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UCB First Nine Months Interim Report 2017:

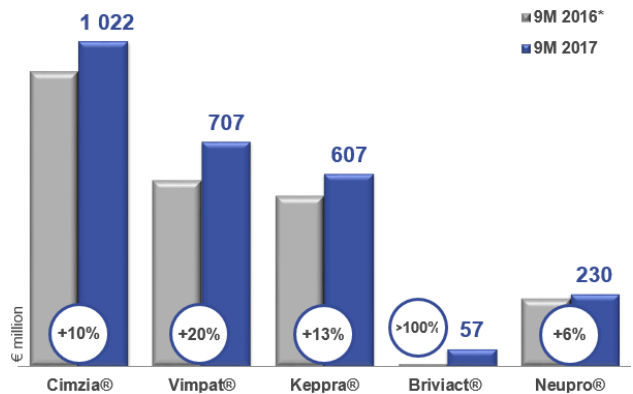
UCB: Strong 9 months performance allows for increase of 2017 financial outlook

- Revenue increased to € 3.3 billion, by 9%; main products grew by 15% to € 2.6 billion
- R&D update: Briviact® approved as monotherapy in the U.S. Vimpat® approved as monotherapy in Japan and for children as add-on therapy in the EU.
- Financial outlook 2017 increased: Now revenue expected between €4.4 - 4.5bn. REBITDA between €1.25 - 1.35bn, Core EPS between €4.10 – 4.50

"UCB has delivered a good first nine months of the year 2017. This good performance allows us to increase our earnings guidance for 2017," said Jean-Christophe Tellier, CEO UCB. "We are also pleased with the approvals for Vimpat® for children and Briviact® as monotherapy continuing to bring new treatment options for people living with epilepsy. At the same time we progress our promising pipeline where we also have seen positive results for bimekizumab in psoriasis - opening promising new therapy options for patients."

Revenue for the first nine months of 2017 increased to € 3.3 billion, by 9% at actual and at constant exchange rates (CER). Adjusted by product divestitures in 2016, the revenue growth was 14%. Core driver of the continued growth are UCB's main products, Cimzia®, Vimpat®, Keppra®, Briviact® and Neupro® with combined net sales of € 2.6 billion, a plus of 15%.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Actual	CER
Revenue	3 331	3 042	9%	9%
Immunology / Cimzia®	1 022	927	10%	10%
Neurology	1 601	1352	18%	19%
Vimpat®	707	586	20%	20%
Keppra®	607	538	13%	14%
Briviact®	57	11	> 100%	> 100%
Neupro®	230	217	6%	6%



Financial outlook 2017 increased - UCB now expects 2017 revenue to reach € 4.4. - 4.5 billion; recurring EBITDA¹ should increase to € 1.25 – 1.35 billion. Core earnings per share are expected in the range of € 4.10 – 4.50 based on an expected average of 188 million shares outstanding.

*2016 figures have been restated reflecting IFRS 15 implementation in 2017

¹ EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization charges

CER = constant exchange rates; All figures are unaudited.

R&D update

Immunology

In July, UCB and its partner Dermira submitted a marketing application to EU and U.S. regulatory authorities for **Cimzia**[®] (*certolizumab pegol*) in psoriasis which were accepted for filing in August and October, respectively.

In July, **bimekizumab** demonstrated positive results in a Phase 2b study in patients with psoriasis. Up to 79% of patients achieved at least 90% skin clearance at week 12 (primary endpoint), and up to 60% of patients achieved complete skin clearance at week 12, a secondary efficacy endpoint.

UCB advances the phase 3 clinical development program in psoriasis with the first study scheduled to start by the end of the year.

Phase 2b clinical trials with **bimekizumab** in psoriatic arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis are ongoing with first results now expected earlier, in Q1 2018.

Neurology

In August, the Japanese health authorities approved **Vimpat**[®] (*lacosamide*) for use as monotherapy for partial-onset seizure in adult patients with epilepsy.

In September, the European Medicines Agency approved **Vimpat**[®] for the treatment of epilepsy in children from four to sixteen years of age.

In July, UCB filed a marketing authorization in the EU for **Briviact**[®] (*brivaracetam*) for children with epilepsy of four years of age and older, for the adjunctive treatment of partial-onset seizures and with the U.S. authorities for the monotherapy and adjunctive treatment.

In September, in the U.S., **Briviact**[®] was approved as monotherapy for partial-onset (focal) seizures in September.

Bone

In July, the U.S. authorities issued a Complete Response Letter for the Biologics License Application for **EVENTITY**[™] (*romosozumab*) as a treatment for postmenopausal women with osteoporosis. This request will be addressed in the form of a resubmission within the timeline of the complete response letter, which is an extension of the current review in the U.S. All phase 3 data being evaluated to ensure most comprehensive view and understanding of what was observed with respect to the cardiovascular signal in ARCH will be included in the resubmission.

All other clinical development programs are continuing as planned.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Act	CER
U.S.	656	590	11%	11%
Europe	271	250	8%	9%
Japan	25	25	2%	5%
International markets	70	62	13%	13%
Total Cimzia®	1,022	927	10%	10%

Immunology

Cimzia® (*certolizumab pegol*) for people living with inflammatory TNF mediated diseases provided net sales of € 1.0 billion, thanks to continued growth in all markets. In Japan, net sales with UCB's partner Astellas had different shipment patterns compared to last year.

Net sales in **neurology** with the anti-epileptic drugs Vimpat®, Keppra® and Briviact® as well as Neupro® for Parkinson's disease increased by 18% to € 1.6 billion.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Act	CER
U.S.	540	446	21%	20%
Europe	128	111	15%	16%
Japan	8	3	> 100%	> 100%
International markets	31	26	18%	15%
Total Vimpat®	707	586	20%	20%

Vimpat® (*lacosamide*) continues to reach more and more people living with partial onset seizure epilepsy and achieved net sales of € 707 million. Since August 2016, Vimpat® is also available in Japan, in partnership with Daiichi Sankyo. Since December 2016, it is approved for monotherapy in the EU.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Act	CER
U.S.	173	150	15%	15%
Europe	178	181	-2%	-1%
Japan	125	62	62%	67%
International markets	131	129	2%	4%
Total Keppra®	607	538	13%	14%

Keppra® (*levetiracetam*) for epilepsy reached net sales of € 607 million thanks to growth in mainly driven Japan and the U.S. In Japan, E Keppra® net sales with partner Otsuka also reflect different shipment patterns compared to last year.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Act	CER
U.S.	40	5	> 100%	> 100%
Europe	16	6	> 100%	> 100%
International markets	1	0	> 100%	> 100%
Total Briviact®	57	11	> 100%	> 100%

Briviact® (*brivaracetam*), available for people living with epilepsy in the EU since January 2016 and in the U.S. since June 2016, reached net sales of € 57 million.

€ million	9M 2017	9M 2016*	Act	CER
U.S.	72	58	24%	23%
Europe	122	118	3%	4%
Japan	26	30	-15%	-15%
International markets	10	10	-1%	-4%
Total Neupro®	230	217	6%	6%

Neupro® (*rotigotine*), the patch for Parkinson's disease reached net sales of € 230 million. In Japan, net sales with UCB's partner Otsuka reflect different shipment patterns compared to last year. The in-market performance of Neupro® in Japan shows continued growth.

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