

## ASCELIA PHARMA

Share ticker: ACE Nasdaq Stockholm

**WEBCAST:** 11 May 2022, 10:00AM CET

Link webcast:
Ascelia Pharma Q1 Report 2022
(streamfabriken.com)

Dial-in teleconference:

SWE: +46 8 505 583 73 UK: +44 333 300 9269 US: +1 646 722 4903 DK: +45 787 232 52

www.ascelia.com



### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

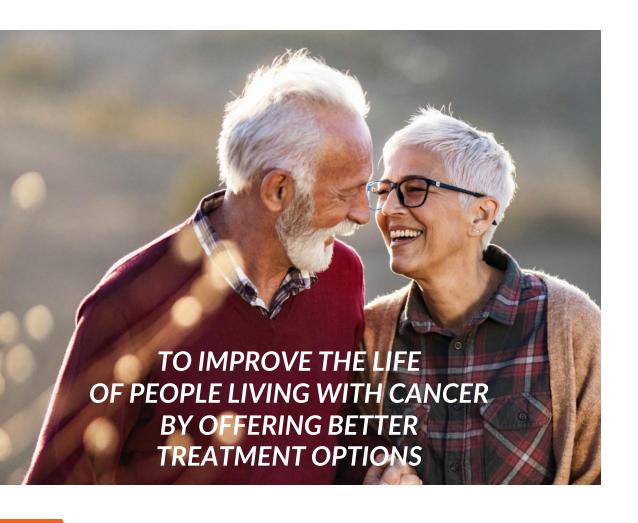
This presentation, which includes all information and data on the following slides, any oral statements made when presenting these slides, and any other material distributed or statements made at, or in connection with, such presentation (the "Presentation"), relates to Ascelia Pharma AB (publ) (hereinafter, together with its subsidiaries, the "Company") is furnished to you solely for your information and may not be reproduced or redistributed, in whole or in part, to any other person without the prior written consent of the Company. You should not rely upon it or use it to form the definitive basis for any decision, contract, commitment or action whatsoever, with respect to any transaction or otherwise.

The information included in this Presentation may contain certain forward-looking statements relating to the business, financial performance and results of the Company and/or the industry in which it operates. Forward-looking statements concern future circumstances and results and other statements that are not historical facts, sometimes identified by the words "believes", "expects", "predicts", "intends", "projects", "plans", "estimates", "aims", "foresees", "anticipates", "targets", and similar expressions. The forward-looking statements contained in this Presentation, including assumptions, opinions and views of the Company or cited from third party sources are solely opinions and forecasts which are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual events to differ materially from any anticipated development. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates, directors, employees or advisors provides any assurance that the assumptions underlying such forward-looking statements are free from errors nor do any of them accept any responsibility for the future accuracy of the opinions expressed in this Presentation or the actual occurrence of the forecasted developments. This Presentation speaks as of the applicable reporting date, and there may have been changes in matters which affect the Company subsequent to the date of this Presentation. Neither the issue nor delivery of this Presentation shall under any circumstance create any implication that the information contained herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof or that the affairs of the Company have not since changed, and the Company does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update or correct any information included in this Presentation.

Each person should make their own independent assessment of the merits of the Company and should consult their own professional advisors. By receiving this Presentation, you acknowledge that you will be solely responsible for your own assessment of the market and the market position of the Company and that you will conduct your own analysis and be solely responsible for forming your own opinion of the potential future performance of the Company's business.



### ASCELIA PHARMA – COMPANY HIGHLIGHTS



#### **ADVANCING ORPHAN ONCOLOGY**

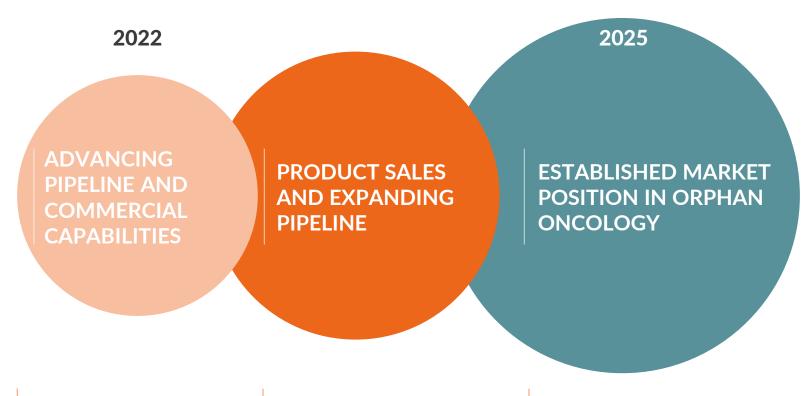
- Identify, develop and commercialize novel drugs that address unmet needs in rare cancers
- Two drugs in advanced clinical development
  - ORVIGLANCE in global Phase 3; FDA Orphan Drug Designation
  - ONCORAL ready for Phase 2

#### **BUILDING GLOBAL CAPABILITIES**

- Based in Malmö (Sweden), US affiliate in New Jersey (US)
- Solid balance sheet and financed into H2 2023
- Listed on NASDAQ Stockholm (Ticker: ACE)



### BUILDING VALUE AND GROWTH TRAJECTORY



- ORVIGLANCE Phase 3
- ONCORAL Phase 2 ready
- ORVIGLANCE revenue
- ONCORAL Phase 2
- Pipeline expansion

- ORVIGLANCE market leader
- ONCORAL Phase 3 ongoing
- Pipeline development
- Further pipeline expansion



### RECENT KEY EVENTS

#### Key events in Q1-2022

**Feb** Orviglance comparison study to gadolinium accepted to ESGAR conference

Mar Strong healthcare professional support to Orviglance from market research

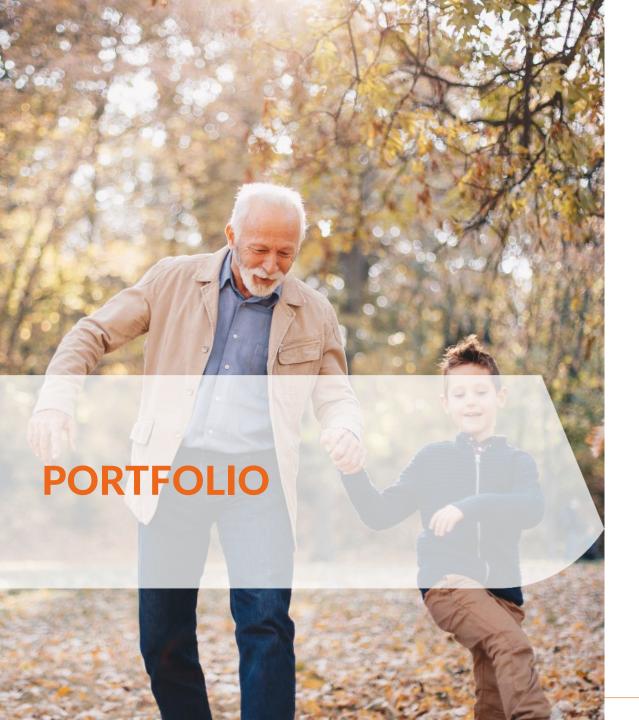
Mar Suspension of Russian clinical activities for Orviglance

Mar Last patient visit in Orviglance Hepatic Impairment Study

### Key events after Q1-2022

May Results from Orviglance Food Effect Study positively show that liver image enhancement is not influenced by intake of light meal





### **ORVIGLANCE**

Liver diagnostic drug in ongoing Phase 3

**ONCORAL** 

Daily oral chemotherapy ready for Phase 2



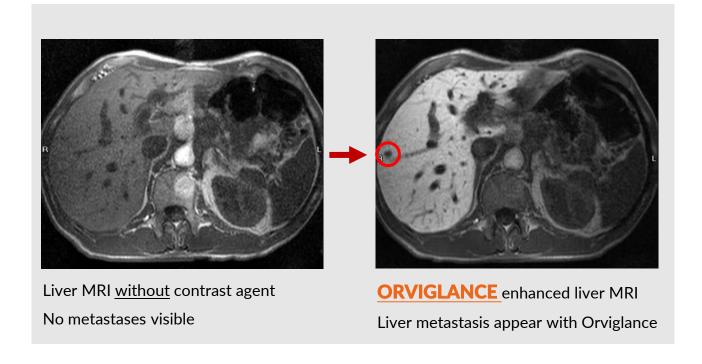
### ORVIGLANCE - PHASE 3 LIVER MRI CONTRAST AGENT

#### **NOVEL LIVER MRI CONTRAST AGENT**

- Diagnostic drug for use in liver MRI scan to detect cancer
- Liver metastases common in many cancer types and often the cause of mortality
- Targeting patients at risk of potentially fatal side-effect from the current contrast agents on the market

#### **SOLID PROGRESS**

- Strong clinical Phase 2 results (p-values < 0.0001)</li>
- Ongoing Global Phase 3 study
- Orphan Drug Designation from FDA



### ORVIGLANCE PHASE 1 & 2 RESULTS (6 STUDIES)

### Consistent strong efficacy readout and safety profile

### Blind read study of all images vs. unenhanced MRI (178 persons)

- Significantly improved MRI
- 33% more lesions
- Lesion visualization
  - Delineation (border sharpness): **p-value <0.0001**
  - Conspicuity (contrast vs. background): **p-value <0.0001**

Proceed to Phase 3



### ORVIGLANCE ONGOING PHASE 3 STUDY - SPARKLE

#### **Patients**



- Global study, 200 patients
- Known or suspected focal liver lesions and severe renal impairment

- Around 50 sites in the US, Europe, Latin America
- Working with active and new sites to accelerate enrollment

#### Comparator



Unenhanced MRI + ORVIGLANCE MRI vs.

Unenhanced MRI

No randomization – each patient as own control

#### Endpoint



Lesion visualization

- Lesion border delineation
- Conspicuity

- Same endpoints as in Phase 2
- Same endpoints as for approved gadolinium agents

Follow-up



Less than a week

Expected pivotal study patient enrollment: 2022



### ORVIGLANCE PIVOTAL PROGRAM - SUPPORTING STUDIES

#### Study design

#### Status and Results

Food Effect Study

- Crossover study in healthy volunteers
- Evaluate the impact of food intake on absorption and signal intensity of Orviglance (light meal or full meal vs. fasting condition)

- Intake of light meal prior to Orviglance MRI provides similar liver image enhancement as Orviglance MRI on fasting condition
- Robust image enhancement of the liver after Orviglance compared to an MRI without a contrast agent

Hepatic Impairment Study

- Sequential cohort study in patients with different degrees of hepatic impairment
- Evaluate the effect of liver impairment on the safety, pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of Orviglance

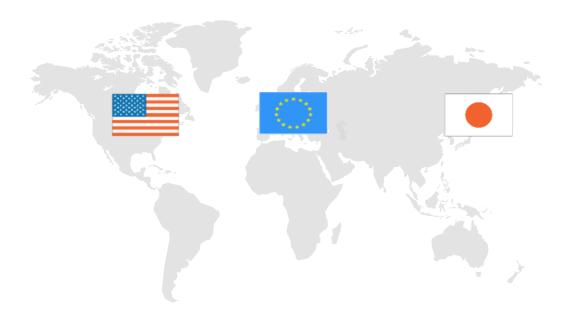
- Last patient visit completed in March 2022
- No serious adverse events reported
- Final results expected Q2/Q3 2022



### ORVIGLANCE MARKET \$500-600 MILLION ANNUALLY

### \$500-600M ADDRESSABLE MARKET IN US, EU AND JAPAN

- Ascelia Pharma to commercialize in the US
- RoW commercialization with partners



#### **DRIVERS**

- Patients with suspected primary liver cancer or liver metastases and severe kidney impairment (~4%)
- Actual imaging procedures (real-world data)<sup>1</sup>
- Payer and expert input (+75 stakeholders)<sup>2</sup>

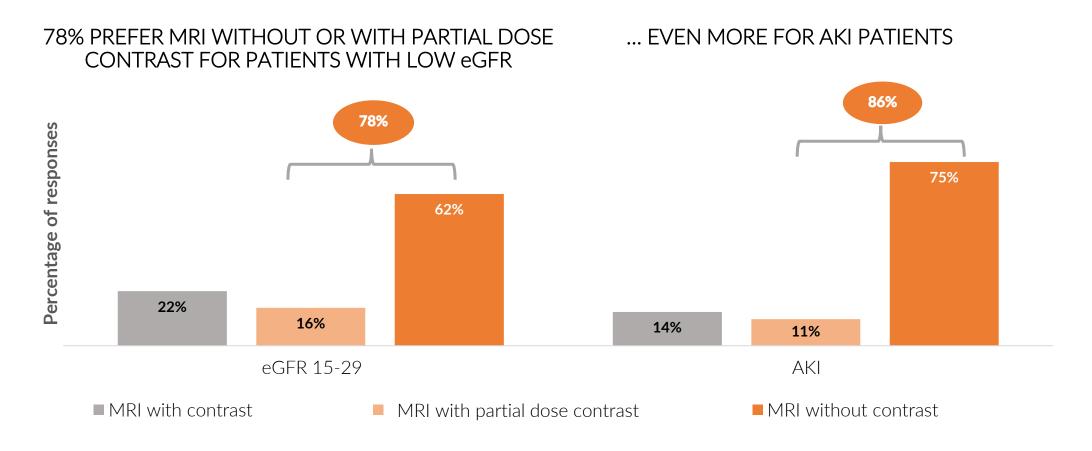
#### **UPSIDES**

- Other markets, e.g., China
- Annual growth of 4-5%



### MARKET RESEARCH MARCH 2022

# - FOR ORVIGLANCE TARGET PATIENTS, US HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS CURRENTLY PREFER UNENHANCED MRI

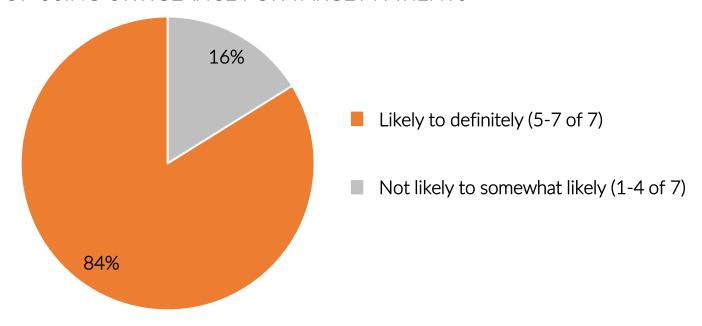




### MARKET RESEARCH FROM MARCH 2022

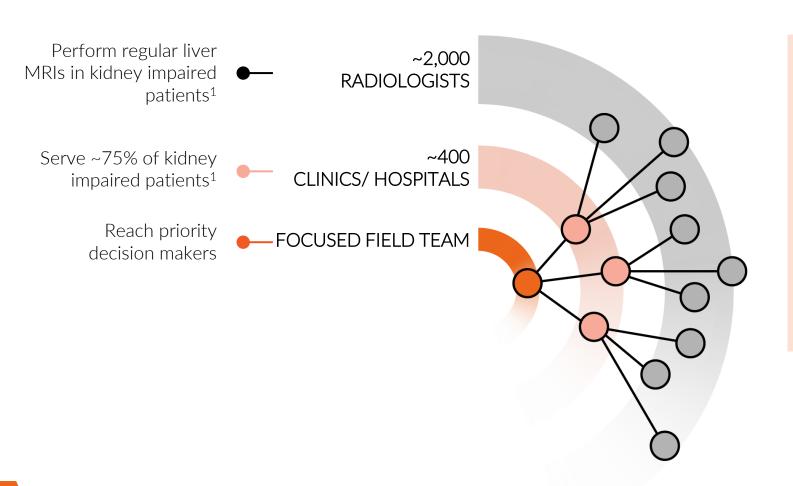
### - 84% US HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS SAY THEY WILL USE ORVIGLANCE

#### LIKELIHOOD OF USING ORVIGLANCE FOR TARGET PATIENTS





### CAPTURING US MARKET VALUE WITH ASCELIA'S TEAM



#### **BUILDING ASCELIA U.S. TEAM**

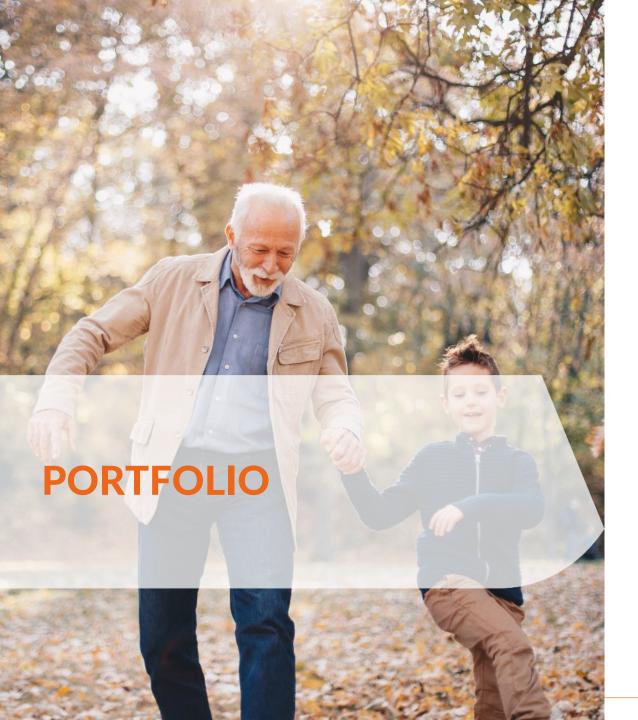
New Jersey office (up to 40 FTEs at launch)

Cambrex manufacturing partner in New Jersey

#### BUILDING OUT U.S. FOOTPRINT

SPARKLE Phase 3 study at leading US Sites including Stanford, Mass. General, Duke University, UCLA Medical Center





### **ORVIGLANCE**

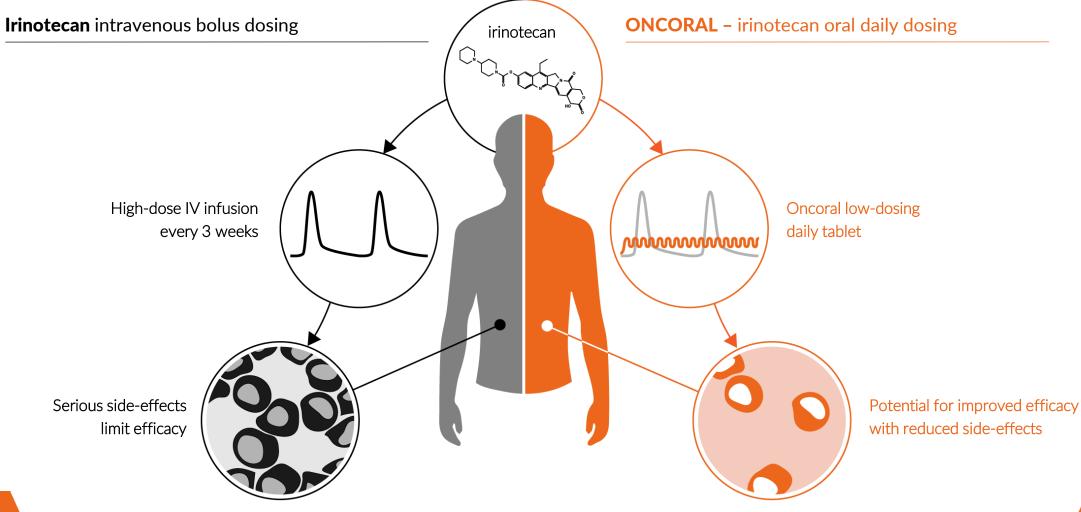
Liver contrast agent in ongoing Phase 3

### **ONCORAL**

Daily oral chemotherapy ready for Phase 2

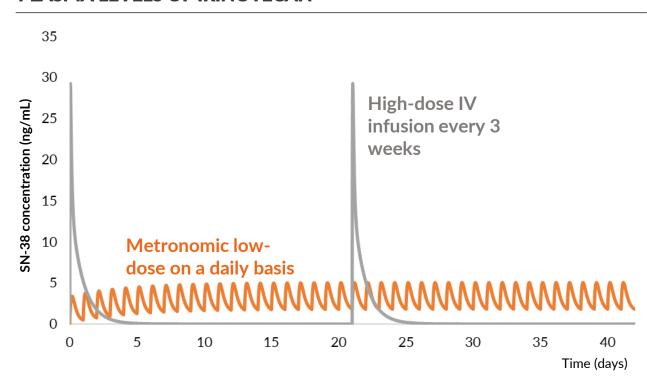


### IMPROVING IRINOTECAN EFFICACY and TOLERABILITY



### ONCORAL PHASE 1: ENCOURAGING SAFETY PROFILE

#### PLASMA LEVELS OF IRINOTECAN



Source: Simulation of Oncoral vs. IV Camptosar performed by Pkxpert AB

#### **Oncoral Phase 1 results**

- Well tolerated, no unexpected side-effects
- Hematological toxicities mild-moderate (grade 1 or 2)<sup>4</sup>
- Efficacy: Stable disease even in patients previously treated with IV irinotecan

#### Infrequent high-dose IV irinotecan

Gastrointestinal and hematological side effects, ~30% severe or life-threatening (grade 3 or 4)<sup>1</sup>

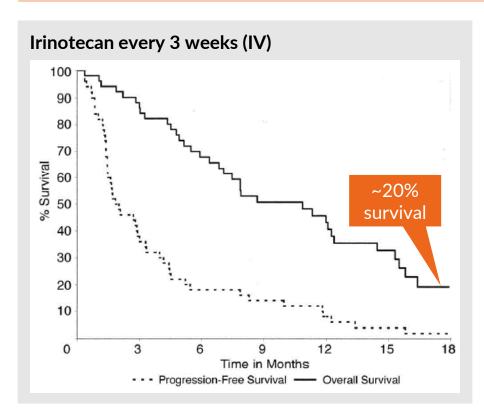
#### Frequent (metronomic) low-dose irinotecan

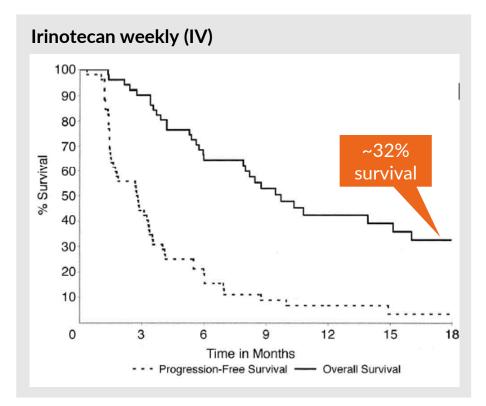
- Several studies show improved tolerability<sup>2,3</sup>
- Daily dosing adjust quickly if acute toxicity



### IMPROVING IRINOTECAN **EFFICACY** BY FREQUENT LOW DOSING

Overall survival: Improved from 20% (dosing every third week) to 32% (weekly dosing)<sup>1</sup>





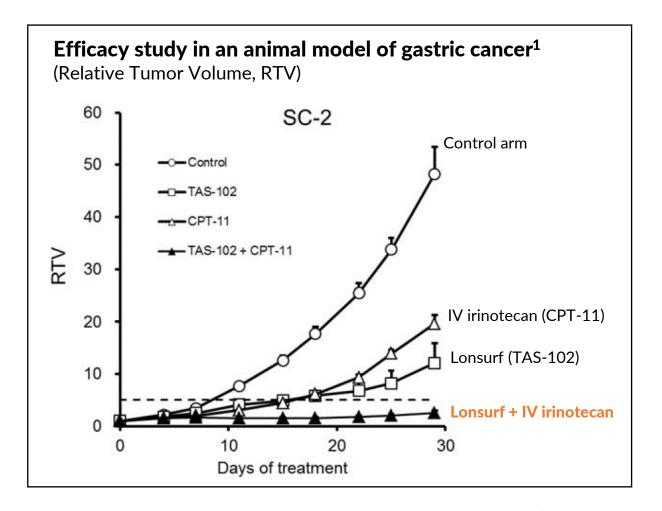
Study in patients with metastatic refractory breast cancer, N=103



### ONCORAL PHASE 2 IN GASTRIC CANCER

#### STRONG RATIONALE FOR GASTRIC CANCER

- Clinical guidelines support efficacy of irinotecan
- Potential for Orphan Drug Designation
- Potential for synergistic effect between Lonsurf and irinotecan





### PHASE 2 STUDY DESIGN

#### **STUDY DESIGN** (ALL-ORAL COMBINATION STUDY)

# Patients

- Around 100 patients
- Metastatic gastric cancer
- Randomized controlled, multicenter/multinational

Comparator



Oncoral + Lonsurf

VS.

Lonsurf

**Endpoints** 



**Primary: Progression Free Survival** 

Secondary: Response rate, PK, Safety and Overall

Survival data in a follow up analysis

#### Clinical collaboration with



LONSURF is approved for treatment of metastatic gastric cancer and metastatic colorectal cancer

#### POSTPONING START OF PHASE 2 TO FOCUS ON ORVIGLANCE

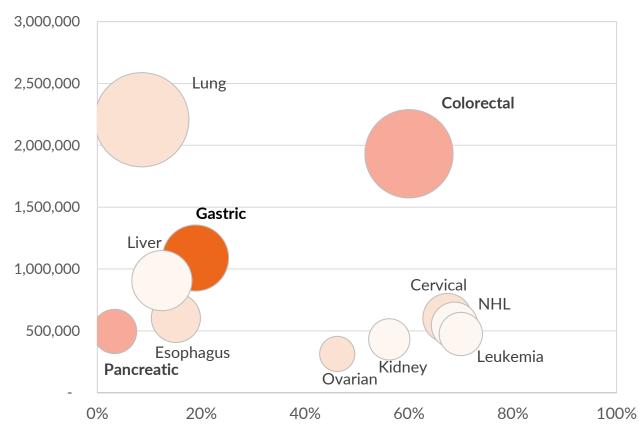
- Continued very strong belief in Oncoral as a novel oral chemotherapy
- Study start approval (IND) gained in the US in December 2021
- Study start approval gained in the UK and Spain in H1 2022
- To focus all resources on Orviglance, patient enrollment is not initiated until it can be done effectively (was planned to start Q2/Q3 2022)



### HIGH VALUE OPPORTUNITY IN GASTRIC CANCER AND EXPANSION

#### POTENTIAL FOR ORAL, DAILY DOSING OF IRINOTECAN<sup>3</sup>





Median 5-year Survival Rate

- Current focus: Gastric cancer
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> highest cancer deaths<sup>1</sup>
  - Orphan opportunity (U.S. and EU)
  - \$3-4bn market<sup>2</sup>
- Approved indications for IV irinotecan infusions
- Indications for which IV irinotecan infusions are clinically demonstrated & NCCN recognized
- Indications for which IV irinotecan infusions are clinically demonstrated



I) International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC, 2021)

<sup>(1)</sup> GlobalData - Gastric and Gastroesophageal Junction Adenocarcinoma – Global Drug Forecast and Market Analysis to 2024

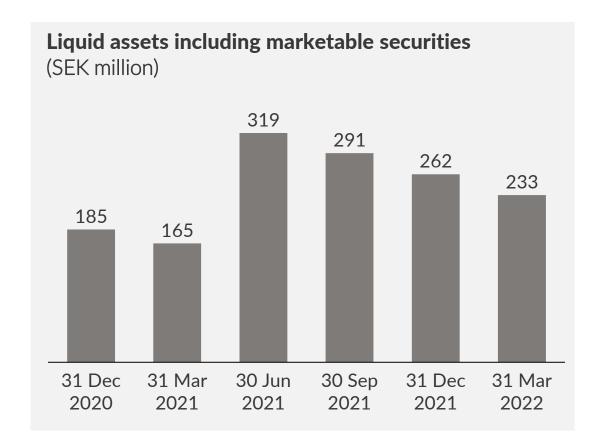
Globocan 2020, WHO, Cancer Research UK



### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS Q1 2022 - LIQUIDITY POSITION

### **Solid liquidity position:**

- Liquid assets of 233 MSEK (\$25 million) by 31 Mar 2022
- Current cash position provides financing into H2 2023

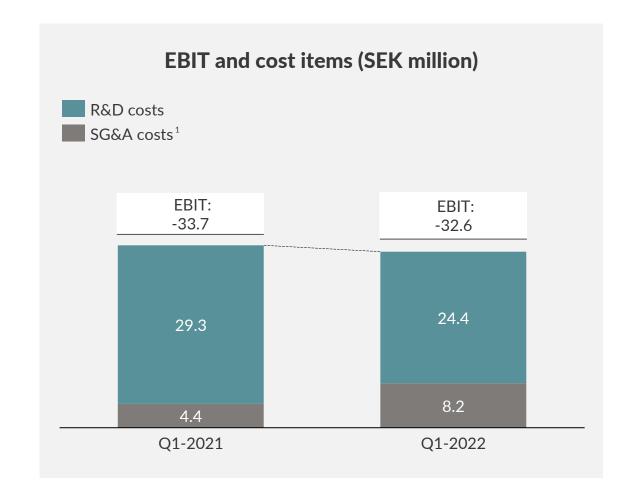




### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS Q1 2022 - OPERATING RESULTS

### Largely unchanged operating loss y/y:

- Reduced R&D costs y/y due to timing of expenses for Orviglance Phase 3 study, which caused higher cost recognition in Q1 2021 compared to Q1 2022
- Higher SG&A costs y/y driven by increased launch preparations costs for Orviglance in Q1 2022







### **PRIORITIES 2022**







# ASCELIA PHARMA

ascelia.com

