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UCB First Three Months Interim Report 2018:

UCB tracking well towards full year financial outlook

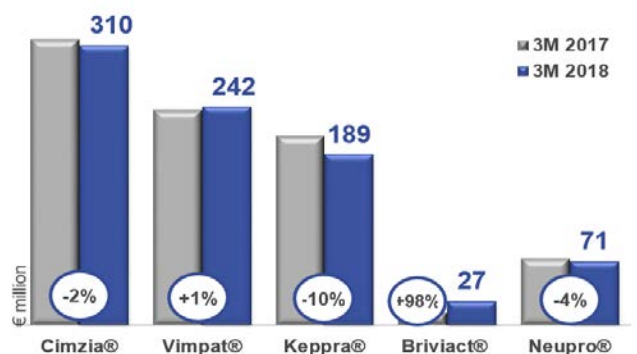
- Revenue reached € 1.07 billion: -5%, -1% CER;
 adjusted for allergy drug divestiture in 2017: +0%; +4% CER
- UCB's main five products reached € 839 million (-2%, +8% CER)
- R&D update: Cimzia® available for women with chronic inflammatory disease throughout the pregnancy journey; UCB0107 enters clinical phase 1; Element Genomics strengthens research platform; agreement to acquire *midazolam* nasal spray in epilepsy
- Financial outlook 2018 confirmed: Revenue expected to reach € 4.5 - 4.6 billion, recurring EBITDA² should reach € 1.3 - 1.4 billion, Core EPS of € 4.30 - 4.70

"As expected and reflected in our financial outlook for 2018, we see headwind from foreign exchange rates. At constant exchange rates, UCB's growth drivers, our main products, are showing good continued growth. The label extension for Cimzia® enable us to create further value for our patients," said Jean-Christophe Tellier, CEO UCB. "Our promising pipeline, now encompassing 13 new molecular entities, is making good progress. Also, our research platform is strengthened by Element Genomics in the U.S. Our epilepsy portfolio will be strengthened with the addition of midazolam nasal spray."

Revenue for the first three months of 2018 reached € 1.07 billion, -5% at actual and -1% at constant exchange rates (CER). Adjusted by the one-time other revenue in Q1 2017 of € 56 million for out-licensing the OTC-allergy drug Xyzal® (*levoceterizine*), revenue was flat and grew by 4% CER.

Core driver of the continued growth are UCB's main products, Cimzia®, Vimpat®, Keppra®, Briviact® and Neupro® with combined net sales of € 839 million, -2% actual; +8% CER.

€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
Revenue	1 070	1 124	-5%	-1%
Immunology / Cimzia®	310	317	-2%	8%
Neurology	529	537	-1%	8%
Vimpat®	242	239	1%	13%
Keppra®	189	210	-10%	-3%
Briviact®	27	14	98%	> 100%
Neupro®	71	74	-4%	1%



Financial outlook 2018 confirmed

2018 revenue is expected to reach approximately € 4.5 – 4.6 billion. Recurring EBITDA in the range of € 1.3 – 1.4 billion. Core earnings per share are therefore expected in the range of € 4.30 – 4.70 based on an average of 188 million shares outstanding.

¹ EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization charges
 CER = constant exchange rates; All figures are unaudited.

R&D update

In March, UCB acquired Element Genomics in the U.S. to strengthen UCB's genomics and epigenomics research platform to identify novel drug targets.

Neurology

In January 2018, UCB filed **Vimpat**[®] (*lacosamide*) for pediatric patients living with partial-onset epilepsy at four years and older in Japan.

In February 2018, the phase 2b study with **padsevonil** started for drug resistant epilepsy patients. First results are expected in H1 2020.

In March 2018, **UCB0107**, a humanized, immunoglobulin monoclonal antibody with a specificity for human tau, entered the clinical phase 1 program. It is currently under investigation within UCB for the potential treatment of tauopathies, a group of incurable neurodegenerative diseases that include progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) and Alzheimer's disease (AD). Pre-clinical data show that UCB0107 has greater efficacy in a seeding model using human AD and PSP seeds when compared with other antibodies.

In April, UCB took a step toward expanding its epilepsy portfolio with the signing of an agreement for the strategic acquisition (subject to the required antitrust filing and waiting period and customary closing conditions) of **midazolam nasal spray** (USL261) from Proximagen. USL261 is a nasally administered investigational midazolam formulation intended

as a rescue treatment of acute repetitive seizures in patients with epilepsy, which has completed Phase 3 clinical development and is expected to be filed as a New Drug Application in the U.S. in the course of 2018.

Immunology

A label update for **Cimzia**[®] (*certolizumab pegol*) in pregnancy and breastfeeding was approved in Europe (January 2018) and in the U.S. (March 2018), making it the first anti-TNF treatment option that could be considered for women with chronic inflammatory disease throughout the pregnancy journey.

In March, the Cimzia[®] pre-filled syringe received approval in the U.S. for the option to store it at room temperature for a single period of up to 7 days, within the approved shelf-life, thus helping better address patient needs.

Also in March 2018, UCB announced the filing of Cimzia[®] with the China Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of moderate-to-severe rheumatoid arthritis.

All other clinical development programs are continuing as planned.



€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
U.S.	180	200	-10%	4%
Europe	92	84	10%	11%
International markets	38	34	12%	24%
Total Cimzia®	310	317	-2%	8%

Immunology

Cimzia® (*certolizumab pegol*) for people living with inflammatory TNF mediated diseases contributed net sales of € 310 million. In the U.S., increased competitive intensity in the Crohn's Disease market impacted the net sales growth.

€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
U.S.	177	186	-5%	10%
Europe	48	40	22%	22%
International markets	16	13	22%	35%
Total Vimpat®	242	239	1%	13%

Neurology

Vimpat® (*lacosamide*) continues to reach more and more people living with partial onset seizure epilepsy, shows continuous strong growth and achieved net sales of € 242 million.

€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
U.S.	36	52	-31%	-20%
Europe	56	61	-8%	-7%
International markets	96	96	0%	9%
Total Keppra®	189	210	-10%	-3%

Keppra® (*levetiracetam*) for epilepsy reached net sales of € 189 million, due to a normalized situation in the U.S. and good growth in international markets.

€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
U.S.	21	11	93%	> 100%
Europe	6	3	> 100%	> 100%
International markets	0	0	> 100%	> 100%
Total Briviact®	27	14	98%	> 100%

Briviact® (*brivaracetam*), available for people living with epilepsy continues to show very strong growth and achieved net sales of € 27 million.

€ million	3M 2018	3M 2017	Act	CER
U.S.	21	24	-10%	4%
Europe	43	39	10%	10%
International markets	7	11	-40%	-34%
Total Neupro®	71	74	-4%	1%

Neupro® (*rotigotine*), the patch for Parkinson's disease reached net sales of € 71 million. While showing continuous growth in U.S. and Europe, international markets show a decrease due to different shipment patterns compared to last year for Japan. In-market growth in Japan is unchanged strong with a plus of 9% in the first quarter.

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