

# CLINUVEL

## COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

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### **EMA approves year-round SCENESSE® treatment**

*CHMP removes recommended maximum dose, issues positive opinion on  
benefit-risk of year-round treatment*

#### **Executive summary**

- European label allows one implant every two months, removing recommended maximum dose and harmonising label with US FDA
- Over 15 years of clinical trial data and Real World Evidence reviewed
- CHMP determine no change in positive benefit-risk profile from uninterrupted dosing

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) has agreed to amend the label for CLINUVEL's photoprotective drug SCENESSE® (afamelanotide), enabling adult erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP) patients to receive treatment every two months. The label removes a recommended maximum annual dose of four implants per year and harmonises treatment posology in Europe with the USA, where many patients receive year-round therapy.

#### **CHMP evaluate clinical trial data, Real World Evidence**

The EMA's Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) issued a positive opinion on the benefit-risk profile of year-round SCENESSE® treatment following extensive engagement with CLINUVEL's team.

The Committee evaluated data from two Phase III studies (CUV039 and CUV029) and Real World Evidence captured from over 15 years of SCENESSE® use under compassionate, special access and commercial programs. The data package included a review of the safety and effectiveness profile of SCENESSE® in the European patients who have received four or more implants in any one calendar year.

Recognising the clinical need for EPP patients to receive year-round treatment, the CHMP concluded that there were no significant safety concerns with the ongoing administration of SCENESSE® every two months. This variation can now be implemented immediately.

CLINUVEL has committed to maintaining its obligations under a strict risk management plan for SCENESSE® in Europe, including continuing to collect safety and effectiveness outcomes data in EPP patients through the European EPP Disease Registry. The Registry comprises the largest database of EPP patients globally with nearly a decade of health, safety and treatment data available for analyses.

#### **Commentary**

"A decade after EMA's approval of SCENESSE® we have generated a much deeper, richer pool of data helping to define the drug's benefit-risk profile, with a dossier that supports year-round patient dosing," CLINUVEL's Chief Scientific Officer, Dr Dennis Wright said. "We have received ongoing requests from EPP expert physicians to facilitate year-round treatment in Europe and we are pleased that the CHMP's positive opinion will enable EPP patients to receive year-round treatment for this very debilitating condition. There was a strong logic to removing the maximum dose restriction in Europe, which has now been validated by the CHMP. It also harmonises the label with the USA.

“Since we are administering SCENESSE® in vitiligo at higher frequency of one dose every three weeks, it is obvious that both programs – EPP and vitiligo – assist us in compiling our next regulatory dossier with robust safety data,” Dr Wright said.

### **EPP – debilitating phototoxicity**

Due to an inherited genetic defect, EPP patients accumulate and store excessive phototoxic compounds (known as protoporphyrins) in their bodies, including in the liver and skin. When exposed to visible light, including sunlight, protoporphyrins produce free radicals which damage and destroy surrounding tissue.

From infancy, EPP patients experience bullous cutaneous phototoxic reactions, described as akin to lava flowing underneath the skin, which render them unable to function for days or weeks. Repeated reactions result in scarring and thickening of the skin, especially on the back of the hands, nose and forehead. Most patients are forced to adapt their lives from an early age to avoid light exposure, resulting in severe psychosocial impacts.

SCENESSE® is the only approved therapy for EPP. The drug has been shown to reduce phototoxic reactions in adult EPP patients, enabling them to lead more normal lives. To date, over 18,500 doses of SCENESSE® have been administered to EPP patients worldwide.

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### **About CLINUVEL PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED**

CLINUVEL (ASX: CUV; ADR LEVEL I: CLVLY; Börse Frankfurt: UR9) is a global specialty pharmaceutical group focused on developing and commercialising treatments for patients with genetic, metabolic, systemic, and life-threatening, acute disorders, as well as healthcare solutions for specialised populations. As pioneers in photomedicine and the family of melanocortin peptides, CLINUVEL’s research and development has led to innovative treatments for patient populations with a clinical need for systemic photoprotection, assisted DNA repair, repigmentation and acute or life-threatening conditions who lack alternatives.

CLINUVEL’s lead therapy, SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg), is approved for commercial distribution in Europe, the USA, Israel, and Australia as the world’s first systemic photoprotective drug for the prevention of phototoxicity (anaphylactoid reactions and burns) in adult patients with erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP). Headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, CLINUVEL has operations in Europe, Singapore, and the USA. For more information, please go to <https://www.clinuvel.com>.

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