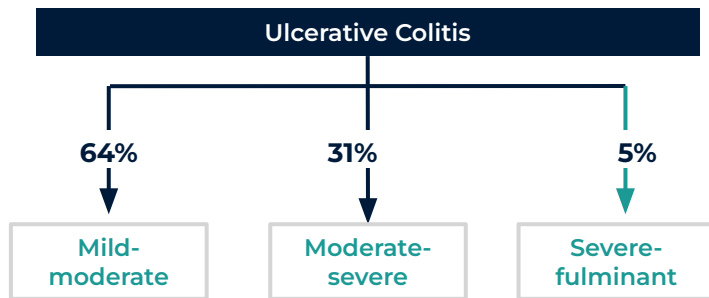
- Phase Ib was **NOT** powered to meaningfully assess efficacy - only 6 patients dosed with active per group
- Maximum duration of dosing 14 days (EASI score changes typically measured at 28 days)



BEN-8744 - Ulcerative Colitis (UC)

Affects 0.4% US population⁽¹⁾, 1.7 million patients in 7MM⁽¹⁾, forecast \$7.8bn market by 2026⁽²⁾

- **A chronic, lifelong disease** that causes inflammation and ulceration of the inner lining of the colon and rectum
- **Efficacy** - 20-40% of Moderate-severe patients do not respond to anti-TNF (main treatment paradigm)⁽³⁾
- **Safety** - Treatments have many side effects — from steroids to anti-TNF and JAK inhibitors (black box warnings)⁽⁴⁾
- High unmet need for an alternative **oral** small molecule treatment option with **improved safety profile** and efficacy in treatment of **refractory patients**



BEN-8744: Oral, peripherally-restricted, PDE10 inhibitor under development as a first-in-class treatment for refractory UC

- **Phosphodiesterase 10 (PDE10)** was identified by our TargetID platform as **an entirely novel target for the treatment of UC/IBD**
- Using our Molecular Design expertise we optimally designed a best in class peripherally restricted PDE10 inhibitor: **BEN-8744**
- **BEN-8744** is expected to provide an efficacious disease modifying oral treatment for UC/IBD
- **BEN-8744** will target **Moderate and Severe UC/IBD patients**, meeting the unmet need left by existing therapies including:
 - Patients refractory to anti-TNFs or other biologics
 - Improved safety and tolerability profile compared to competitors
 - A Precision Medicine approach to target key responder patient cohorts, avoiding the safety risks associated with ineffective therapies

Target validation in colon tissue from ulcerative colitis patients

Inflamed colonic mucosa biopsies from UC patients

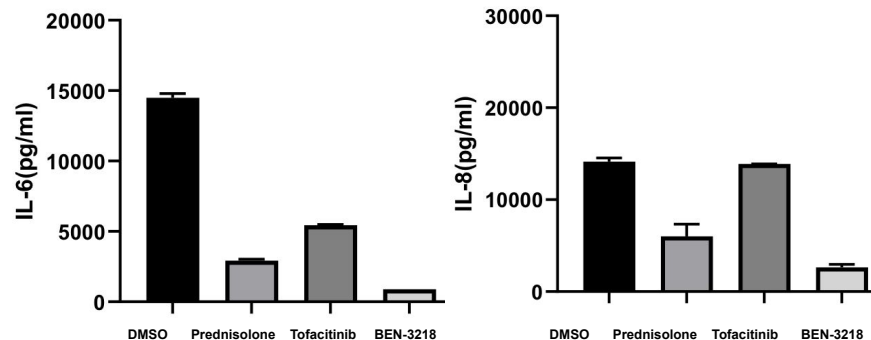
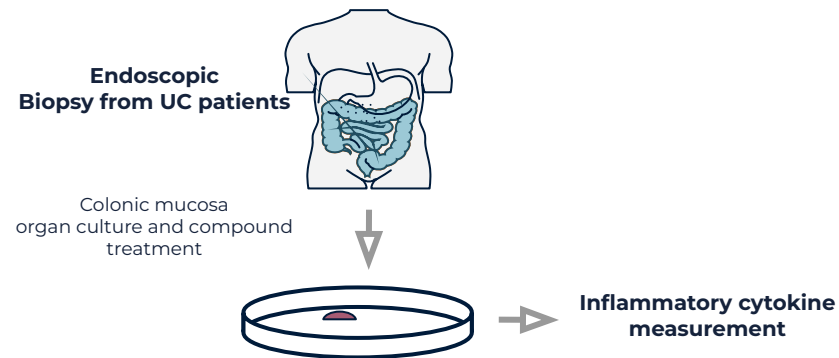
- Disease phenotype retained with high basal cytokine release
- Readouts: IL6 and IL8 - key mediators of UC pathology

Tissue samples treated with:

- Target-selective tool compound (BEN-3218)
- Positive controls – prednisolone and tofacitinib

Selective target inhibition showed comparable reduction of IL-6 and IL-8 to the positive controls

Validated as a target with a novel mechanism of action for ulcerative colitis



BEN-8744 results and progress to date



TARGET IDENTIFICATION

Novel target for UC

- ✓ Discovered using Benevolent **TargetID tools**
- ✓ PDE10 has **zero linkage to UC** in all available biomedical literature
- ✓ Experimentally **validated in ex-vivo** UC colon samples from patients refractory to SoC treatment

CHEMISTRY

Rapid and efficient lead optimisation

- ✓ **Molecular Design tools** enabled rapid and efficient lead optimisation
- ✓ **Candidate nominated in Sep '21**
Novel, potent, selective, peripherally restricted PDE10. Inhibitor, with low dose prediction
- ✓ Only **2 years** from programme initiation

CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT

Developing responder and progression endotypes

- ✓ We will develop responder and progression endotypes, **adding molecular descriptors**
- ✓ These will inform our trial design, **patient selection** and further target identification in UC
- ✓ Augmenting a further loop of iteration on an enriched graph

Poised for growth and success

Strengthened financial position enhances our leadership position in AI-enabled drug discovery and enable us to:

- ✓ **Independently pursue the clinical development** of certain **in-house pipeline** assets in core therapeutic areas
- ✓ **Out-license multiple assets** over the next 1-3 years to strengthen our balance sheet and drive long term value creation
- ✓ **Increase the size of our pipeline** with a healthy balance of new first-in-class and best-in-class assets with 1-2 CTA / IND-stage drug candidates every year
- ✓ **Sign new collaboration agreements** with pharma companies to leverage our disease agnostic capabilities into therapeutic indications outside our focus areas, to generate incremental revenue
- ✓ **Maintain our leading position in Target ID** through increased investment in our technology capabilities
- ✓ **Build out our technology metrics** to exemplify the differentiation of our approach

Appendix

Benevolent^{AI} • Investment Highlights



Market leader in AI drug discovery with scientifically and technologically differentiated approach



Robust IP with patents on drug pipeline and copyright and trade secrets on our technology platform



Significant platform scale and internal capability



Flexible business model with revenue opportunities to extend cash runway



Rich portfolio of drug programmes all generated from the Benevolent Platform™



Near and medium-term key value inflection points

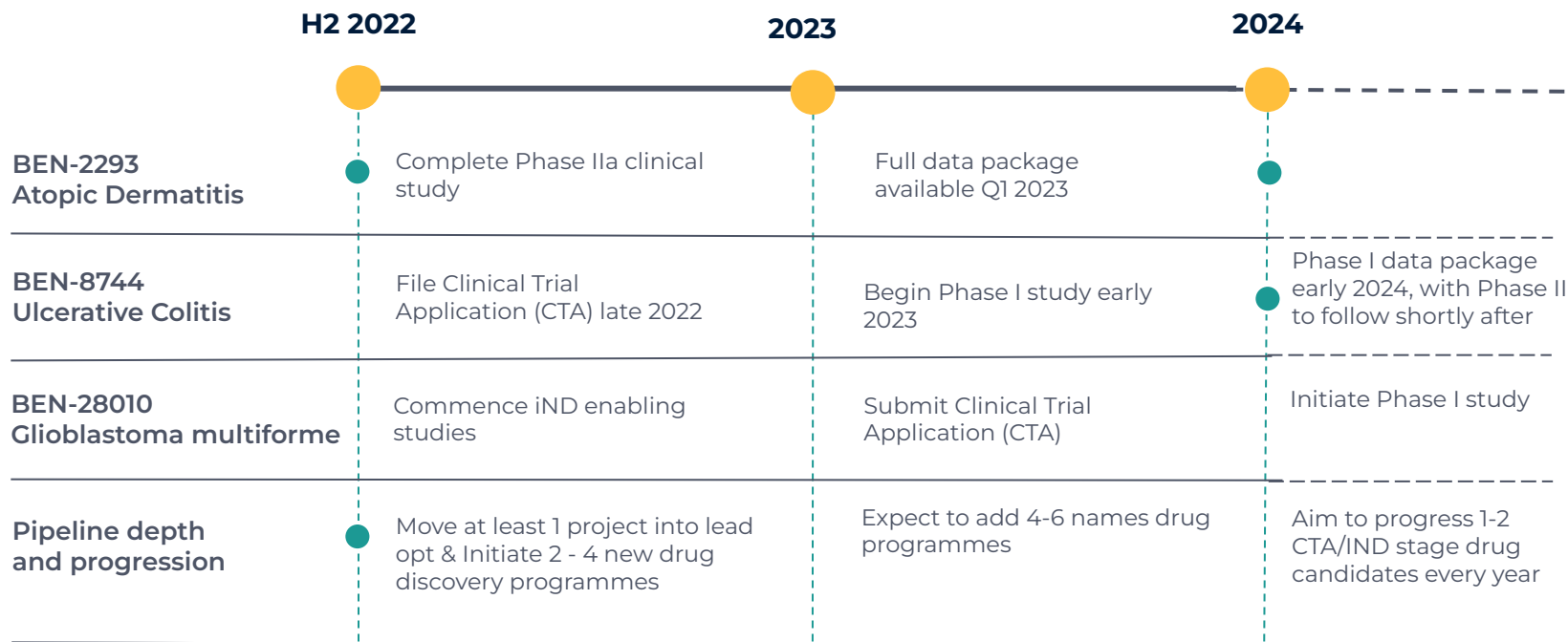


High-value and successful commercial partnership proving strategic validation



World-renowned Board and experienced leadership team

Portfolio key inflection points



Walk from Reported to Normalised¹

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Reported operating loss	(134,547)	(46,502)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
G&A - Exceptional share-based payment ("SBP") expenses	2,611	-
G&A - Direct Transaction costs	11,255	-
G&A - Non-cash listing service expense	65,401	-
Normalised¹ group operating loss	(55,280)	(46,502)

Reported loss significantly driven by non-recurring costs of Business Combination.

Non-cash exceptional costs related to acceleration of share based payments also incurred from Business Combination, and set to reduce beyond 2022.

Non-cash listing service expenses reflects cost of share issuance to Odyssey SPAC as part of Business Combination net of assets acquired (before PIPE and backstop)

¹) Excludes exceptional costs related to the Business Combination

Cashflows focused upon drug and platform development

	Six months ended 30 June
	2022
	£'000
Normalised ¹ operating loss	(55,280)
Depreciation & amortisation	1,506
Foreign exchange	(1,589)
Equity share-based payment	21,913
Cash flows from changes in working capital	(12,312)
Cash expended from underlying operating activities	(45,762)
Opening cash balance	40,553
Closing cash balance	165,338

£0.3m lab equipment; £0.1m computer; £1.1m property-related leases

£3m charge from Euro holdings, £1.8m gain from operational

Non-Transaction-related equity awards removed from the P&L (no cash impact)

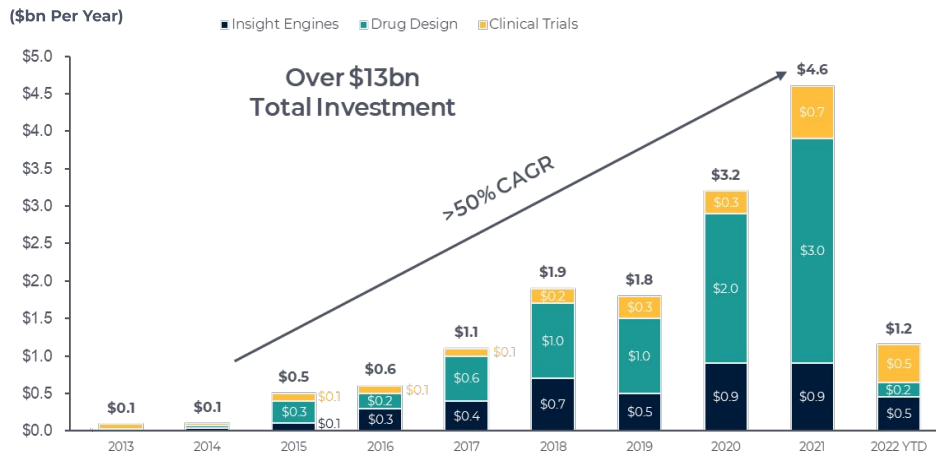
Largely driven by outstanding R&D tax credit receivable (£12m) expected in 2H and other payable decreases

End-June cash position of £165.3m provides ample liquidity to meet multiple key value inflection points

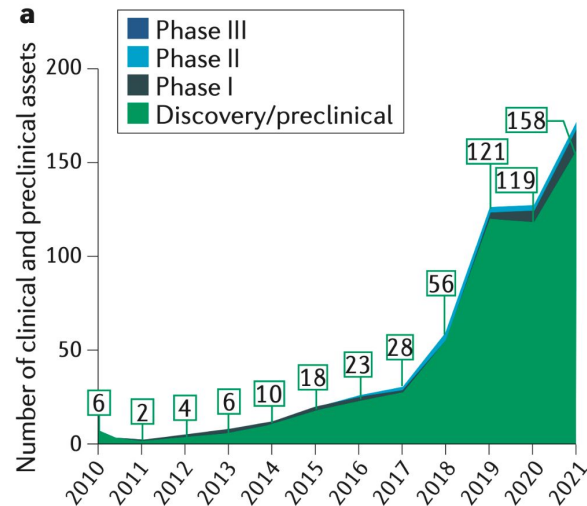
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AI is becoming a validated approach in Pharma

Significant investment fuels massive growth for the AI market in drug discovery & development



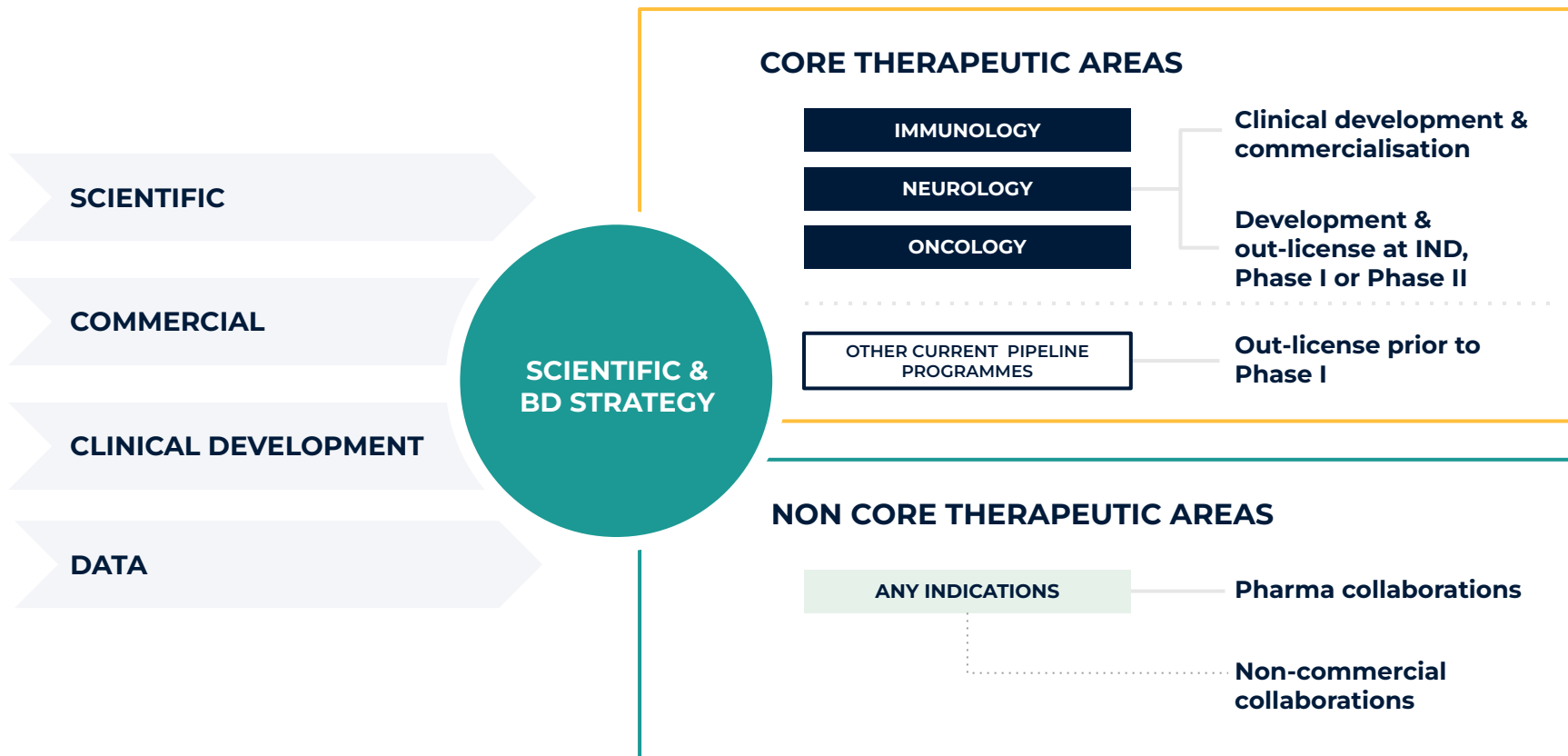
AI-drug discovery companies' internal pipelines



This progress has been underpinned by three trends - advances in machine learning techniques, greater availability of biomedical data, increase in computational power

Source: RBC Capital Markets; Emersion Insights. Capital includes funds from private investors, VC and corporate investment funds. Company Websites and press releases. Jayatunga et al. Nat Rev Drug Discov 2022: Number of annual R&D programmes and assets over time, showing the growth of AI-enabled drug discovery. Note: Categories are mutually exclusive. Investment includes equity, Partnerships/collaborations and acquisitions

Therapy area and business model rationale



Categorisation of AI/ML companies in biotech, hit & target-ID

Companies can be characterized across two key dimensions: **Original technology focus** and **drug discovery approach**

Target-ID

WHAT TARGET DO WE NEED TO HIT TO BE EFFECTIVE AND SAFE IN A SPECIFIC DISEASE (pathways, cellular processes)?

HIGH COMPLEXITY THROUGH BIOLOGY

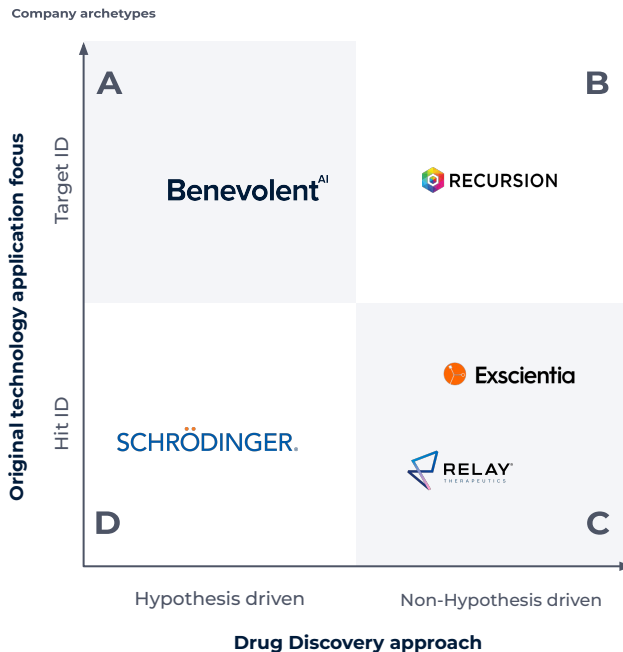
Many layers of knowledge needed, and many areas where research is not yet complete

Hit-ID

HOW DO WE NEED TO HIT THE TARGET WE HAVE IDENTIFIED (specific drug characteristics)?

HIGH COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY

Atom-to-atom interaction is relatively well known, but requires many calculations and simulations



Hypothesis driven

Involves a **data-driven hypothesis-led** approach to therapeutic target identification

Non hypothesis driven

Leverages technology to identify solutions **without specific conditions to target specified at the outset**

Pharma companies also active in the space, through **internal development** and/or **collaborations**

Figure: Oliver Wyman Analysis (listed companies only)

Source: Company Websites, Oliver Wyman Analysis

Principles and benefits of our technology approach



Industry R&D CHALLENGES

- Half of **clinical failures** due to poor understanding of disease biology/mechanisms
- **Siloed disease-specific approach** – scientists can't connect or infer shared mechanisms across diseases
- **Single modality** data - each with **limitations** and **biases**
- Often **limited understanding** of what drives lab phenotypic effects
- Much of **target discovery** is **serendipitous**, not a scalable or repeatable process

BenevolentAI's APPROACH

1 **Biology first**

2 **Comprehensive data approach**

3 **Hypothesis driven**

4 **Software based**



Benevolent Platform™



BenevolentAI BENEFITS



DISEASE-AGNOSTIC



MODALITY-AGNOSTIC



ENABLES NOVEL TARGET ID



ACCELERATES DISCOVERY

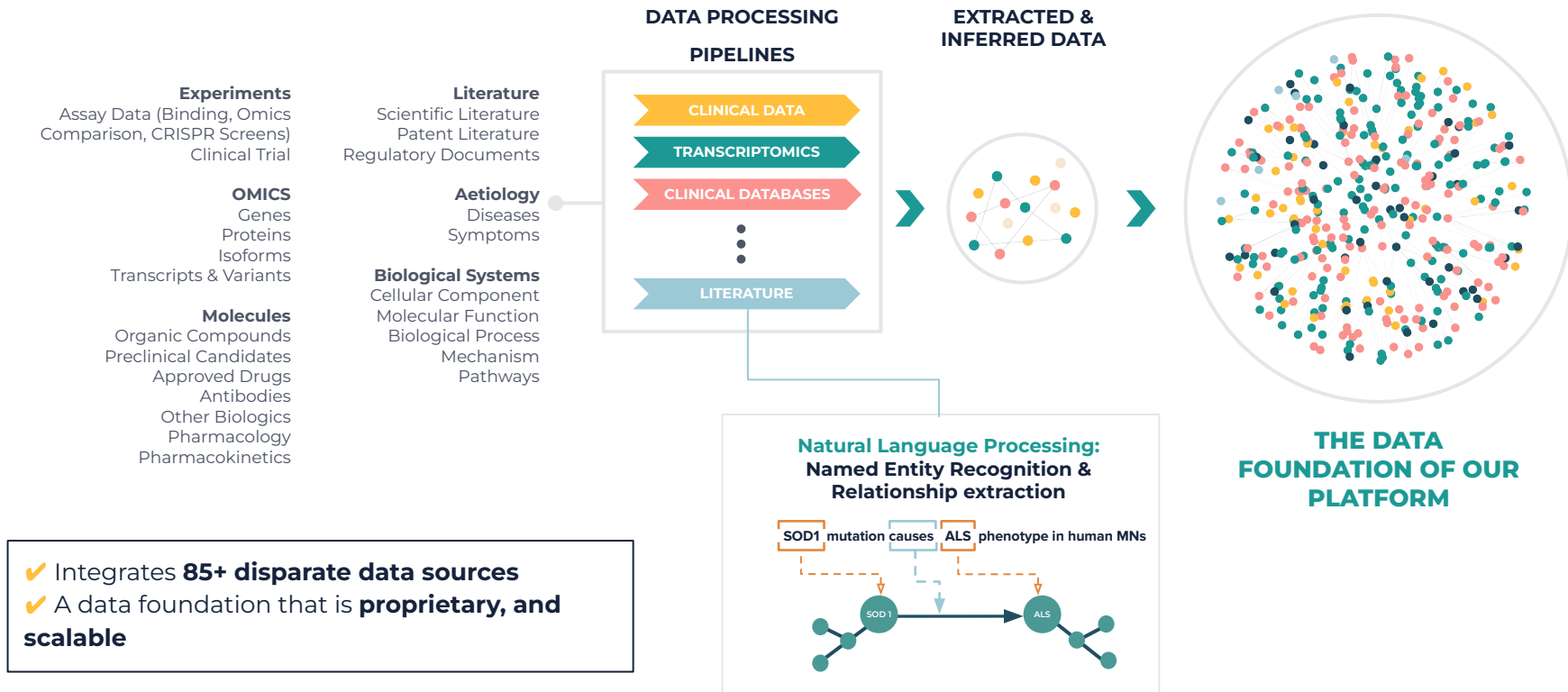


SCALABLE & REPEATABLE

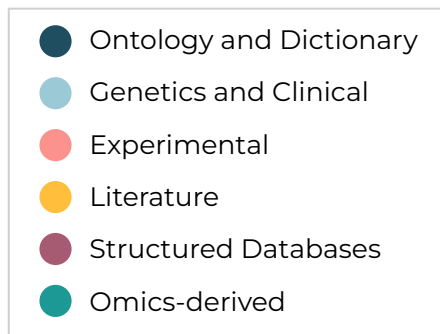
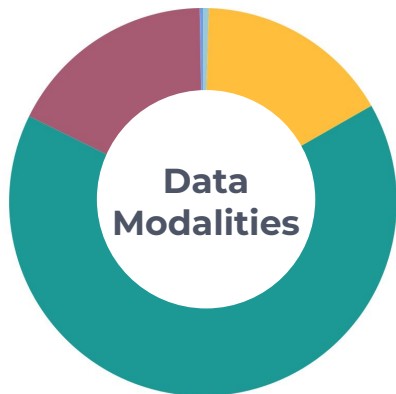


POTENTIAL TO INCREASE PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS

Data Foundations integrate diverse data types



The BenevolentAI Data Foundations, in numbers



85+

Data sources

409m

Biomedical relationships

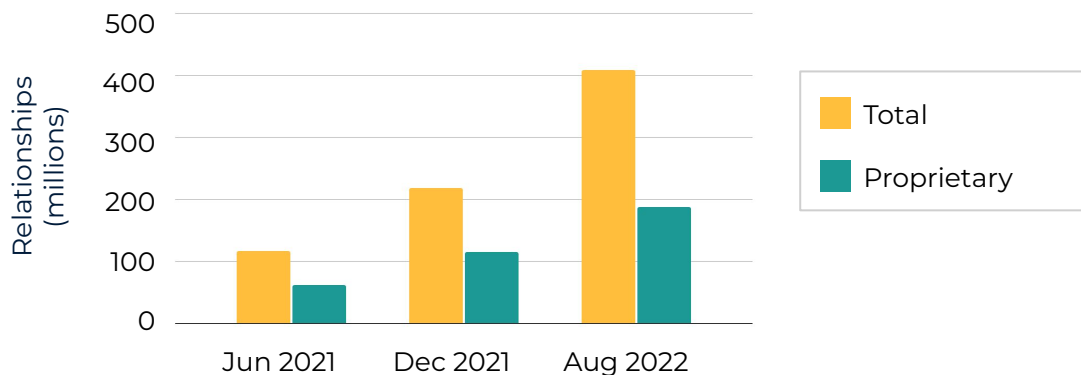
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Entity types

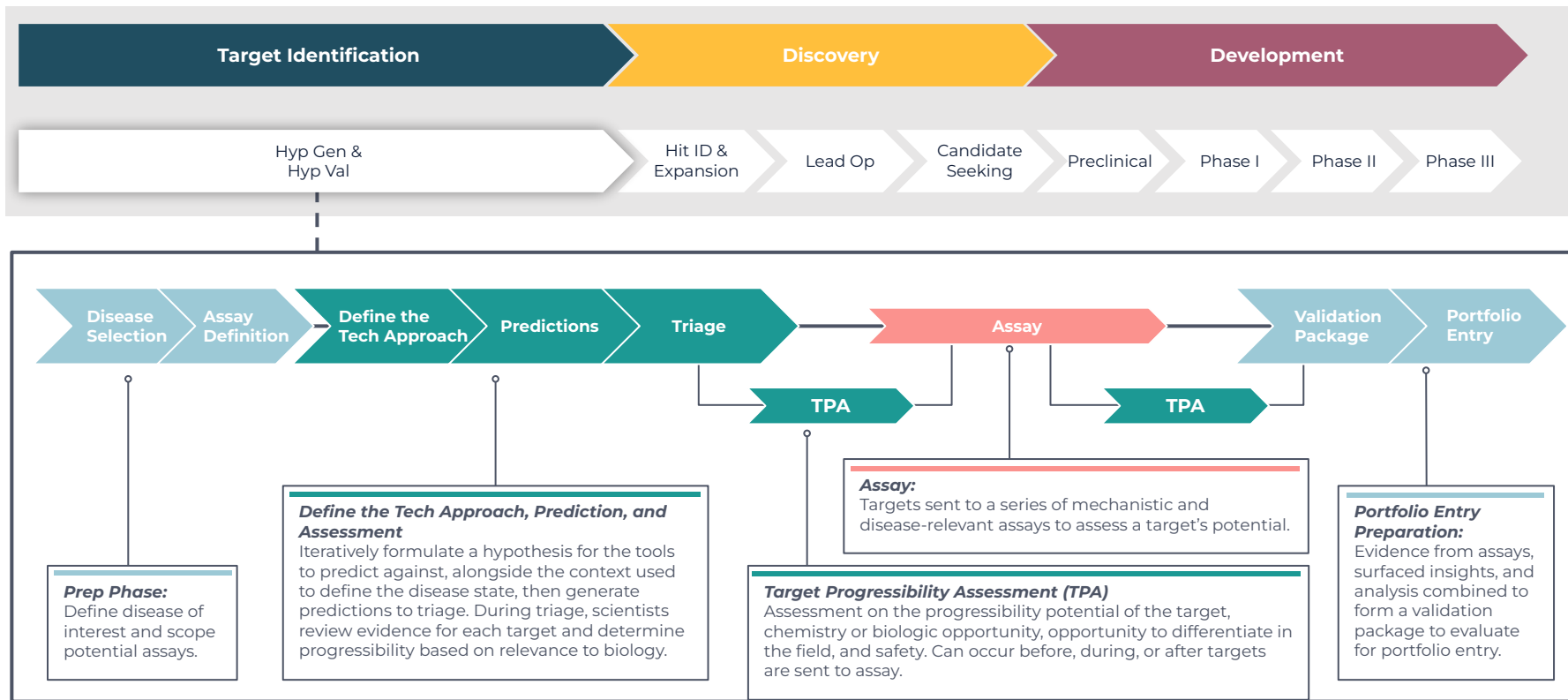
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Proprietary information

Data Volume



BenevolentAI's Target ID workflow and tools



BenevolentAI's target discovery tools and process identifies promising, novel therapeutic targets

TECH
APPROACH

PREDICT

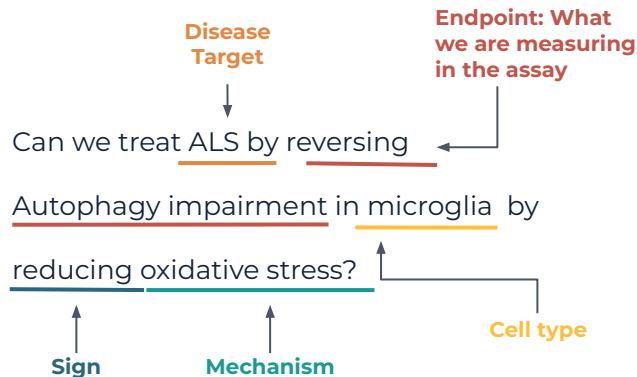
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ASSAY

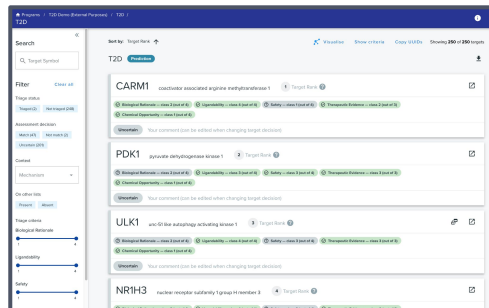
1. Define the Tech Approach

Using our in-house tools and algorithms we explore the data and **define the input to our predictive models**



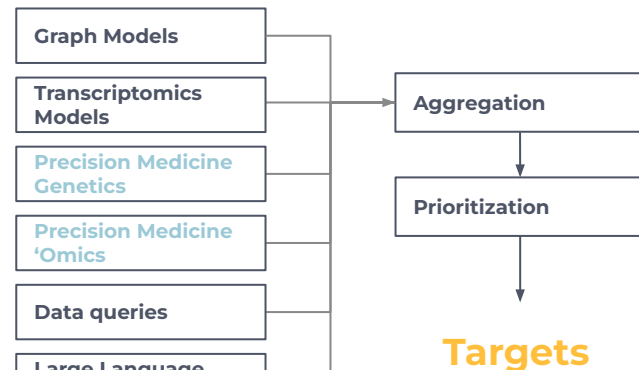
3. Triage and Assess Progressibility

Our tools aggregate and present the necessary data for scientific decision-making, progressing only the most promising hypotheses.



2. Target Prediction

Our AI algorithms, data queries, and endotype-driven workflows **identify targets** that are likely to address the tech approach.



4. Validate Experimentally

Targets sent to a series of mechanistic and disease-relevant assays to assess a target's potential.

Advanced laboratory capabilities help move programmes faster, and generate data at scale for continuous innovation

Advanced capabilities and technologies

- **Fully equipped laboratory** facilities; Biology, Chemistry, CMC, DMPK.
- **Highly experienced scientists** across all drug discovery disciplines
- In-house investment in **CRISPR**, **RNA seq** and **human iPSC** capabilities
- Robust and secure data storage capacity
- Access to the **Babraham Institute Research facility**, with state of the art High Content Imaging and FACs capabilities.
- **CROs** and **academic** collaborations complement and extend internal capabilities



Experimental capabilities enhance entire drug discovery process

- Mechanism selection, **Target identification**, target triage and experimental validation
- Refined, model-enabled **Design-Make-Test cycle**

Closing the data loop

- Experimental data from hypothesis validation workflows, portfolio projects and disease relevant **expression data** are integrated back to further **enrich the knowledge graph and our representation of human biology**

Work progresses rapidly from in-silico to in-vitro experimental test
Dynamic experimental feedback loop between scientists & technologists

BEN-2293 - Phase Ib safety and tolerability study successfully completed

Phase Ib/IIa double-blind, placebo-controlled, first-in-patient, two-part clinical study

Phase Ib



Phase Ib completed Dec 2021

8 Mild-Moderate AD patients (18-65 years) per cohort, randomised 3:1 BEN-2293:Placebo

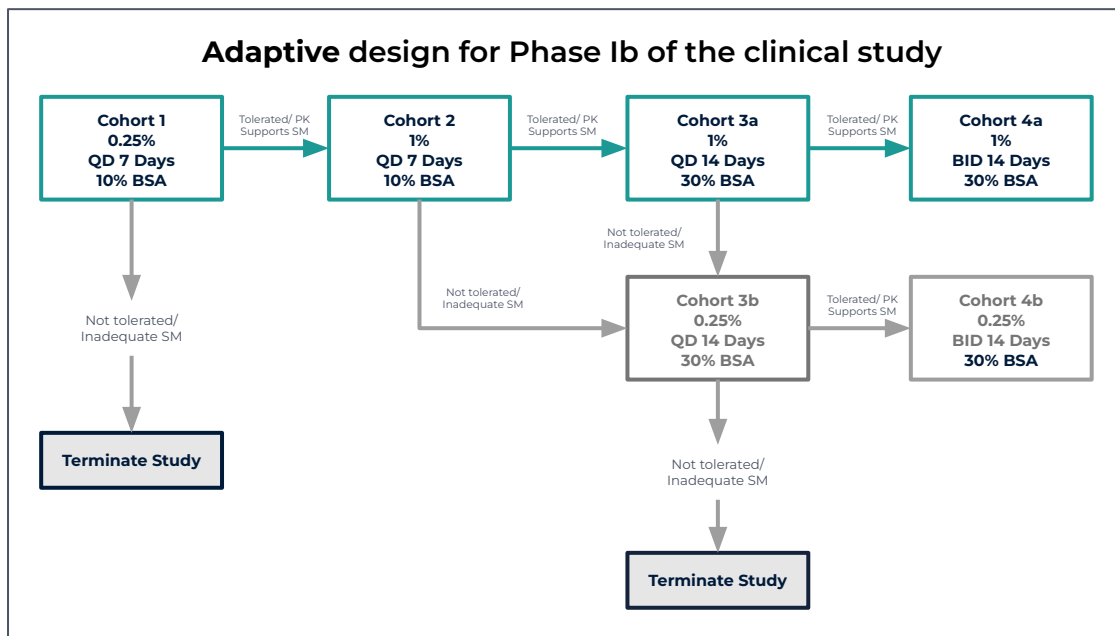
Safety, Tolerability, PK

- Adaptive multiple ascending dose cohort design
- Includes efficacy endpoints
- MALDI imaging
 - To evaluate human skin PK

Phase Ib:

✓ Successfully completed
Safety and Tolerability arm

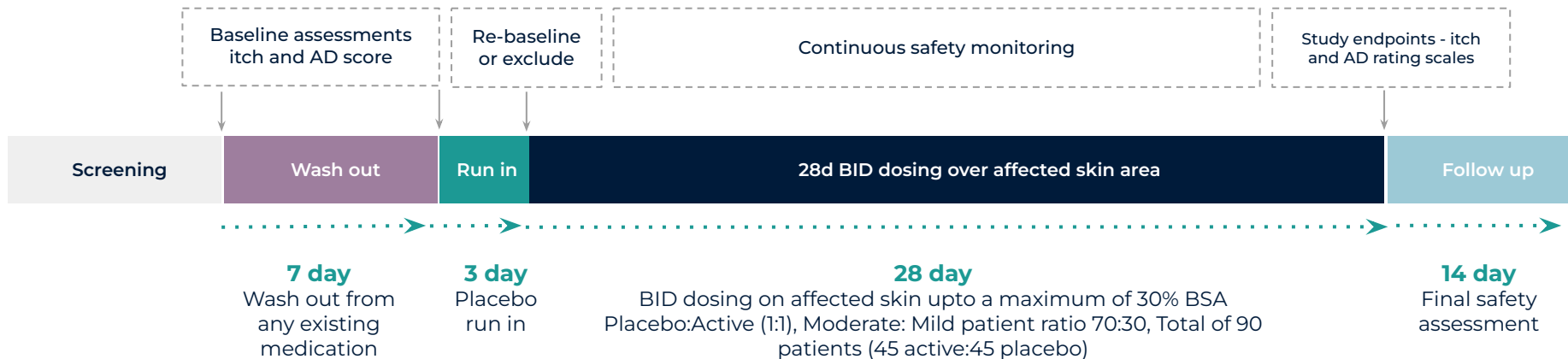
Adaptive design for Phase Ib of the clinical study



BEN-2293 - Phase IIa progressing

Phase Ib/IIa double-blind, placebo-controlled, first-in-patient, two-part clinical study

Phase IIa clinical study design



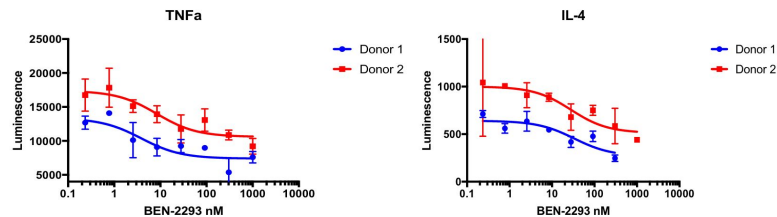
- **11 active recruiting sites**, 7 in the UK, 4 in Europe. A further 17 sites under final approval
- **Recruitment completion** anticipated 4Q22

Our intention is to partner this asset with a pharmaceutical company that has a focus in dermatology for continued clinical development and, if approved, commercialisation

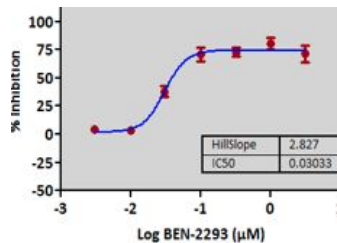
We expect BEN-2293 to provide both symptomatic relief and to reverse disease progression in atopic dermatitis

- **BEN-2293 is highly selective for Trk receptors**, with IC50 potencies in the low nM range for TrkA, B, and C
- **BEN-2293 dose dependently inhibits release of inflammatory Th1 and Th2 cytokines** TNF α , IFN γ , IL-13, and IL-4 in human peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) stimulated with an inflammatory T-cell stimulus (anti-CD3/CD28)
- **BEN-2293 inhibits the release of Calcitonin Gene-Related Peptide (CGRP)**, a mediator of itch, sensory nerve hypersensitisation and neurogenic inflammation, in dorsal root ganglion (DRG) isolated from adult rats and stimulated with NGF
- **BEN-2293 series significantly ($p < 0.05$) reduced mouse ear inflammation** following administration of PMA, significantly reducing expression of cytokines IL-1 β , IL-4, IL-6, CXCL1, MCP-1, and Tarc
- **BEN-2293 demonstrates excellent tolerability and safety margins** in IND/CTA-enabling toxicology studies

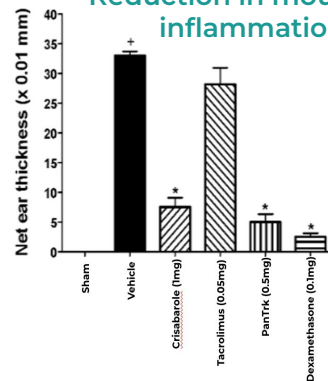
BEN-2293 Inhibition of human primary T-cell activation



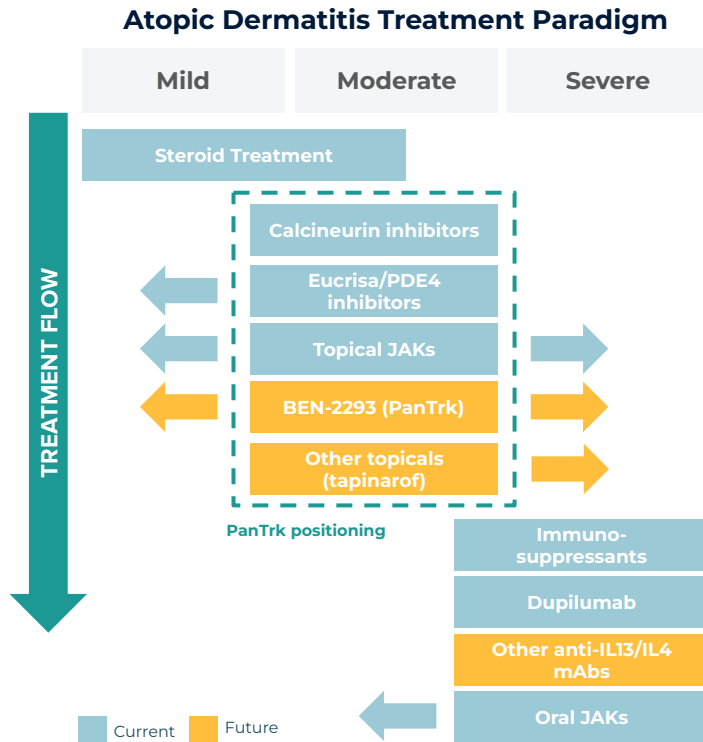
Inhibition of sensory neuron activation



Reduction in mouse ear inflammation



BEN-2293 is being developed to address key unmet needs in the treatment of Atopic Dermatitis



BEN-2293 development is targeting:

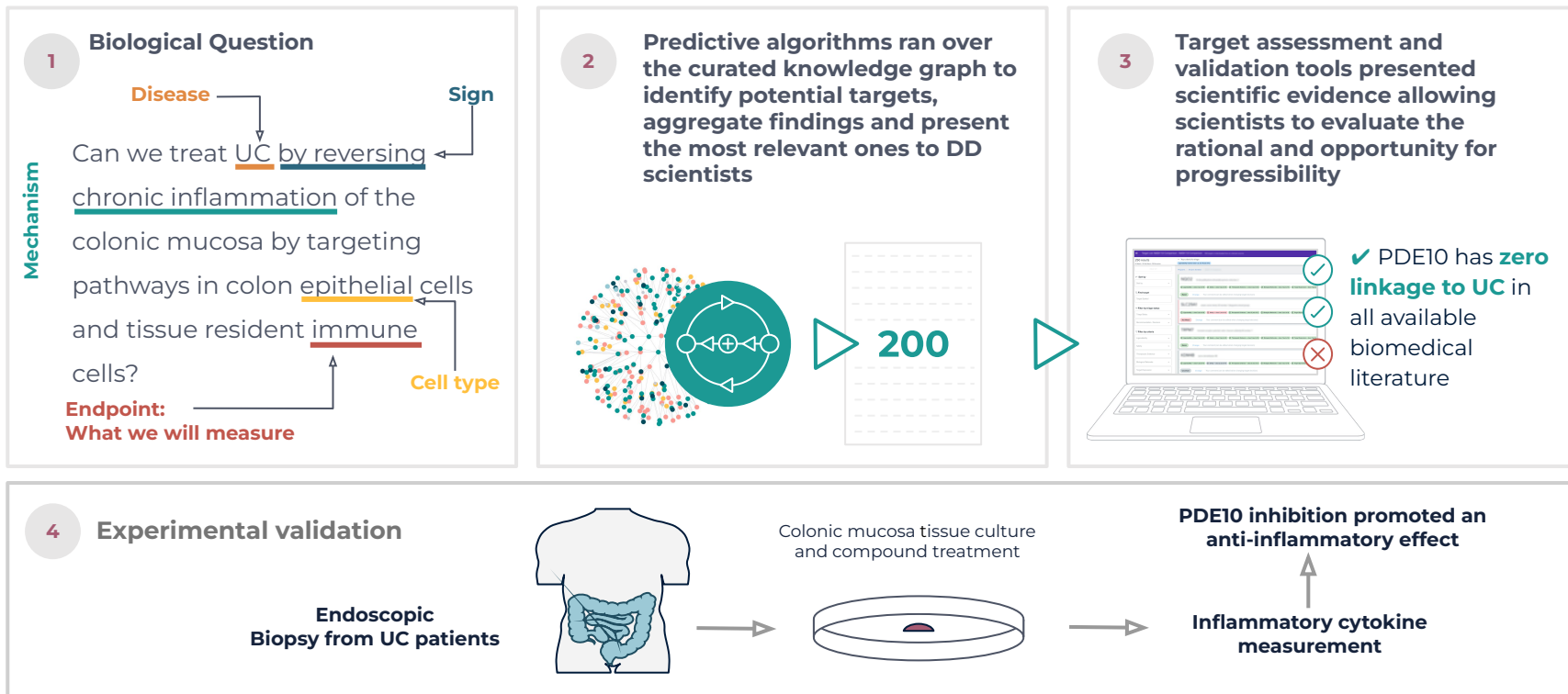
- **Efficacy** against both itch and inflammation, with potential disease modifying effects
- **Improved safety** profile, suitable for chronic use with no irritancy on application

Positioning:

- Potential to **displace ineffective and poorly tolerated second line** treatment for chronic use in adults and paediatrics
- Potential use in a subset of **first line patients where rapid itch resolution is key** and
- In the **severe patient population as an adjunct treatment option**

BEN-8744 - UC Target Identification workflow

Target Identification



BEN-8744 - Phosphodiesterase 10 (PDE10) - a novel target for UC

Transcriptomics data support the rationale for PDE10 as a novel target for UC

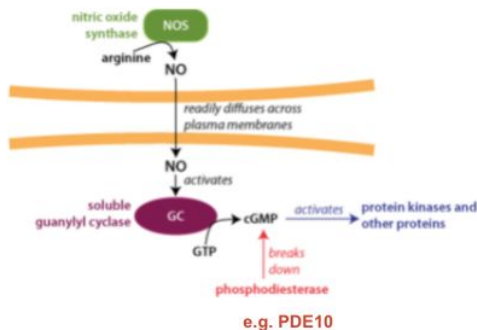
- PDE10 regulates signal transduction by hydrolysing cGMP
- PDE10 is significantly upregulated in UC-derived colon and colonic mucosa samples, whilst guanylyl cyclase, which makes cGMP, is down-regulated

Reduced levels of guanylyl cyclase correlate with increased TNF- α in UC colonic mucosa⁽¹⁾

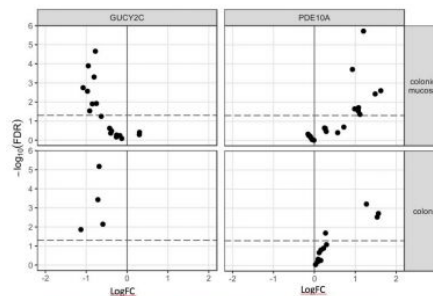
- cGMP is downregulated in UC and its expression inversely correlates to disease severity
- PDE10 is well-studied in CNS disorders but not in inflammation with zero linkage to UC

PDE10 demonstrates restricted expression in peripheral tissue

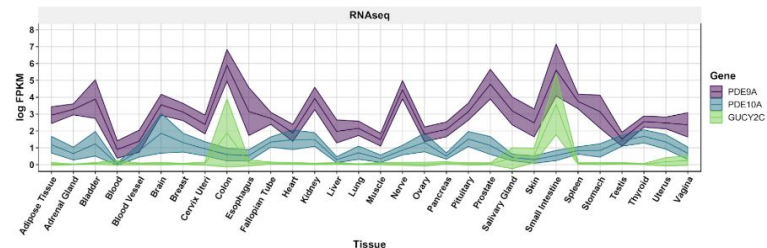
- Reduces the safety liability of targeted inhibition



PDE10 degrades cGMP

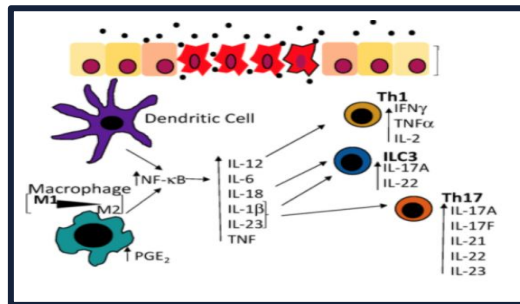


Differential RNA expression of PDE10A and GUCY2C: normal vs UC



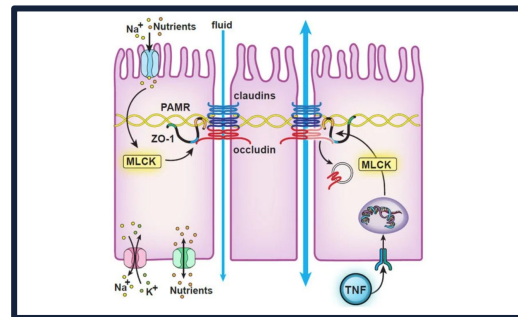
Low basal PDE10 expression, highest levels in brain. Low basal soluble guanylate cyclase (GUCY2C) levels except in colon and sm intestine

PDE10 inhibition: potential to normalise dysregulated mechanisms in IBD



PDE10 inhibition

↑ cGMP ↑ cAMP



- Reduced inflammatory cytokine release from intestinal epithelia via ↓ NFκB⁽¹⁾
- Reduced tissue-resident macrophage activation⁽¹⁾

Reduced intestinal inflammation

- Improved TJ assembly via PKG/PKA-mediated ↓ pMLC⁽²⁾
- Improved fluid/mucus homeostasis via PKG phosphorylation of intestinal CFTR⁽³⁾

Improved barrier integrity

BEN-8744 - Oral, peripherally-restricted, PDE10 inhibitor under development as a first-in-class treatment for refractory ulcerative colitis (UC)

- **Phosphodiesterase 10 (PDE10)** was identified by our TargetID platform as **an entirely novel target for the treatment of UC/IBD**
- Using our Molecular Design expertise we optimally designed a best in class peripherally restricted PDE10 inhibitor: **BEN-8744**
- **BEN-8744** is expected to provide an efficacious disease modifying oral treatment for UC/IBD
- **BEN-8744** will target **Moderate and Severe UC/IBD patients**, meeting the unmet need left by existing therapies including:
 - Patients refractory to anti-TNFs or other biologics
 - Improved safety and tolerability profile compared to competitors
 - A Precision Medicine approach to target key responder patient cohorts, avoiding the safety risks associated with ineffective therapies

An opportunity to differentiate on safety, efficacy and a precision medicine approaches

Drug	Company	MoA
Zeposia (Ozanimod)	BMS	S1P1 receptor agonist
Etrasimod	Arena	S1P1 receptor agonist
Jyseleca (Filgotinib)	Galapagos & Gilead	JAK1 inhibitor
Rinvoq (Upadacitinib)	Abbvie	JAK1 inhibitor
TD-1473	Theravance & Janssen	Pan-JAK inhibitor (gut-selective)

Safety

- S1P1 agonists are associated with immunosuppression and anaemia
- JAK inhibitors carry a black box health warning