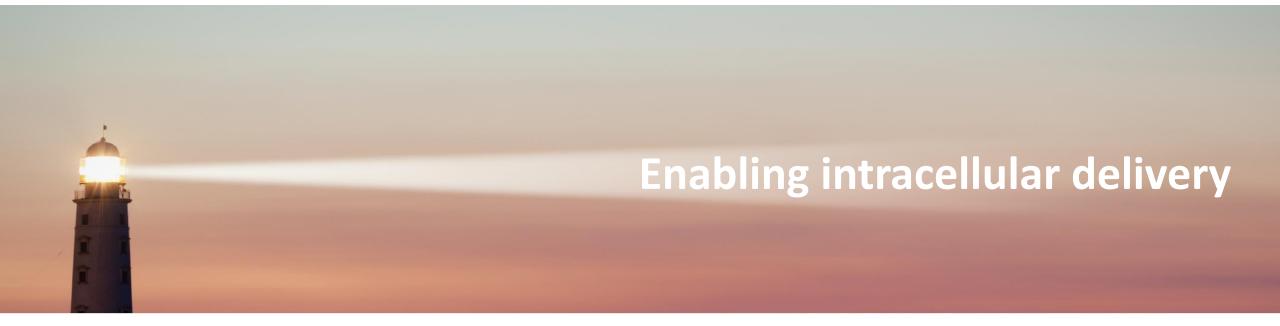
# **PCI Biotech**



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# PCI BIOTECH – ENABLING INTRACELLULAR DELIVERY

- ► A biotech company with an oncology focused pipeline
  - A listed (PCIB:NO) cancer-focused biotech company
  - Cash position at Q2 of NOK 147 mill, partly placed in Euro
  - Photochemical internalisation ("PCI") technology for intracellular delivery
  - One platform technology with three well differentiated assets

Programme	Indications/Therapeutics	Preclinical	Phase I	Phase II	Pivotal
<b>G</b> fima <i>CHEM</i>	Bile duct cancer / gemcitabine				
<b>fima</b> VACC	Therapeutic cancer vaccines				
fimaNAc	Nucleic acid therapeutics				
Photochemical internalisation (PCI) is a platform technology with three programmes					

targeting an attractive and growing oncology market



**fima** *CHEM* – first line treatment for the orphan indication bile duct cancer



#### Positive early clinical results

Encouraging tumour response and survival data

#### Pathway to market settled by regulatory interactions

 Single pivotal study with potential accelerated approval based on interim analysis

#### **RELEASE – a global pivotal registration intent study**

 Recruitment ongoing at approx. 50 hospitals across three continents



## fima*CHEM*

- Excellent fit with medical need and existing treatments
- Efficacy: mOS<sup>1</sup> of 22.8 months at selected dose (cohort IV) in Phase I dose-escalation (vs. 11-12 months<sup>2</sup> with standard of care for inoperable bile duct cancer treatments)
- Easy to use: Illumination through standard endoscopic methods compatible with endoscopic stenting for palliative biliary drainage
- Positioning: Enhances recommended first-line chemotherapy and boosts effect locally, where it is most needed (no direct competition)
- **Protection:** Orphan Drug designations in EU, US and South Korea offers potential market exclusivity
- Competition: Precision/gene/small molecules in clinical development are mainly second line or towards targets mainly present in intrahepatic bile duct cancer
- Premium price potential: Mean price for OD in the US is \$K150 (median \$K109)<sup>3</sup>



# BILE DUCT CANCER – PHASE I DOSE-ESCALATION STUDY

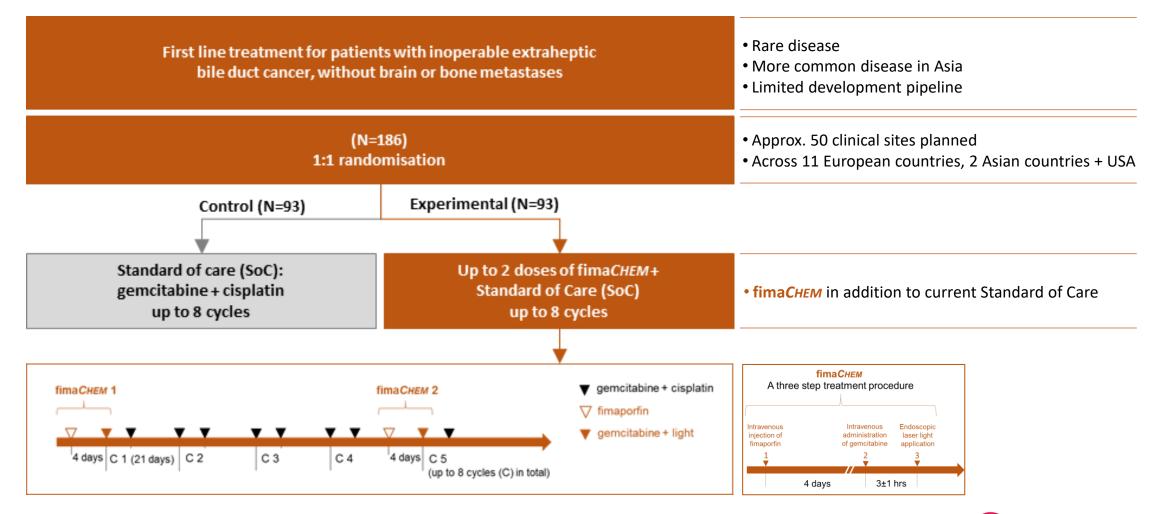
- Positive early signs of efficacy median Overall Survival of 22.8 months at selected dose
- Encouraging tumour response and survival in Cohort IV, with a single fimaCHEM treatment
- Cohort IV dose has been selected for the pivotal RELEASE study
- Phase I case reports published in peer-reviewed medical journal (open access)\*
- ▶ Results paved the way for a pivotal study with interim analysis for potential accelerated approval

Parameters	Cohort IV (N=6)	Phase I – all dose-escalation cohorts (N=16)
Objective Response Rate (ORR)	3/5 patients (2 PR; 1 CR)	4/12 patients (2 PR; 2 CR)
Median Overall Survival (mOS)	22.8 months	16.1 months



## BILE DUCT CANCER – RELEASE STUDY

Pivotal study with potential accelerated/conditional approval on interim analysis





# BILE DUCT CANCER – RELEASE STUDY

- Pivotal study status
- Open sites in South Korea, Taiwan, USA and 11 European countries
- Enrolling patients across three continents, with 47 sites open for patient enrolment at Q2'21
- 9 sites open in Asia and 6 sites in the US
- Screening in the RELEASE study has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic
- Several initiatives implemented with the aim to recoup the COVID-19 caused delay, the most important being:
  - Eligibility criteria modifications
  - Study expansion, including Asia





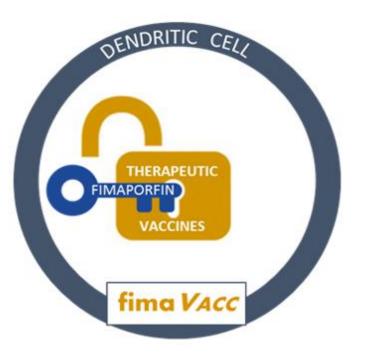
# BILE DUCT CANCER – RELEASE STUDY DESIGN

- Randomised study with interim analysis for potential accelerated/conditional approval
  - Orphan designation granted in the US, EU and South Korea
  - ► Fastest way to market determined through regulatory interactions with authorities
    - Formal interim analysis of ORR when 120 patients are enrolled
    - Interim read for potential accelerated approval expected 2H 2023
- ► Interim analysis primary endpoint: ORR<sup>a</sup>
- Final analysis primary endpoint: PFS<sup>b</sup>, with OS<sup>c</sup> as key secondary

- Several initiatives to enhance recruitment implemented and study expanded to Asia autumn 2020
  - Increased screening and enrolment after implementation, but still fluctuating
  - Full effect of the initiatives not expected until the COVID-19 situation improves further



fima VACC – aiming to enhance the effect of immunotherapeutics



#### **Compelling preclinical results**

Particularly strong CD8 T-cell immune responses

#### Successfully translated into humans

 Phase I study in healthy volunteers with peptideand protein-based vaccines

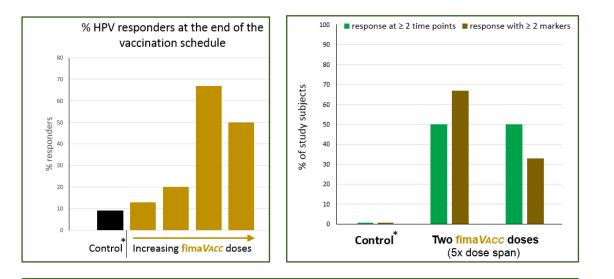
#### Versatile vaccination platform

 Can potentially be used with several modalities, including nucleic acid based technologies



# SUCCESSFUL CLINICAL PROOF-OF-CONCEPT IN HEALTHY VOLUNTEERS

Phase I study shows enhanced immune responses compared to a state-of-the-art adjuvant



#### fimaVACC provides:

- ✓ Increased number of responders
- Enhanced T-cell responses
- Improved T-cell functionality

- Results show that the addition of fimaVACC induces:
  - Substantial increase in number of T-cell responders to HPV E7 peptides
  - Clearly enhanced overall T-cell responses
  - More robust CD8 T-cell responses, which are notoriously difficult to induce with E7
  - Increased functionality of the induced CD8 T-cells
- Highly sought-after features especially for therapeutic vaccination



fima VACC

#### PROGRESS OF THE **fima***VACC* PROGRAMME

- Growing robust evidence, with Phase I study published
  - The full study results were published early January 2021 in Frontiers in Immunology<sup>\*</sup>, a high impact immunology journal
  - Patent portfolio covering several use areas latest US patent granted in June covering the use with immune checkpoint inhibitors
  - Recently strengthened the organisation with highly skilled resources in clinical science and business development
  - Next step: moving to Phase II with a partner or by ourselves (proof-of-concept in a disease setting)





Patented disposable "band-aid-like" device for user-friendly illumination of the vaccination site



**fima***NAc* – efficient and targeted intracellular delivery of nucleic acid therapeutics



#### **Compelling preclinical results**

 Strong data for a range of nucleic acid therapeutics and works in synergy with several vehicles

#### Addressing a major hurdle for this class of drugs

 Intracellular delivery of sufficiently high payloads remain a major obstacle for many applications

#### Collaborations with several players in the field

 Strategy to build a range of partnerships for different applications with a clear technology fit



#### fima*NAC*

# INTRATUMOURAL DELIVERY WITH **fimaNAC** IS CONVINCINGLY SUPERIOR TO LNPS

Substantially higher and more targeted mRNA delivery to tumours compared to LNPs

#### LNPs vs fimaNAc/naked mRNA. 3 µg LNPs and fimaNAc/naked mRNA in mRNA. Mean +/- SD. same animal. 12 µg mRNA 60 0 00 1000 000 protein) (RLU/mg protein) 50 0 00 100 000 ВШ 40 0 00 fimaNAc (RLU/ 30 0 00 10 0 00 LNP 20 0 00 Biolumir 1 000 Ę 10000 Bio 100 LNPs mRNA PCI 0.003/6 1 2 min Animal no.

#### Consistently improves delivery compared to LNPs

- 35x higher activity with fimaNAc compared to LNPs (3μg mRNA)
- > 200x in intra-animal (2 tumours) comparison (12µg mRNA)

# Luciferase expression in MC38 tumours and liver after intratumoural delivery of luciferase mRNA by LNPs or PCI. Median values.

fimaNAc -mediated delivery confined to tumour

PCI, 3 µg

mRNA

PCI, 12 μg

mRNA

PCI, 25 μg

mRNA

LNP, 25 μg

mRNA

0.0001

PBS

LNP, 3 μg

mRNA

LNP, 12 μg

mRNA

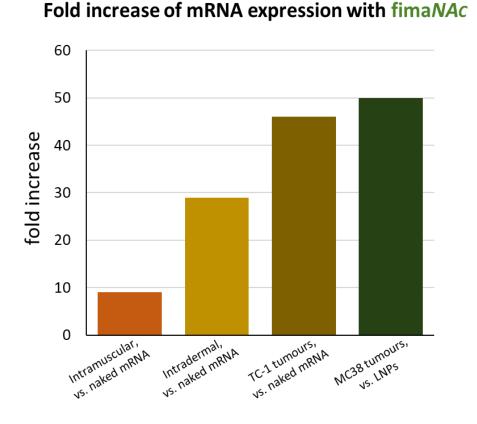
LNPs seem to leak out and leading to unwanted expression in the liver



#### Preventing undesirable off-target delivery

# NAKED MRNA DELIVERY WITH **fimaNAc** – DIFFERENT APPLICATIONS

Substantially enhanced delivery to tumour, muscle and skin



#### Local delivery technology

- Delivery demonstrated to tumour, muscle, and skin
- Convincing superiority to LNPs demonstrated in tumour
- Administered as one injection without side effects
- Injection and illumination as one procedure
- mRNA expression spatially restricted to illuminated area
- Clinically proven platform technology
  - fimaVACC and fimaCHEM using the same platform technology
  - Ample safety data in humans systemic and local administration
- ► Applications where a local effect may be desired
  - Skin, muscles, tumours, eye, joints, lymph nodes



# **RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS**

- Collaborations within fimaNAc and fimaVAcc
- Currently five collaborations, spanning across different classes of drugs and therapeutic applications
- Providing valuable scientific knowhow, encouraging results and intellectual property
- The most recently established collaboration is with OliX Pharmaceuticals, a South Korean biotech company with a novel RNAi technology
- ► PCI Biotech continues to pursue new and value-adding collaborative opportunities









# GOOD PROGRESS AND EXCITING OUTLOOKS





# Q&A

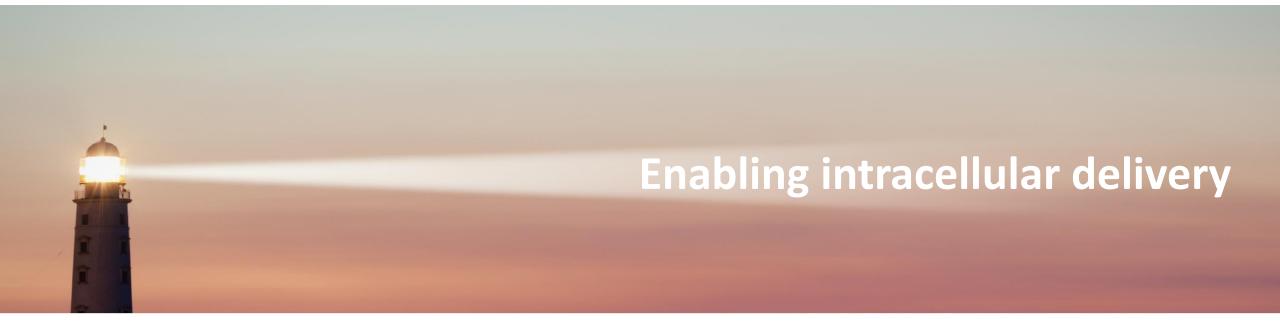
#### INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Broad platform technology	PCI is a platform technology with three programmes targeting an attractive and growing oncology market, with a clear path to a high unmet need orphan oncology market for the lead candidate
Advanced lead product candidate	<b>fima <i>CHEM</i></b> – Amphinex <sup>®</sup> is an orphan designated (EU, US, South Korea) first-in-class product candidate in pivotal development for treatment of bile duct cancer – a disease without approved drugs
Encouraging clinical results	Positive early signs of tumour response in a first-in-man study published in Lancet Oncology, and in a Phase I study specifically targeting bile duct cancer – encouraging survival data
Defined development strategy	Development strategy for lead candidate established based on thorough regulatory discussions with FDA and EMA – a single randomised pivotal study with accelerated/conditional approval potential
Pipeline opportunities	<b>fime VACC</b> – a clinical stage vaccination technology with encouraging cellular immune responses <b>fime NAC</b> – a preclinical gene therapy delivery solution with established key player collaborations
Experienced leadership	Management team, Board of Directors and advisors with extensive pharmaceutical industry experience across a range of medical development and commercial areas



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