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# Executive summary



### **SYNCONA**

### Syncona

### A leading European life sciences investor with an ambition to grow Net Asset Value to £5 billion by 2032



- > Syncona was founded in 2012 by the Wellcome Trust to take a longterm approach to building life science companies
- > Thesis that the best risk-adjusted returns in life science come in late-
- > Evergreen balance sheet enables our investment model
- > Focus on creating companies around technology that has potential to have a transformational impact for patients in areas of high unmet need
- > Aim to create and build companies that are capable of autonomously translating exceptional science to commercial products
- > Building a portfolio of 20-25 companies with a product and patient-focused strategy to manage risk and optimise returns
- > Disciplined capital allocation, rigorously balancing the risk and reward
- > Aim to deliver 3-5 companies to late-stage development where Syncona has a significant ownership position and can access significant value creation



# **Overview of Syncona**

### Significant impact across the portfolio since being founded in 2012

Building global leaders		Our track record		Patient impact		Financials	
22	Syncona portfolio companies since 2012 foundation	21%	IRR since 2012; 1.4x multiple on cost across whole portfolio <sup>1</sup>	165k	Patients benefitting from Blue Earth's Axumin™	£1.2bn	Net Asset Value
13	Number of companies in the portfolio today	£1.1bn	Syncona capital deployed since 2012	3	Products to pivotal trial, with 22 programmes progressed into the clinic <sup>3</sup>	£613m	Capital pool
1,200+	Number of employees across Syncona portfolio	£948m	Generated from four successful exits; 4.3x multiple of cost <sup>2</sup>	8,400	New cases of adult ALL diagnosed p.a. across the US and EU – as Autolus approaches its BLA filing for obe-cel <sup>4</sup>	£150m- 200m	Capital deployment into the portfolio guidance for 2023/4

1- Includes sales of Nightstar, Blue Earth, Gyroscope and Neogene and closure of 14MG and Azeria. 28% of the portfolio held at cost. Reflects original Syncona Partners capital invested where applicable. All IRR and multiple on cost figures are calculated on a gross basis

2 - Includes sales of Nightstar, Blue Earth, upfront proceeds from sale of Gyroscope and upfront proceeds from Neogene, reflects original Syncona Partners capital invested where applicable. All IRR and multiple on cost figures are calculated on a gross basis 3 – Includes lead Beacon programme in XLRP. 4 - SEER and EUCAN estimates (respectively) for US and EU

All financials as at 30 June 2023

# Positioned to deliver value over the long term

Syncona believes the out return in life science can be accessed at late-stage development

# Our strategy is designed to leverage this opportunity

- Creating, building, scaling companies capable of seizing the commercial opportunity of translating science to products
- Syncona has demonstrated a differentiated company building capability
- Underpinned by a strong capital pool enabling us to bridge the gap between scientific research and commercial opportunity

# Global transaction volume by expected years to market; Number of global biopharma deals greater than \$1bn from 2005 to 2023<sup>1</sup>





Late-stage strategy in action





### Demonstrated significant value creation from successful exits

£1.1 billion invested to date, generating an IRR of 21%, 1.4x invested capital<sup>1</sup>

# Four exits generated £948m of proceeds, at an aggregate IRR of 74% and a $4.3x \cos^2$

### **Blue Earth**

- > First invested in the company in 2014, sold to Bracco Imaging in 2019
- > 83% IRR 9.9x cost

### Nightstar

- > Founded company in 2013, sold to Biogen in 2019
- > 71% IRR 4.5x cost

### Gyroscope

- > Founded company in 2016, sold to Novartis in 2022
- > 50% IRR 2.9x cost

### Neogene

- > First invested in the company in 2019, sold to AstraZeneca in 2022
- > 4% IRR 1.1x cost on upfront proceeds



#### Strong track record of value creation from successful exits

#### All financial data at 30 June 2023

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### Focus on building and scaling companies to late-stage development

Market conditions are improving for late-stage clinical assets, where Syncona believes significant value can be accessed

Our core principle of driving companies to late-stage development is critical to navigating current market backdrop

- Valuations are recovering in companies developing later stage assets
- Market is responding to good data again it is all about a great product
- Financing challenges remain for pre-clinical companies – reflecting the importance of focusing on commercial opportunity





# Syncona portfolio





# Portfolio well diversified with multiple opportunities

Portfolio focuse	d on delivery o	of key mileston	es				<ul> <li>Syncona</li> <li>Late-stage clinical</li> <li>investment point</li> </ul>	
	Best ideas	Pre-clinical	Clinical	Late-stage clinical	BLA	Value	Clinical     Pre-clinical	
Autelus		•			•	£123m	Significant shift in clinical stage of portfolio	
<b>Deac</b>				•				
		•						
<b>NN<sup>V</sup>EON</b>		•						
SwanBio		•				£228m	42% of value in	
FREELINE		•	-				clinical companies	
		•	-					
<b>O</b> RTx		•						
purespring		•						
THERAPEUTICS		•					/0%	
<b>OMASS</b>	•					£152m	of value in clinical companies	
MOSAIC	•						01 2023/4	
Kesmalea	•						11	

Values taken from Syncona's strategic portfolio

# Preparing for the commercial launch of obe-cel

Syncona has guided portfolio company from inception to potential commercialisation, a longstanding goal which has the potential to drive value

### Autelus

### FOUNDED 2014 VALUE £62.8m SHAREHOLDING 18%

#### Lead product candidate

- Obe-cel, potentially best-in-class for relapsed refractory for adult acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL)
- Approaching BLA filing as the company prepares for commercial launch
- Strong cash position, June '23: \$307.8m

#### **Clinical and operational progress**

- FELIX pivotal trial in r/r ALL met primary endpoint
- Potential best-in-class safety and durability profile relative to other CAR T cell therapies, with high overall remission rate
- Advanced manufacturing facility launched to support the commercial launch of obe-cel

#### **Future milestones**

- > Updates on the FELIX trial later in the year, with BLA filing in H2 CY2023
- Publish initial data from AUTO8 in multiple myeloma in H2 CY2023

	Research	Pre-clinical	Clinical
Obe-cel – r/r aALL			
Obe-cel – B-NHL			
Obe-cel – PCNSL			
AUTO1/22 pALL			
AUTO4 –TCL			
AUTO8 – MM			
AUTO6NG – Neuroblastoma			
Obe-cel – SLE			



# **Beacon Therapeutics**

### Creating a leading ophthalmic gene therapy company

3.4x

aggregate



- Deep expertise in retinal gene therapy through two key investments
- Through Nightstar, team multiple from develops expertise in XLRP; continues to closely follow AGTC's programme post-exit
   Mightstar1

### Clinical strategy

> Focused on re-defining the clinical plan and optimising manufacturing plan for commercial roll-out

Leveraging multi-disciplinary expertise across the team
Members of Launch Team working closely with AGTC to

#### Regulatory strategy

Transaction

> Redefined regulatory strategy

drive operational efficiencies

#### Early-stage pipeline

 In parallel identified two highly complementary, exciting retinal gene therapy programmes, including one from the University of Oxford World-class management team established with significant expertise in clinical development





**David Fellows Na** CEO (ex Nightstar) (ex

beac:

therapeutics

s Nadia Waheed CMO (ex Gyroscope)

Combined company leverages operating efficiencies, focusing capital on a late-stage opportunity

# Significant value potential in mid-stage portfolio

Driving longer term sustainable growth

### **AN**<sup>V</sup>EON

### Enhancing a patient's immune system to respond therapeutically to cancer

- > Published encouraging data from the Phase I/II dose-finding trial in ANV419
- Raised CHF110m (£90m) in a Series B financing in December 2021

### Quell

Engineered T-regulatory (Treg) cell therapies, lead programme in the liver transplant setting

- > Expect to dose patients in 2H 2023 in its lead programme
- Raised \$156m in a Series B financing in November 2021, and \$85m upfront for its deal with AstraZeneca in June 2023

#### SwanBio THERAPEUTICS

Gene therapies to target neurological disorders

- Lead SBT101 AMN<sup>1</sup> programme currently in a Phase I/II clinical trial
- Initial low dose cohort completed, with no safety concerns
- Initiated second dose escalation cohort



#### Precision T cell therapies targeting clonal neoantigens to treat solid tumours

- > Two clinical programmes; NSCLC and Melanoma
- Listed on NASDAQ with cash runway to mid-CY2025

### FREELINE

Gene therapies for inherited systemic debilitating diseases

- Focused on clinical delivery in Gaucher disease; positive initial clinical data from first two patients dosed
- > Listed on NASDAQ with cash runway to Q2 CY2024

Strong focus on building companies to latestage development, enabling strong riskadjusted returns for our shareholders over the long term and driving transformational impact for patients

# Rich opportunity set in early-stage portfolio

Creating commercial concepts around ground-breaking science

Precision medicine continues to power pipeline with focus on modalities enabling access to validated targets

### Tx

Macrophage cell therapies to repair inflammatory organ damage

#### OMass

Novel biochemistry techniques, native mass spectrometry and custom chemistry to deliver novel medicines

### purespring

Gene therapies for the treatment of chronic renal diseases

#### 🙀 MOSAIC 🏹

Oncology therapeutics company with a highly specialised drug discovery platform

#### CLADE THERAPEUTICS

Next generation induced pluripotent stem cell derived medicines.

#### Kesmalea

Creating a new generation of oral drugs addressing diseases through modulating protein homeostasis



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Enhanced platform

Genetically informed targets

Precision drug combinations

ON

Mosaic platform and proprietary technology enables large scale CRISPR and drug screens, supporting drug development against genetically informed targets

Brian Gladsden appointed as CEO, formerly at Novartis Oncology, where he was a member of the Worldwide Leadership Team



# Capital strategy





# Managing capital to deliver strong risk-adjusted returns

Capital pool underpins our long-term approach combined with differentiated ability to attract external capital to portfolio companies

### Strong capital base is central to delivery of strategy

- > Founding investors have the best ability to set strategy
- > Life science companies require significant capital as they scale
- Ability to maintain influence through financing rounds essential to maintain significant ownership positions and access value creation in late-stage development
- > Balance sheet strength provides best negotiating position for external financing rounds or M&A
- Capital to execute ambitious vision optimises ability to attract the best academics, founders, managers and partners
- > Expect to deploy £150-200m of capital in FY2023/4 in exciting new investments and our current portfolio.

Recent share buyback of up to £40 million represents the Board's view that the current share price materially undervalues Syncona's portfolio and its prospects and that the shares represent a compelling and unique investment opportunity.



# How we finance our portfolio companies

Investing alongside long term aligned capital

### Financing strategy

- > We set our companies up with conviction to deliver on key milestones
- > We typically invest on a sole basis or alongside aligned long-term partners in Series A financings
- > We then work with aligned co-investors through the financing pathway to scale the company to deliver on its ambitions with the aim of taking the company to late-stage development







# People





# An expert multi-disciplinary investment team

### Our Senior investment team



### Our unique skill set

👃 Scientific 🝵 Commercial

💼 Company creation 🖉 Investment

# 6

Investment and associate partners provide expert support to our senior investment team

### 20

Team members within our corporate functions support our investment approach

# 5

Executive and Advisory Group members provide expert advice and work closely with our investment team and portfolio companies

# **85%** Of investment team with PhDs

### 190+

Years of experience in life science



# Embedding a new model

Improving pace and establishment of new portfolio companies and leveraging a highly expert team throughout the clinical pathway



### Syncona Launch Team Providing expert insight during the investment process across specialism (HR,

Finance, Legal, Scientific)

Fiona Langton-Smith Chief Human Resources Officer

"The Launch Team will help our portfolio companies in becoming operational, allowing our investment partners to focus their time on the strategic aspects of a new portfolio company and working on the next wave of company creations"



John Tsai Experienced clinical leader and former CMO of Novartis

Markus John Experienced clinician and former Franchise Head, Immunology and Ophthalmology, Roche Portfolio companies

### Syncona Executive and Advisory Group



Ken Galbraith Experienced biotech executive, Chair/CEO of multiple quoted companies



Autelus

Lisa Bright has worked with the company on its commercial strategy, as it approaches commercial launch of its lead obe-cel therapy



Lisa Bright Experienced commercial leader with a focus in launching innovative medicines beac: therapeutics Gwenaelle Pemberton heavily involved in developing the company's regulatory strategy





# Summary





### Scaling our net assets

Delivery against our ambitious growth plans against a challenging market backdrop

- > Maturing portfolio is diversified by stage, modality and therapeutic areas, with seven companies at clinical-stage
- > Upcoming value inflection points, including Autolus approaching a BLA filing with the FDA for its lead obe-cel therapy and phase II data from Beacon's lead XLRP programme expected to read out in H2 CY2023
- Strong clinical progression in the portfolio, including Quell expecting to complete the dosing of the safety cohort in its lead programme in H2 CY2023 and SwanBio dosing first patient in higher dose cohort in its lead phase I/II study in AMN
- Our capital pool of £613.1 million<sup>1</sup> continues to underpin our long-term approach, enabling us to fund companies for the long term and invest in exciting new opportunities to deliver strong risk-adjusted returns





# Appendix 1 - Team

### Senior investment team

Responsible for sourcing, leading and delivering new deals for Syncona, as well as working closely alongside portfolio companies as they progress against key milestones



beacon

therapeutics

PhD

15 years' experience



purespring



MOSAICTX

FREELINE SwanBio 21 years' experience





PhD

**OMass** 

32 years' experience

Magdalena Jonikas<sup>2</sup> Lead Partner PhD



Kesmalea OMass

12 years' experience



25

# Leadership team incorporates experience from across the business

priorities





# Appendix 2 - Portfolio



Company	Status of pipelines	Next steps
Autolus	Six ongoing clinical trials	Progress pivotal study obe-cel / adult ALL, with further long-term follow up data in H2 CY2023 and a BLA filing with the FDA expected in H2 CY2023
		Publish initial data from the trial of AUTO8, Autolus' next-generation product candidate for multiple myeloma, in H2 CY2023
beac therapeutics	Lead programme AGTC-501 in XLRP in Phase II trial	> Expects to release 12-month data from its Phase II trial in XLRP in H2 CY2023
<b>AN</b> <sup>V</sup> EON	Nominated lead programme in the clinic	> Announce further data in its Phase I/II dose finding trial of ANV419 in solid tumours in H2 CY2023
		Publish initial data from its Phase I/II trial of ANV419 in metastatic melanoma in CY2024
ACHILLES	Two lead programmes in Phase I/IIa trials	> Expects to provide further data from the higher dose clinical cohorts of the Phase I/IIa clinical trials of its cNeT therapy in NSCLC and melanoma in Q4 CY2023
	Dosing initial safety cohort in its lead programme	> Expects to complete the dosing of the safety cohort in its lead programme, QEL- 001, in H2 CY2023
	Dosing second dose cohort in its lead programme	SwanBio has provided an update on the first two patients from the low dose cohort in its Phase I/II AMN programme, and has now dosed the first patient in the higher dose cohort
FIKEELI NE	Completing dosing of initial cohort in its lead Gaucher programme	Has reported initial data from two patients in the Phase I/II dose-finding trial in Gaucher disease, and is now proceeding to dose the third patient

# Q1 2023/4 Valuation Table

[ ] Late-stage clinical 🛛 🗌 Clinical

Pre-clinical

Portfolio company	Fully diluted ownership %	31 Mar 2023 value £m (fair value)	Net invested/returned in the period £m	Valuation change £m	FX movement £m	30 Jun 2023 value £m (fair value)	Valuation basis (fair value) <sup>1,2</sup>	% of NAV
beac:	70.1	60.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	60.0	PRI	4.8%
Autelus	17.9	50.0	0.0	15.0	(2.2)	62.8	Quoted	5.0%
	34.0	86.7	0.0	0.0	(2.5)	84.2	PRI	6.8%
ANAVEON	38.0	64.2	0.0	0.0	(0.5)	63.7	PRI	5.1%
SwanBio THERAPEUTICS	80.0	58.2	9.4	0.0	(1.4)	66.2	Adjusted cost	5.3%
FREELINE	49.2	14.1	0.0	(8.7)	(0.3)	5.1	Quoted	0.4%
	24.5	8.6	0.0	(0.1)	(0.2)	8.3	Quoted	0.7%
OMass	28.9	43.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	43.7	PRI	3.5%
purespring	84.0	35.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.1	Cost	2.8%
THERAPEUTICS	22.4	24.3	0.0	0.0	(0.7)	23.6	Cost	1.9%
<b>O</b> RTx	81.1	23.0	14.9	0.0	0.0	37.9	Cost	3.1%
<b>ΜΟSAIC</b> <sup>TX</sup>	52.4	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.3	Cost	0.6%
Kesmalea	57.5	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	Cost	0.3%
Milestones and deferred consideration <sup>3</sup>		70.4	0.0	3.7	(1.7)	72.4	DCF	5.9%
Syncona Investments		55.0	0.1	(0.1)	(0.6)	54.4		4.4%
Capital pool		650.1	(34.2)	1.9	(4.7)	613.1		49.4%
Total		1,254.7	(9.8)	11.7	(14.8)	1,241.8		100.0%



### **Beacon Therapeutics**

# Leading ophthalmic gene therapy company launched

- Lead AGTC-501 therapy targets X-Linked Retinitis Pigmentosa (XLRP), a monogenic disease that leads to progressive vision loss in males which has no approved therapies
- Programme has produced a strong body of clinical evidence to date; 12 month data from Phase II SKYLINE trial expected in H2 CY2023
- Two pre-clinical programmes in dry age-related macular degeneration (dry AMD) and cone-rod dystrophy (CRD)
- Experienced management team with CEO David Fellows (ex Nightstar) and CMO Nadia Waheed (ex Gyroscope)

Initial investment	2022	
Value	£60.0m	
Financing stage	Series A	





2014

£62.8m

NASDAQ

# Autolus Therapeutics: building a fully integrated CAR-T cell therapy company

Lead clinical programme: Obe-cel, a standalone, potentially best-in-class CD19 CAR T cell therapy candidate

- Lead product candidate, obe-cel, potentially best-in-class for relapsed refractory for adult acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) and has a competitive profile in B-cell Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (B-NHL)
- > Pipeline built on modular innovation targeting cancers with limited treatment options
- In house cell manufacturing for clinical trial supply
- > Advanced manufacturing facility launched to support commercial roll out
- > Strong cash position, year end: \$307.8m\*\*\*\*

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	Obe-cel	
>	Pivotal Phase II trial in ALL met primary endpoint, further encouraging read-out at ASCO in June 2023 with longer term follow up expected H2 CY2023	
>	Potential best-in-class efficacy and safety profile relative to other CAR T cell therapies, with high overall remission rate (ORR)*,**	
>	35% of patients with complete remission at a median follow up of 36 months, without any further therapy**	

Target engagement with fast off-rate drives unique product properties

Filing of BLA planned by end of 2023

	Key data***	
	ALLCAR19 Swim plot	
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4N00	Median CAR-T cell levels by PCR	
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18 24 30 Time from CAR-T infusion (months

Initial investment

**Financing stage** 

Value

> \$250m with Blackstone Life Sciences, of which \$220m already received to develop obe-cel in adult ALL

**Collaboration:** 

Established technology collaborations with Moderna and BMS

programme

Lead

> Opportunity for partnering of pipeline programmes

\* FELIX pivotal study \*\*ALLCAR19 academic study, \*\*\* Source: Autolus corporate presentation. \*\*\*\*30 June 2023



# Quell Therapeutics: developing engineered T-regulatory cell therapies

The company

# On track to be the first company to potentially present transformative data in the engineered Treg-field in the liver transplant setting



**Treg Cells** 

- > "Master modulators" of the immune system:
- > Multiple mechanisms of suppressive activity
- > Bystander suppression in the local environment
- Natural Tregs are the optimal starting cell to demonstrate
   Treg therapeutic potential stability and potency



- Potential to durably reset Immune Dysregulation with a single treatment, in: Transplantation, Auto-immunity and Inflammation
- On track to be the first programme in Liver Transplantation —a de-risked setting with significant unmet need for patients
- > 15,000 liver transplants per year in US/EU5\*

Initial investment	2019
Value	£84.2m
Financing stage	Series B

- > Broad, proprietary Treg engineering toolkit
- GMP manufacturing capacity on-line in Quell facilities
- World class management team (Ian McGill, CEO, formerly Jazz)
- Collaboration with AstraZeneca with \$85m upfront (cash and equity) and potential payments of over \$2bn
- Funded through key datasets with strong investor syndicate (inc. Jeito, Ridgeback, SV Health)

*	Quell	estin	nate
*	Quell	estin	nate



# Anaveon: harnessing the power of IL-2 for patients with solid tumours

# Specialising in the development of treatments for diseases with immune system dysfunction

Anaveon is a clinical stage company developing biologics to modulate the function of "cytokines" with the potential to provide substantial therapeutic benefit to cancer patients.

# Positive clinical data demonstrating the potential for a best-in-class agent

- In Phase I dose escalation study, data presented to date underlines strong safety and efficacy potential of the drug – this is key in human IL-2 where other drugs have had a high toxicity burden and require repeat infusions
- > 66% of patients achieving at least disease stabilisation at ≥108 µg/kg dose level
- > Further Phase I/II trial of the drug, in metastatic melanoma, entered the clinic in FY2022/3

NSCLC patient, who continues ANV419 treatment, showed sustained and deepening response with 56% reduction in sum of diameter of target lesions, at 12 weeks after treatment initiation

Initial investment	2019
Value	£63.7m
Financing stage	Series B

11 May 2022





SITC poster 631. Patient shown is 63 year old female with relapsed refractory non small cell lung cancer (NSCLC). Cut off date 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022



# SwanBio: focus on gene therapy for a devastating neurological disease

company

The

A gene therapy company with lead programme focused on AMN, a devastating disease with no current treatments



- Gene therapy has the potential to be transformational in neurology
- Focus on the spine an uncrowded space and only tissue with proven transduction and clinical efficacy

Gene therapy



Opportunity

- Company's lead SBT101 therapy is targeting AMN\*, an inherited neurodegenerative disease in which the causative gene is definitively known and well characterised
- > A devastating disease with no current treatments
- > AMN impacts 8,000-10,000 male patients in the US and EU5<sup>1</sup>

Initial investment	2018
Value	£66.2m
Financing stage	Series B

- Efficacy proof of concept established preclinically
- Patients enrolled in the CYGNET natural history study to assess disease progression in patients with AMN to inform the research and development of potential treatments
- SwanBio dosed its first two patients in lead AMN programme, with no safety concerns
- > Initiated second dose escalation cohort

2015

£5.1m

NASDAQ



# Freeline Therapeutics: developing transformative gene therapies for inherited systemic debilitating diseases

Potential to treat a wide range of chronic diseases

- Clinical stage company; lead programme targets a disease with a high unmet medical need
- World class founder and leading management team, with extensive experience in gene therapy and clinical translation
- Leveraging differentiated platform based on validated capsid to deliver high protein expression at low doses
- Initiated research programme in GBA1-linked Parkinson's disease

### **Gaucher disease**

- > Inherited deficiency in GCase enzyme
- Leads to enlarged spleen and liver, low platelets and red blood cells, and bone and lung dysfunction
- Existing treatments cannot penetrate all tissues, poorly addressing certain aspects of disease
- Positive initial data from first two patients

Freeline's FLT201 has the potential to be first- and best-in-class gene therapy

Value

**Financing stage** 

Patient population: ~18,000\*\*

programme

Lead

2016

£8.3m

NASDAQ



Value

**Financing stage** 

# Achilles Therapeutics: developing novel cancer immunotherapies targeting clonal neoantigens

programmes

Focus on the treatment of solid tumours with precision T cell therapy by targeting multiple clonal neoantigens that are present on all cancer cells

- Lead product is a precision tumour-derived T cell therapy targeting clonal cancer neoantigens
- High unmet need in lead indications, advanced non-small cell lung cancer and recurrent metastatic melanoma
- Use DNA sequencing data from each patient with a proprietary bioinformatics platform to identify clonal neoantigens specific to the patient, potentially enabling the development of personalised cell therapies
- Strong cash position of \$144 million supports operations through 2025
- Potential implementation of TIL-based clinical programmes into other modalities including clonal neoantigen cancer vaccines

Data from 14 heavily pre-treated patients across its Phase I/IIa clinical trials in advanced non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) and recurrent or metastatic melanoma presented in December 2022

- Data reported on eight patients with advanced NSCLC and six patients in recurrent or metastatic melanoma
- Safety and tolerability observations of cNeT compare favorably to standard tumour infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL) due to less IL-2 related toxicity
- Durable partial response and stable disease achieved in heavily pre-treated NSCLC patients dosed with cNeT monotherapy
- The best clinical response was a partial response (ongoing at week 33) in a NSCLC patient that showed an investigator reported 57% total tumour reduction at week 24
- Stable disease was observed in five NSCLC patients at week 12, with two patients remaining stable beyond weeks 15 and 26

### Pre-clinical stage

**SYNCONA** 

# OMass: a platform built to unlock highly validated but inadequately drugged targets

With a focus on immunological and rare diseases

- > Historically, small molecule drug discovery has focused on targets that operate in relative isolation
- > Many of the best targets operate within a membrane or an intracellular complex
- > To drug these targets, it is necessary to interrogate their full spectrum of physical interactions within the native ecosystem
- OMass' platform seeks to interrogate not just the target, but how it interacts with its native ecosystem to identify new medicines against highly validated but inadequately drugged targets
- Platform is based on work initiated by its scientific founders in the laboratory of Professor Carol Robinson at Oxford University

### Today, researchers are forced to make trade-offs:

### **Cell-based systems**

Researchers know that biology is observed with high fidelity. However, there is a disconnect between what is measured and the drug's action resulting in false leads and missed opportunities.

### **Cell-free approaches**

Confounding factors have been stripped away giving precise data on how tightly or how quickly a drug binds to its target. However, the target protein **no longer faithfully represents its living counterpart** and endogenous biomolecules are absent









# Purespring: one of the first gene therapy companies focused on the kidney globally

Seeking to advance gene therapies for the treatment of chronic renal diseases that are currently poorly addressed with existing treatments

- Gene therapy targeting the podocyte, allowing it to potentially directly treat a significant portion of kidney diseases
  - We only have a finite number of podocytes in our kidneys: unlike other human cells such as liver cells or skin cells, podocytes do not regenerate over our lifetime.
  - Injuries to the podocytes lead to issues in the filtration barrier, reducing the kidney's filtration capacity, causing kidney diseases.
  - > The podocyte is implicated in 60% of renal disease<sup>1</sup>
- Purespring was founded around the seminal work of Professor Moin Saleem, Director of Bristol Renal; the originator of the gold-standard human podocyte cell lines
- > The company is developing a proprietary platform to potentially enable kidney gene therapy



Each kidney is divided into individual functional units called nephrons

Initial investment	2020	
Value	£35.1m Series A	
Financing stage		



The glomerulus is a key element of the nephron where important filtration mechanisms happen

### The Podocyte is one of the key cell types responsible for the filtration of blood

- > Regulation of Filtration
- > Maintenance of renal function
- > Immune/inflammation regulation
- complement modulation
- Metabolic Sensing/regulation and Insulin sensing



# Clade Therapeutics: developing the next-generation off-the-shelf cell therapies

Advancing cell therapy beyond haematological malignancies to solid tumours and enabling access to a greater number of patients

- Delivery of scalable next generation induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) derived medicines that address the supply and cost challenges of autologous cell therapy, and the efficacy challenge of allogeneic cell therapy
- > Combining two leading proprietary platforms:
  - Advanced immune cloaking technology to increase persistence
  - > Differentiation to key target cell types in a reproducible and scalable manner
- Founded by CEO Dr. Chad Cowan, scientific cofounder of CRISPR Therapeutics, who is supported by leading experts of the field

Initial investment	2021	
Value	£23.6m	
Financing stage	Series A	



Initial focus on cancer treatment but platform can be applied to other cell types









2023

Initial investment

# **Mosaic Therapeutics**

Leveraging the unprecedented insights of the genomic revolution to develop targeted therapies for cancer

- Oncology therapeutics company with a highly specialised drug discovery platform
- Syncona led a £22.5m syndicated Series A financing, with a £16.5m commitment alongside CIC
- Tumour agnostic drug discovery based upon deep biological understanding of target-disease association, seeking precision oncology drug combinations for biomarker-stratified populations
- Differentiated platform technology provides opportunity for improved success rates and potential for accelerated clinical entry
- Chris Hollowood is Chair of Mosaic, with Lead Partner, Magdalena Jonikas having also joined the Board



Mosaic platform and proprietary technology enables large scale CRISPR and drug screens, supporting drug development against genetically informed targets



# **Kesmalea Therapeutics**

Small molecule drug discovery platform focused on protein homeostasis

An opportunity to create a new generation of oral drugs addressing diseases through modulating protein homeostasis

- ➤ Founded by Dr Harry Finch, a world-class chemist and co-inventor of GSK's Serevent<sup>TM</sup>
- Protein homeostasis company which utilises its small molecule drug discovery platform to address some of the challenges in developing oral therapeutics against targets in areas of high unmet medical need
- Syncona Lead Partner Magdalena Jonikas led the launch of the company and has joined the Board





# Appendix 3 -Sustainability



### Continuing to show a strong commitment to ESG



All data as of 31 March 2023

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# The Syncona Foundation

Supporting excellent charities that are meeting pressing needs within society, particularly those that are related to healthcare systems

Focused on the prevention, treatment, cure and ultimately eradication of cancer and other diseases — as well as other charitable activities

"I am incredibly proud of the support we continue to provide our charities. They are all working hard to assist those people who are in real need."

#### Tom Henderson

Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Syncona Foundation

£45m

Syncona donations to charity since  $2012^1\,$ 

27 Charities supported

0.35%

Of Syncona's NAV donated to charity in the year

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