



Brussels (Belgium), 25 April 2016 – 7:00 (CEST) – regulated information – **UCB First Three Months Interim Report 2016:**

UCB continues its growth path in 2016

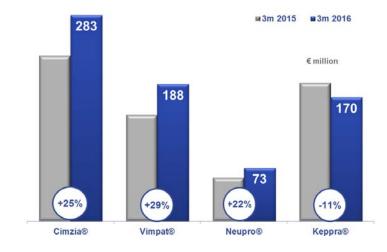
- Product growth drives top line growth
- R&D update: Phase 3 studies FRAME and BRIDGE with romosozumab report positive topline results, topline results from EXXELERATE with Cimzia[®]
- Financial outlook 2016 confirmed

"UCB continues its growth path in 2016, driven by the continued growth of our main products. We are confirming our financial outlook for 2016," said Jean-Christophe Tellier, CEO UCB. "We are growing our product portfolio with approvals of Briviact® in the EU and in North America. We have seen the first positive results from the phase 3 program with romosozumab - here upcoming scientific presentations as well as further results expected in 2017 will complete the very promising profile of *romosozumab* for the treatment of osteoporosis. At the same time, we continue to invest into our attractive pipeline – now encompassing 9 different projects - to deliver future breakthrough solutions for patients."

Financial outlook 2016 confirmed - UCB expects continued growth. 2016 revenue should reach approximately € 4.0 - 4.1 billion; recurring EBITDA² should increase to approximately € 970 - 1 010 million. Core earnings per share are expected in the range of €2.90 - 3.20 based on an expected average of 188 million shares outstanding.

€ million	3M 2016	3M 2015	Variance	
e million	Actual		Actual	CER
Revenue	991	895	11%	9%
Immunology/Cimzia®	283	227	25%	24%
Neurology	434	396	9%	9%
Vimpat [®]	188	146	29%	28%
Keppra [®]	170	190	-11%	-10%
Neupro®	73	60	22%	22%

Revenue reported for the first three months of 2016 are € 991 million, a plus of 11% and 9% at constant exchange rates (CER) driven by the continued growth of UCB's main products: Cimzia[®], Vimpat[®], Neupro[®] and Keppra[®] combined reached net sales of €714 million (+15%):





R&D update

Bone - In February 2016, positive top-line results from the Phase 3 placebo-controlled study in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis (FRAME): FRAME met all coprimary endpoints by reducing the incidence of new vertebral fractures through months 12 and 24 in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis treated with *romosozumab*³. The study also met the secondary endpoint of reducing the incidence of clinical fractures (composite of symptomatic vertebral and nonvertebral fractures) in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis through 12 months. The secondary endpoint of reducing the incidence of non-vertebral fractures through months 12 and 24 was not met.

In March 2016, positive topline results from the phase 3 study evaluating *romosozumab* to raise bone mineral density in men with osteoporosis (BRIDGE): BRIDGE met all primary and secondary endpoints.

These results add to the growing body of positive late-stage results evaluating efficacy and safety of *romosozumab* in patients with osteoporosis.

ARCH, a Phase 3 study in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis assessing reduction in fracture incidence with *romosozumab* compared with an active comparator is expected to report results in 2017.

Immunology – In 2015, the C-EARLY™ trial (52 weeks) in adults with continued severe, active and progressive rheumatoid arthritis not previously treated with methotrexate or other disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drugs demonstrated that Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol) provides significant clinical benefit and inhibition of progression of radiographic damage, supporting the concept of an early window of opportunity for treatment. In February 2016, UCB reported further on the

C-EARLY™ trial from week 52 to 104 and evaluated treatment strategies to sustain a low disease activity state, without a flare, when Cimzia® dosing is maintained, reduced or stopped. A lower number of patients than expected qualified for entry to the second period resulting in outcomes that were clinically meaningful but did not reach statistical significance. Patients who stopped Cimzia® had a tendency to worsen over time.

In March 2016, UCB announced top-line results from **EXXELERATE**, the first head-to-head superiority study of two treatments in the anti-TNF class, comparing Cimzia® plus methotrexate (MTX) to Humira® (adalimumab) plus MTX in adult patients with moderate to severe rheumatoid arthritis who are inadequate responders to MTX. The primary endpoints for superiority were not met, as results between Cimzia[®] and Humira[®] were numerically comparable. This study was designed as a treatment approach in line with core principles of the treat-to-target guidelines, which advocate evaluating response early and ensuring a change in therapy for patients not responding at three months.

In March 2016, **UCB7665** started in a Phase 2a trial in patients with immune thrombocytopenia (ITP). First results are expected in H2 2017.

Neurology - in January 2016, **Vimpat**® (*lacosamide*) as monotherapy in the treatment of adults with partial-onset seizures was filed with the European authorities.

Briviact® (*brivaracetam*) was approved in the EU in January 2016 and in the U.S. in February 2016.

UCB3491, a new treatment option for epilepsy started clinical Phase 1 in January 2016.

All other clinical development programs are continuing as planned.





Net sales

€ million	3M 2016	3M 2015	Actual	CER1
U.S.	175	146	20%	18%
Europe	81	66	21%	23%
Japan	10	0	> 100%	> 100%
International markets	17	14	21%	33%
Total Cimzia®	283	227	25%	24%

Immunology/Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol)
 for people living with inflammatory TNF mediated diseases has net sales of
 € 283 million. Net sales in Japan, reflecting the order pattern of UCB's partner, normalized as expected, with continued inmarket growth.

Net sales in **neurology** compiling net sales of Vimpat[®], Keppra[®] and Briviact[®] as well as Neupro[®] and other are up 9% to €434 million.

UCB's epilepsy franchise is strengthened by the first launches of **Briviact**® (*brivaracetam*) in the EU (Jan.: UK, Feb.: Germany, March: Denmark, Norway) with net sales of €1 million.

€ million	3M 2016	3M 2015	Actual	CER
U.S.	145	109	33%	31%
Europe	35	31	16%	16%
International markets	8	7	22%	33%
Total Vimpat®	188	146	29%	28%

Vimpat[®] (*lacosamide*) is reaching more and more people living with epilepsy. Continuing its growth trend, Vimpat[®] achieved net sales of €188 million. Since Q4 2014, Vimpat[®] is also available for monotherapy treatment of partial onset seizures in the U.S.

€ million	3M 2016	3M 2015	Actual	CER
U.S.	51	63	-18%	-20%
Europe	60	64	-7%	-6%
Japan	25	25	0%	-6%
International markets	33	38	-13%	-6%
Total Keppra®	170	190	-11%	-10%

Keppra® (*levetiracetam*) for epilepsy had net sales of €170 million (-11%). In 2015 and in the U.S., Keppra® benefited from stocking effects which -as expected- did not reoccur. For Japan and International markets, the inmarket growth is positive while net sales reported were impacted by different shipment patterns than in 2015.

€ million	3M 2016	3M 2015	Actual	CER
U.S.	20	16	23%	20%
Europe	38	36	7%	7%
Japan	12	6	> 100%	> 100%
International markets	3	2	46%	60%
Total Neupro®	73	60	22%	22%

Neupro® (*rotigotine*), the patch for Parkinson's disease and restless legs syndrome, continuing its growth trend reached net sales of €73 million.



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