



# Investor Webcast on Potential Commercialization of Zuranolone

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### Agenda

Presenters	Agenda
Chris Benecchi Chief Business Officer, Sage Therapeutics	Opening Remarks
Greg Mattingly, MD Associate Clinical Professor at Washington University	Fireside Chat Featuring Key Medical Expert Perspective on Unmet Need in Major Depressive Disorder (MDD)
Maha Radhakrishnan, MD Group SVP and Chief Medical Officer, Biogen	Zuranolone Clinical Experience in MDD
Alisha Alaimo President of Biogen, U.S. Organization	Commercial Opportunity in Major Depressive Disorder
Chris Benecchi Chief Business Officer, Sage Therapeutics	Planned Approach to Market Access in MDD
Chris Benecchi Chief Business Officer, Sage Therapeutics	Closing Remarks





### **Opening Remarks**

Chris Benecchi

Chief Business Officer, Sage Therapeutics



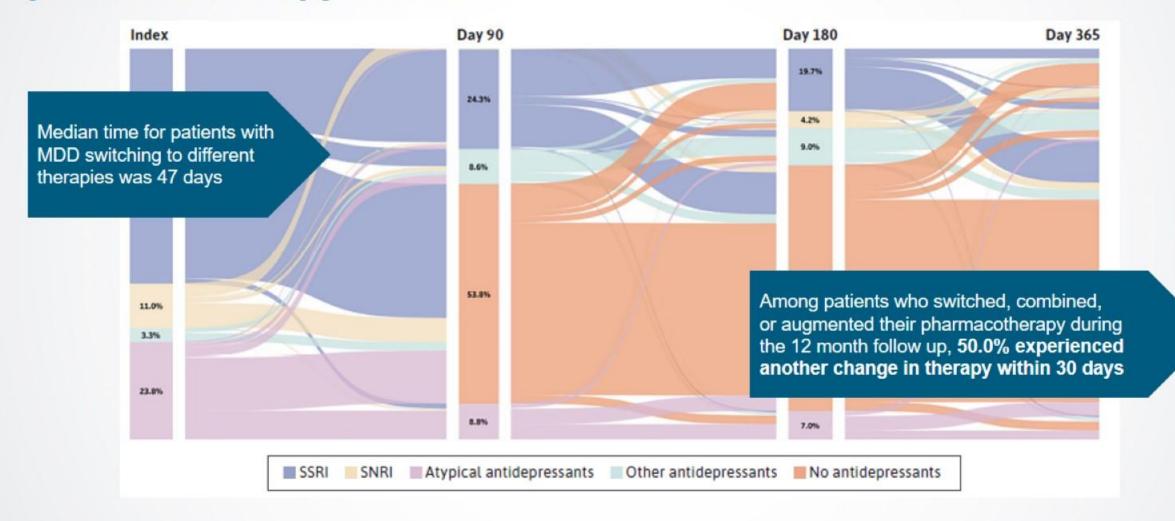


We are focused on preparing for the potential launch of zuranolone — with the goal of transforming the way depression is treated.

From the perspective of people living with depression, weeks matter, days matter, and the moments missed matter.

We believe that with zuranolone, if approved, we can help transform the way depression is treated.

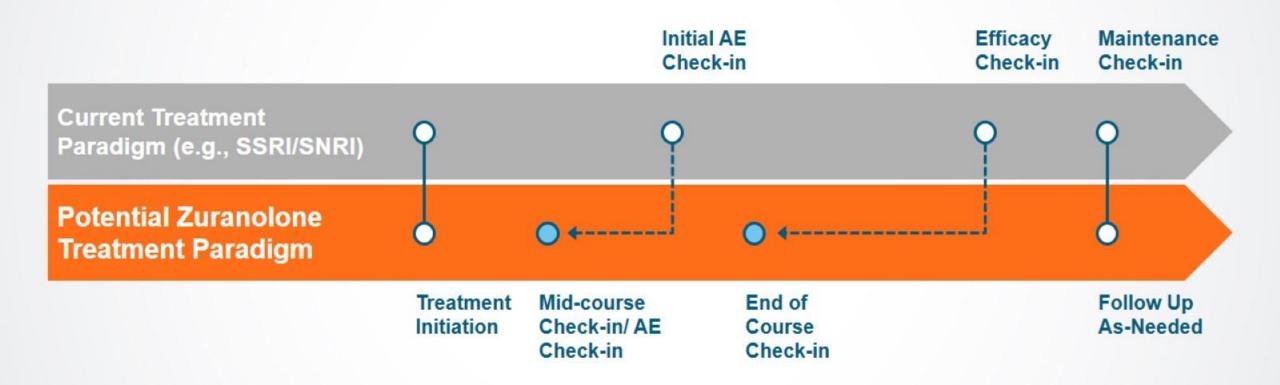
# Treatment patterns are highly variable for patients following a pharmacotherapy switch







# Zuranolone, if approved, may offer HCPs a new way to treat MDD and assess more rapidly if symptoms are improving



HCPs = healthcare providers; MDD = major depressive disorder; SSRI = selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor; SNRI = serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor; AE= adverse event





### **Key Medical Expert Perspective on Unmet Need in MDD**

**Greg Mattingly, MD** 

Associate Clinical Professor at Washington University





# Conversation with Dr. Greg Mattingly

Dr. Mattingly is an adult and pediatric psychiatrist and an Associate Clinical Professor at Washington University in St. Louis, where he received his medical degree under a Fulbright scholarship. As principal investigator in clinical trials for Midwest Research Group and a founding partner of St. Charles Psychiatric Associates, he has executed over 400 clinical trials across multiple psychiatric disease states.

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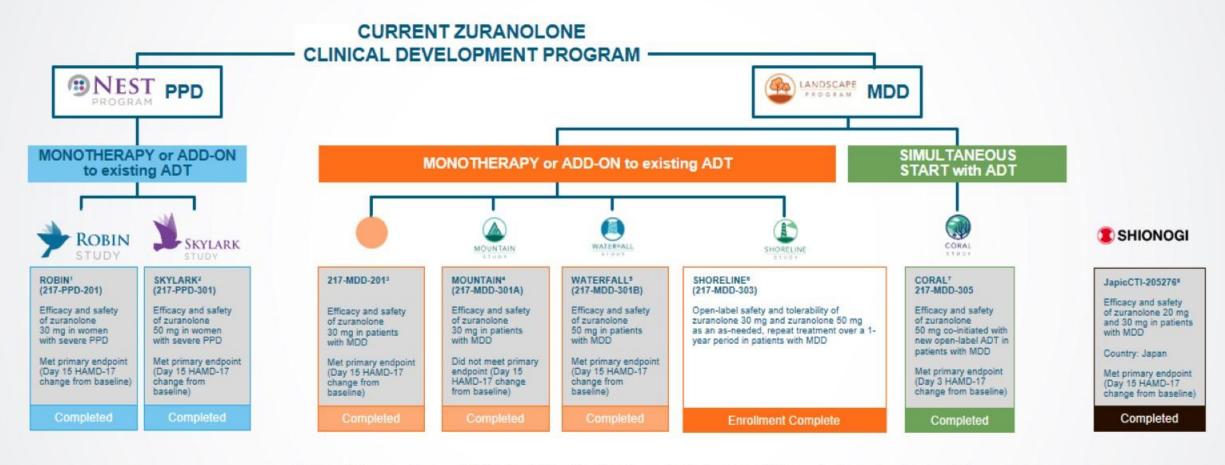
### **Zuranolone Clinical Experience in MDD**

Maha Radhakrishnan, MD
Group SVP and Chief Medical Officer, Biogen





### **Zuranolone Clinical Development Program Overview**



ADT = antidepressant therapy; HAMD-17 = 17-Item Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; MDD = major depressive disorder; PPD = postpartum depression.

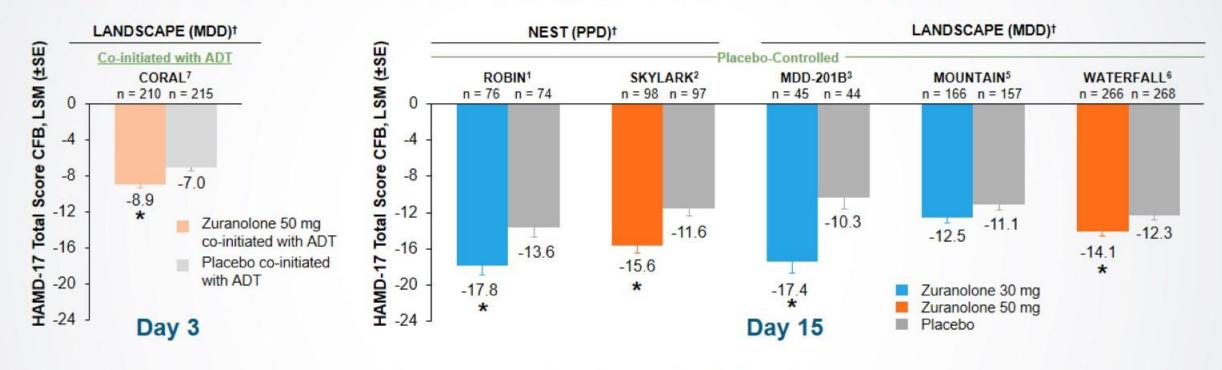




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### **Primary Endpoints in Zuranolone Placebo-Controlled Trials**

The Primary Endpoint for CORAL was CFB in HAMD-17 at Day 3, and the Primary Endpoint for ROBIN, SKYLARK, MDD-201B, MOUNTAIN, and WATERFALL was CFB in HAMD-17 at Day 15.1-7



The clinical trials above differ in sample size, patient population, entry criteria, and study sites as well as other design elements. No direct comparison can be made across these
clinical trials based on the graph above. ROBIN and SKYLARK enrolled patients with PPD; MDD-201B, MOUNTAIN, WATERFALL, and CORAL enrolled patients with MDD. 1-4,6,7

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<sup>\*</sup>p<0.05 vs placebo; p values for the LSM treatment difference were statistically significant for all studies shown except in the MOUNTAIN Study. †n = number of patients included in the FAS.

ADT = antidepressant therapy; CFB = change from baseline; FAS = Full Analysis Set; HAMD-17 = 17-item Hamilton Rating Scale for Depression total score; LSM = least squares mean; MDD = major depressive disorder; PPD = postpartum depression; SE = standard error.

### Zuranolone Integrated Analyses: Patient Report of Functioning and Well-Being<sup>†</sup>

Data support the potential of zuranolone in improving measures of functioning and well-being

### MDD can severely impair patient functioning and well-being<sup>1</sup>

► SF-36² is a validated patient-reported outcome instrument that allows for insights into how patients perceive their profile of functional health and well-being³, ⁴

### **Physical Health**

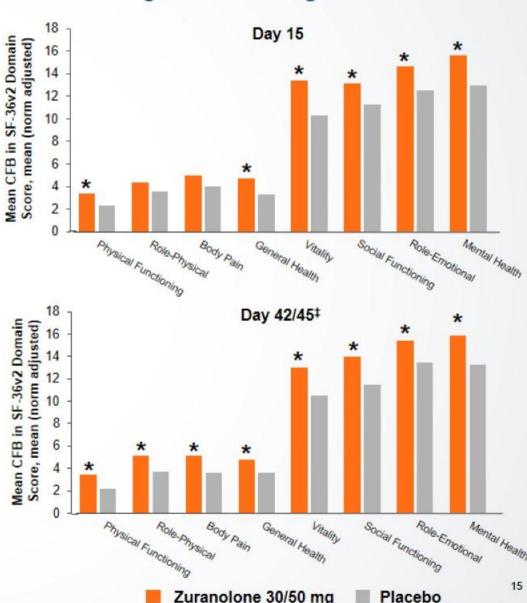
- Physical Function
- Role-Physical
- Bodily Pain
- General Health



<sup>\*</sup>LSM treatment difference p value <0.05 (nominal). †Integrated analyses combine data from the ROBIN Study, MDD201B Study, MOUNTAIN Study (≥24 baseline HAMD-17 and measurable drug concentration subgroup), and WATERFALL Study, and use a norm-adjusted mixed-effect model for repeated measures. ‡For the ROBIN study, data were collected at Day 45.

CFB = change from baseline; MDD = major depressive disorder; PPD = postpartum depression; SF-36v2 = 36-Item Short Form Health Survey (version 2).

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# **Zuranolone Showed Potential for Sustained Effects** in the SHORELINE Study

Patients had the opportunity to be followed for up to 12 months



~70% of patients who responded to initial course received 1 or 2 treatment courses



~80% of patients who responded to initial course received 1 or 2 treatment courses



Percent of patients who received only ONE treatment course (n=210)

54.8%

Percent of patients who received only ONE treatment course (n=80)

25.6%

Percent of patients who received only TWO treatment courses (n=125)



Percent of patients who received only <u>TWO</u> treatment courses (n=36)

### Median Time to First Repeat Treatment



30 mg\*

Initial 14-Day
Treatment Course

135 Days (Median; n=489)



**First Repeat Treatment** 



Initial 14-Day
Treatment Course

249 Days (Median; n=146)



- Number of additional treatment courses was similar in patients using zuranolone as monotherapy or add-on therapy (without or with pre-existing antidepressants).
- The SHORELINE Study was designed to evaluate efficacy in an observational manner, and therefore, statistical inferences cannot be drawn from efficacy outcome data.3

Only responders (≥50% reduction in HAMD-17 total score from baseline) at Day 15 of the initial treatment period can continue in the SHORELINE Study.

Need for repeat treatment courses is first assessed by PHQ-9 every 2- weeks. If PHQ-9 every 2- weeks. If PHQ-9 ≥10, a HAMD-17 total score ≥20, a repeat treatment course may be initiated. There is a minimum of 8 weeks between treatment periods, to allow for a maximum of 5 treatment courses for the 1-year study period; a new repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 30 mg) and a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 50 mg). The novo patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 50 mg). The novo patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 50 mg). The novo patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 50 mg). The novo patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 50 mg). The novo patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Cohort includes a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 30 mg) and a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 30 mg) and a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 30 mg) and a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who received repeat treatment courses with zuranolone 30 mg) and a 30 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Group (patients who enrolled into the 50 mg Dose Switch Grou

# A 14-Day Treatment Course with Zuranolone 30 mg or 50 mg was Generally Well-tolerated in Patients with MDD or PPD<sup>1-5</sup>

- Safety and tolerability of zuranolone in patients with MDD or PPD were generally consistent across studies during the 14-day treatment course.<sup>1-5</sup>
  - The most common AEs (>10%) reported with zuranolone included headache, somnolence, dizziness, nausea, and sedation.<sup>1-5</sup>
  - SAEs occurred in <5% of zuranolone-treated patients across all clinical trials of zuranolone. 1,2,6,7
  - To date (10/2022), there have been no signals of suicidal ideation or symptoms of withdrawal. In addition, weight gain and sexual dysfunction were not identified as safety concerns associated with zuranolone.<sup>1-5</sup>
- Treatment discontinuation rates due to AEs resulting from treatment with zuranolone were <5% in ROBIN, SKYLARK, MDD-201B, MOUNTAIN, and WATERFALL and <10% in SHORELINE and CORAL Studies.<sup>1,2,5-8</sup>

Range of TEAEs Across All Phase 2 and 3 Trials<sup>1-5,\*</sup>
ROBIN, SKYLARK, MDD-201B, MOUNTAIN,
WATERFALL, SHORELINE,† and CORAL Studies

Severity of TEAEs, % (overall range)	Zuranolone 30 mg or 50 mg <sup>‡</sup> (N = 1737)
Mild to moderate	85-100
Severe	0-10
Serious	0-5
Most Common (>10%) TEAEs, % (overall	range)
Headache	6-18
Somnolence	7-27
Dizziness	5-15
Nausea	3-11
Sedation	4-11

Note: Represents composite safety information across clinical trials in different patient populations and different doses.

\*The most common TEAEs were defined as having occurred in >10% of patients receiving either zuranolone 30 mg or 50 mg; TEAEs for the SHORELINE Study were included for the 30 mg Only Group and 50 mg Cohort as of the 11 Nov 2021 data cut; 4.5 in the CORAL Study, zuranolone 50 mg was co-initiated with an ADT (which could be continued after the 14-day treatment course). 4 Overall population (N = 924); complete data for the 30 mg Cohort (n = 725; 30 mg only [n = 645] and 30 mg/50 mg dose-switch [n = 80] groups); interim data for the 50 mg Cohort (n = 199) who had the opportunity to complete 1 year follow-up as of the 11 Nov 2021 data cut. 5 \*ROBIN: n = 78 (ZRN 30 mg); SKYLARK: n = 98 (ZRN 50 mg); MOUNTAIN: n = 192 (ZRN 30 mg); WATERFALL: n = 268 (ZRN 50 mg); SHORELINE: n = 645 (ZRN 30 mg ONLY) and n = 199 (ZRN 50 mg); CORAL: n = 212 (ZRN 50 mg co-initiated with an ADT). 3

ADT = antidepressant therapy; AE = adverse event; MDD = major depressive disorder; PPD = postpartum depression; TEAE = treatment-emergent adverse event; SAE = serious adverse event; ZRN = zuranolone.

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### Key Strengths in Clinical Data Identified by HCP Insights



#### **Multiple Positive Clinical Studies**

 6 out of 7 positive randomized clinical trials in MDD/PPD, with significant improvement at Day 15 after 14-day treatment



#### Rapid Action

Statistically significant improvement in depressive symptoms as early as Day 3
of short course, 14-day treatment



#### Efficacy Observed Across Multiple Use Cases and Populations

- Monotherapy, add-on to ADT, and co-initiation with ADT
- 14-day treatment course with improvement in depressive symptoms sustained beyond the treatment course



#### Consistent Tolerability Profile

- The most comment AEs were headache, somnolence, dizziness, and nausea
- To date (10/2022), there have been no signals of suicidal ideation or symptoms of withdrawal. In addition, weight gain and sexual dysfunction were not identified as safety concerns associated with zuranolone



### Areas for Further Discussion

- Sustained effect
- Need for repeat treatment

HCP = health care provider; ADT = antidepressant therapy; MDD = major depressive disorder; PPD = postpartum depression; AE = adverse event





### Rolling NDA Submission for Zuranolone Underway, with Multiple Key **Milestones Expected Over Next 18 Months**

### Planned activities and anticipated timelines



NDA development and related processes

FDA Advisory Committee\*

DEA Schedulina Period<sup>^</sup>

Medical affairs, health economics, value and access, and commercialization planning



<sup>\*</sup>Potential timing. Advisory committee not confirmed; it is an FDA decision whether to hold an advisory committee

FDA = U.S. Food and Drug Administration; DEA = Drug Enforcement Administration; MDD = major depressive disorder;

### **Commercial Opportunity in MDD**

Alisha Alaimo

President of Biogen, U.S. Organization







## The MDD Landscape Presents Significant Opportunity for a New Therapy to Help Patients Who Are Not Satisfied with Current Treatment

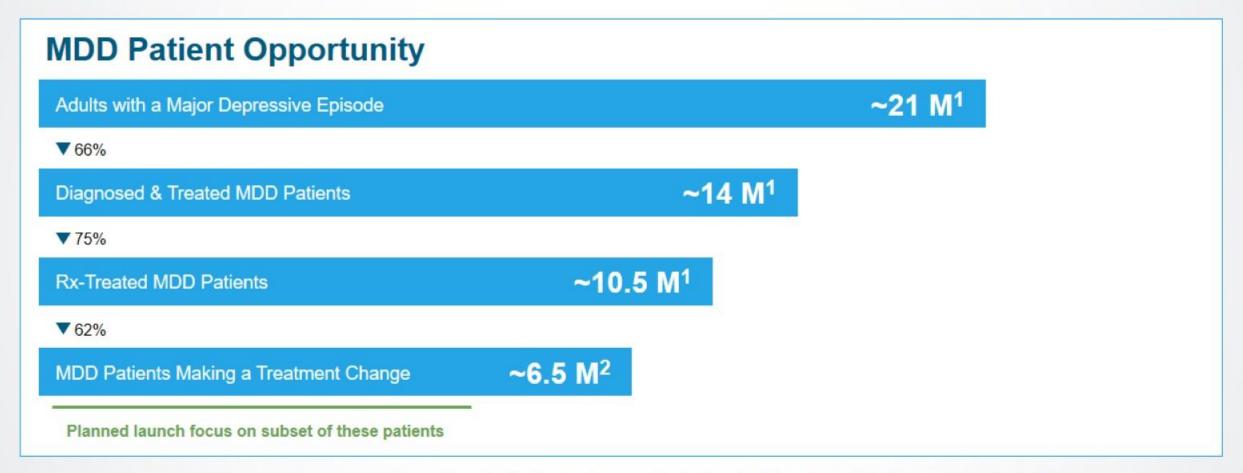




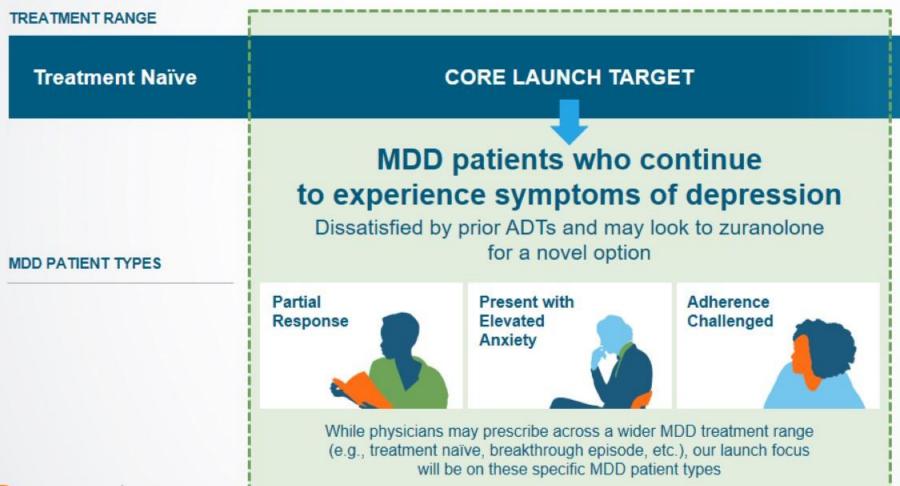


Figure not to scale. All patient numbers are estimates based on data we have obtained from published literature which references market research, claims research or other sources in some cases applying our own assumptions and analyses. As is generally the case with prevalence/population calculations, there are other data, studies or analyses that reach different conclusions as to estimates or ranges. If the data and assumptions we use turn out to have been inaccurate, the actual number of patients in each segment may differ from our estimates.

<sup>1.</sup> SAMHSA: 2020 NSDUH Detailed Tables 2. Zhu L, et al. J Manag Care Spec Pharm. 2022 Nov.

# Our Launch Focus, If Zuranolone is Approved, Will Be on Priority MDD Patient Segments

Goal of driving rapid uptake and positive experience for patients & HCP treaters



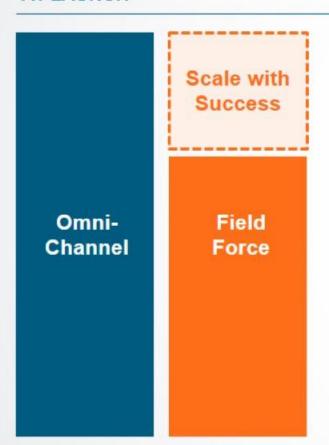




**Treatment Resistant** 

# Specialists are Expected to be Primary Target of our Planned Launch Supported by Omnichannel Approach Intended to Reach Broader Ecosystem

#### AT LAUNCH





### Psychiatrists – key features

- Highest volume of MDD prescriptions per physician
- Focus on more advanced treatments



### NP/PAs - key features

- Growing importance of NP/PAs in treatment of MDD
- Increasing prevalence of independent practice



### PCPs - key features

- Majority of MDD patient volume but a very broad group
- Focus on generic treatment with SSRIs and SNRIs

MDD = major depressive disorder; NP = nurse practitioner; PA = physician assistant; PCP = primary care provider; SSRI = selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor; SNRI = serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor





## Planned Customer-Centered Omnichannel Approach Aims to Enable a Seamless, Tailored Experience, Coordinated Across Personal & Non-Personal Channels

### Data, Analytics & Al Engines



### Relevance Drives Engagement:

Aim for: Right Channel, Right Time, Right Message

#### Analytics

 Identify and support early adopters, in treating MDD, enable effective microtargeting

#### **HCP Promotion**

- √ Non-Personal: Broadly reach and educate HCPs
- ✓ Personal: Customize engagement for our target customers in MDD

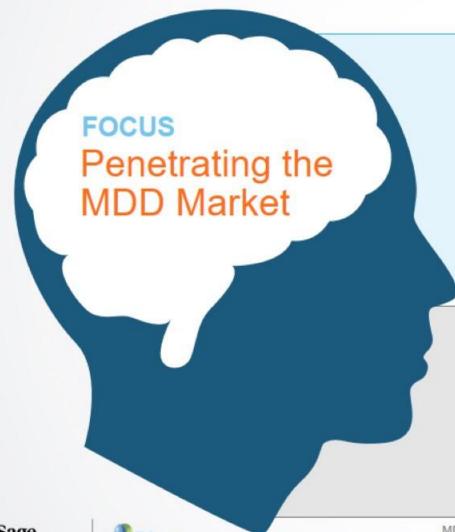
#### MDD Patient Activation

- √ Inspire patients to advocate for new treatment options.
- √ Help patients seamlessly navigate their treatment journey





# Our Commercialization Strategy is Hyper-Focused with the Aim of Penetrating the MDD Market at Launch and Expanding Over Time



### Launch Goals – If zuranolone is approved

- Maximize zuranolone's unique profile
- Focus on MDD patients continuing to experience symptoms and dissatisfied with current treatment
- HCP targets: Psychiatrists, NP/PAs, targeted set of PCPs
- Omnichannel approach enabled by digital
- Lead with value to optimize access for appropriate MDD patients

### Post Launch Goals – Expansion

- Drive earlier use in MDD.
- Increase MDD prescription depth
- Broaden PCP activation based on success
- Expand media to further activate MDD patients
- Deepen access





# Planned Approach to Market Access in MDD

Chris Benecchi

Chief Business Officer, Sage Therapeutics





# Our Value-Centric Access Strategy Reflects Our Goal of Meeting the Needs of Stakeholders at Launch

Proactive value-based agreements may play an important role in facilitating access

Facilitate physician utilization with minimal restriction

Increase patient access and affordability

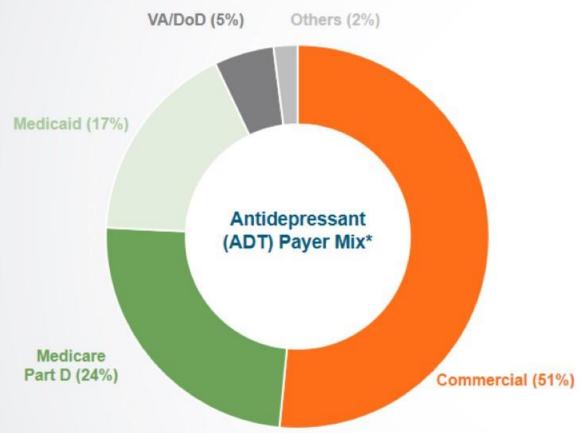
Align with payers and increase budget predictability







### Branded Antidepressants Have Favorable Coverage Across All Payer Types Demonstrating the Potential for Zuranolone Access, If Approved

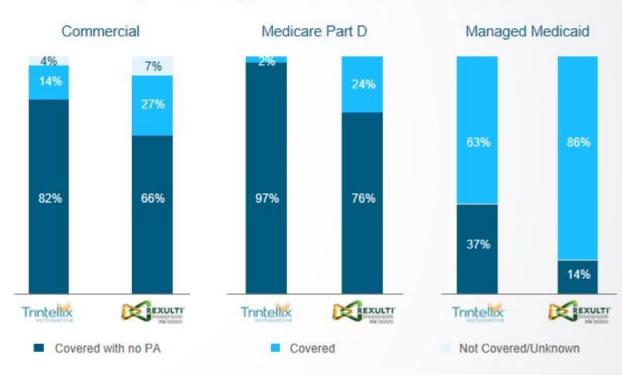


Based on treatment volume of branded and generic ADTs. Approximately 60% of treatment volume came from Commercial payers if branded ADT treatment only.\*

### Sage Therapeutics\*



### Payer Coverage for Select Branded Products



Source: MMIT Lives and Access data (Mar'22); ZS analysis; VA, IHS, Tricare are reported under Commercial in MMIT; MMIT reports 'Non-Preferred' as 'Covered' in the Data Feed

\*Commercial in terms of payer type.

Sources: IQVIA, Managed Markets Insight & Technology

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# Proactive VBA Approach May Help Secure MDD Patient Access to Zuranolone

#### **Key Considerations for VBAs**

#### **Outcomes of Interest**

Measurable outcomes that align with payer experience in managing MDD



#### Measurable Improvement

Streamlined, objective measurement(s) that align with patient MDD management objectives

#### **Target Populations**

Identifiable target MDD populations



#### Simple Design

Manageable administrative burden with streamlined data collection and analysis





# Payer Perspectives on the Potential Value of Zuranolone are Broadly Positive and Reinforce the Need to Increase Budget Predictability

Most payers have expressed there is a significant unmet need for better MDD treatment options

There is a strong desire among many payers to optimize patient adherence to therapy

Payers have expressed the need to achieve budget predictability with new therapies in MDD

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Even with dozens of options with different MoAs available, we still would want to see more effective, safer, and quicker, better tolerated [therapies]. There's always room for improvement even with many options available.

- Pharmacy Director, Regional Payer

The episodic treatment is interesting, but also makes it hard to budget since we don't know how many retreatments to expect for each patient. Anything you can do to support budget predictability would be helpful, especially given the low cost of standard of care.

- Pharmacy Director, National PBM





### **Closing Remarks**

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# Current Efforts are Concentrated on MDD Disease State Education, with Plans for a Hyper-Focused Commercialization Strategy, If Zuranolone is Approved

Today

At Launch

Post Launch

#### **Educating the Market**

#### Focus of Disease State Education:

- Episodic nature of depression
- Rapid resolution may improve long term outcomes

#### Penetrating the MDD Market

- Highlight zuranolone clinical data with approved label
- Focus on patients with MDD with unresolved symptoms of depression
- Initial focus on Psychiatrists, NP/PAs, targeted set of PCPs
- Omnichannel approach designed to extend reach
- Lead with value with goal of optimizing access

#### Potential Expansion in MDD

- Broaden PCP activation based on success
- Drive earlier use in MDD
- Increase prescription depth
- Deepen access





We are preparing for the potential launch of zuranolone — with the goal of transforming the way depression is treated.





### Q&A