

# **Investment Profile**

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#### **Rapidly growing pipeline**

Several new assets post IPO Expansion & diversification of portfolio – reducing risk & increasing upside potential

#### Unique capital light model

 Generate early human efficacy data
Rapidly monetise through partnering & licencing deals with pharma / biotech

#### Well capitalised

£20.9m at 31 Dec 2021 Low cash burn & long cash runway Exploring non-dilutive grant funding

### POLB 001 trial starts June 22

Study results H2 2022 Plans to rapidly monetise thereafter

# Booming infectious disease market

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Expected >\$250bn by 2025 Pharma & biotech seeking products to in-licence

#### Breakthrough AI Programme

First time artificial intelligence used to identify drug targets using unique human challenge trial disease progression data

### **Investment Profile**

**Poolbeg Pharma (AIM:POLB, OTCQB:POLBF)** is a clinical stage infectious disease pharmaceutical company, with a capital light clinical model which aims to develop multiple products faster and more cost effectively than the conventional biotech model. The Company, headquartered in London, is led by a team with a track record of creation and delivery of shareholder value and aspires to become a "one-stop shop" for Big Pharma seeking mid-stage products to license or acquire.

The Company is targeting the growing infectious disease market. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, infectious disease has become one of the fastest growing pharma markets and is expected to exceed \$250bn by 2025.

With its initial assets from Open Orphan plc, an industry leading infectious disease and human challenge trials business, Poolbeg has access to knowledge, experience, and clinical data from over 20 years of human challenge trials. The Company is using these insights to acquire new assets as well as reposition clinical stage products, reducing spend and risk. Amongst its portfolio of exciting assets, Poolbeg has a small molecule immunomodulator for severe influenza (POLB 001); a first-in-class, intranasally administered RNA-based immunotherapy for respiratory virus infections (POLB 002); and a vaccine for Melioidosis (POLB 003). The Company is also developing an oral vaccine delivery platform and is progressing two artificial intelligence (AI) drug discovery programmes to accelerate the power of its human challenge model data and biobank.

### **Recent infectious disease deals**

Increased in-licencing deals by Big Pharma & biotech

Pfizer acquire ReViral up to \$525m, April 2022 Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Bav Nordic licence Chinese rights to Nuance Pharma \$12.5M + \$200M. Mar 2022 RSV

### **Share Price Information**

Ticker	POLB
Shares in Issue	500m
Market Cap (25 May 22)	£30m

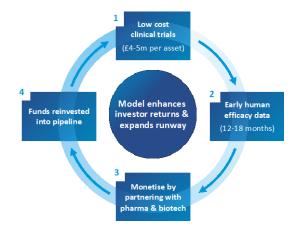
### **Major Shareholders**

Schroder Investment Management	5.13%
Cathal Friel, Co-founder & Chairman	7%

### Unique Capital Light Model

Rapid Development & Frequent Out-Licencing





Merck acquired Oncoimmune \$425m upfront, Nov 2020 COVID-19 Pfizer's Valneva deal, \$130m upfront + \$188m follow-on, April 2020 Lyme Disease



## Rapidly Expanding pipeline of assets developed in-line with capital light model

#### **Product pipeline**

Product Candidate	Program	PreClinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
POLB 001	Severe Influenza treatment	LPS study data	expected H2 '22	5	
POLB 002	Respiratory virus infections treatment & prophylactic			onetisati Zone	
POLB 003	Melioidosis vaccine*			Σ	

#### **Drug Discovery Platforms**

Artificial Intelligence Drug Discovery Programme Influenza	Artificial Intelligence Drug Discovery Programme Respiratory Syncytial Virus ONE THREE BIOTECH	Oral Vaccine Delivery Platform Developing vaccines for multiple indications	Vaccine Discovery Platform Identify vaccine candidates from naturally occurring immune response	PredictViral <sup>TM</sup> Identify patients at risk of developing severe disease early
1 <sup>st</sup> Data - H1 2023	1 <sup>st</sup> Data - H2 2022			

In active discussions for a range of other assets

Pre-IPO

Post-IPO \*Reviewing 5 additional bacterial vaccine candidates from UCD

# POLB 001 – treatment for severe influenza

- 1. Human challenge trial to commence June 22
- 2. Early human efficacy data expected H2 22
- 3. Plan for early monetisation thereafter
- Trial to gather broad dataset increase value
- Patent protected until 2038, expanding IP
- Potential peak sales \$275m+ with label extensions
- Worldwide rights for all uses in humans
- Exploring further disease indications increase value

### **Key Upcoming Milestones**

### **POLB 001**

LPS challenge study data expected before year end 2022 - monetisation commences

### **POLB 002**

Development plan underway

### **POLB 003**

Complete in-licence & evaluation of 5 other vaccine programs

Oral Vaccine Delivery Platform - Development plan underway

RSV AI Drug Programme - Outputs expected in H2 2022

Influenza Al Drug Programme - Outputs expected in H1 2023

Non-dilutive funding - Applications progressing

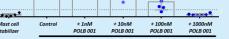
IP Portfolio - Continuing to expand & strengthen



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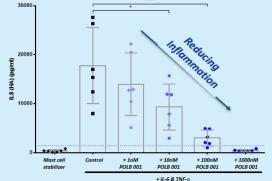
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candidate to reduce disease severity for those most at risk

POLB 001's ability to interrupt the feedback loop of inflammatory mediators that result in a 'cytokine storm' make it an ideal



To simulate hyperinflammatory conditions, immune cells were treated with IL-6 and TNF-α, and IL-8 was used as a marker to measure resulting inflammation. The addition of POLB 001 reversed the inflammatory response in a dose dependent manner.