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Recce to Present at MST Access Investor Conference

**Sydney Australia, 17 June 2021:** Recce Pharmaceuticals Ltd (**ASX:RCE**) (**FSE:R9Q**) (**Company**), is pleased to announce that it has been invited to present at the MST Access Australian Micro & Small Caps Conference 2021.

Presentation is to be given by CEO Mr James Graham today, Thursday 17 June at 12.30pm AEST.

Please find attached the presentation. To join, please click the webinar link below:

https://mstfinancial-au.zoom.us/j/82826045695

This announcement has been approved for release by Recce Pharmaceuticals CEO

**About Recce Pharmaceuticals Ltd** 

Recce Pharmaceuticals Ltd (ASX: RCE) is pioneering the development and commercialisation of New Classes of Synthetic Anti-Infectives designed to address the urgent global health problems of antibiotic resistant superbugs and emerging viral pathogens.

Recce's anti-infective pipeline is unique and comprised of broad-spectrum synthetic polymer antibiotics RECCE® 327, RECCE® 435, and RECCE® 529 for viral infections with unique mechanisms of action against hyper-mutation on bacteria and viruses, respectively.

Patented lead candidate RECCE® 327 as an intravenous therapy, is being developed for treatment of serious and potentially life-threatening infections including sepsis due to Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria including their superbug forms. Recce's new antibiotic compound, RECCE® 435, has been formulated for oral use.

The FDA has awarded RECCE® 327 *Qualified Infectious Disease Product* designation under the *Generating Antibiotic Initiatives Now* (GAIN) Act – labelling it for Fast Track Designation, plus 10 years of market exclusivity post approval. Further to this designation, RECCE® 327 has been included on The Pew Charitable Trusts *Global New Antibiotics in Development Pipeline* as the only synthetic polymer and sepsis drug candidate in development.

Recce wholly owns its automated manufacturing, ready to support first-in-human clinical trials. Recce's anti-infective pipeline seeks to exploit the unique capabilities of RECCE® technologies targeting synergistic, unmet medical needs.





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### **Management Structure**



**Dr John Prendergast** – Chairman BSc (Hons), MSc (UNSW), PhD (UNSW), CSS (HU)

US based, current Chairman and Co-founder of Palatin Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: PTN) and Lead Director of Heat Biologics, Inc. (NASDAQ: HTBX) – extensive experience in the international commercialisation of pharmaceutical technologies.



James Graham – Chief Executive Officer BCom (Entrepreneurship), GAICD

5 years as former Executive Director. Invested along-side shareholders in most capital rounds since inception. Background in marketing, business development and commercialisation of early-stage technologies.

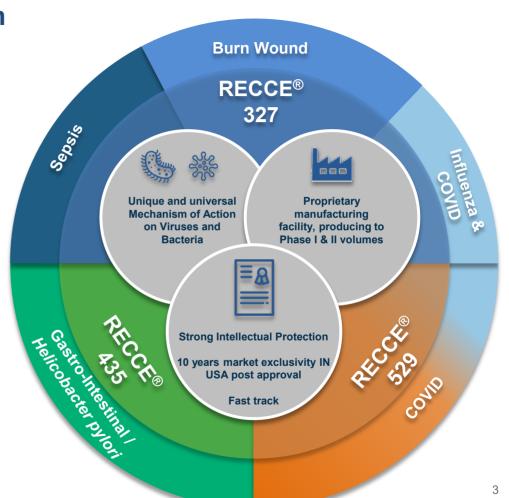


Michele Dilizia – Chief Scientific Officer BSc (Med Sci), Grad Dip Bus (Mkting), BA (Journ), GAICD, MASM

Co-inventor and qualified medical scientist; specialisation in medical microbiology and regulatory affairs requirements.

A Versatile Technology Platform

- ► Anti-infective focused Biotech company targeting both bacterial and viral indications
- ▶ Strong IP and own manufacturing capability
- Versatile platform delivering oral, intravenous and spray formulations for a range of usecases
- Designed to safely provide treatment without developing resistance over time
- ► Multiple opportunities with RECCE® 327 interim first in human data expected in 2021





## 327





### **Strong Pipeline**

### **Over Various Indications and Upcoming Inflection Points**

.d.	Asset Route of administration	Indications	Discovery	Preclinical	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Next data readout	Market Size
ク	Anti-bacterial programs								
	R327 Intravenous & Intranasal	Serious/life threatening bacterial infections including sepsis				_	$\neg$	Phase I interim data readout Q4 2021	47-50 million cases worldwide
		Pre-sepsis - kidney & UTI infections		)			To start post Phase II in sepsis		
	R327 Topical	Wound infections including infected burns						Phase I/II readout Q4 2021	11 million burn wound cases requiring medical intervention. Majority of which escalate to infection
	R435 Oral R529	Helicobacter pylori in stomach ulcers							Up to 4.4 billion worldwide
	Anti-viral programs								
	R327 Nasal	COVID & Influenza							
	R529 IV and Intranasal	COVID							

## RECCE® 327 as an Antibiotic





### **Natural Antibiotics vs Synthetic Antibiotics**



**Natural Antibiotics** 

- Pre-formed natural superbugs
- All Fungi or Bacteria based
  - "Penicillin allergy is the most common drug allergy and is reported in up to 15 percent of hospitalized patients" 1
- Only as good as what's found in nature
- Has always had naturally occurring superbugs, now multiplying out of control!



- NO pre-formed natural superbugs
- Entirely man-made and designed with purpose
- Universal Mechanism of Action detailed experimentation demonstrates it does not succumb to superbugs
- Contains only what we want not reliant on what's found in nature
- ▶ Broad Spectrum capability and maintains its activity even with repeated use!

### Sepsis – it's a big problem!

48.9 million incident cases of sepsis recorded worldwide<sup>1</sup>

11 million sepsis related deaths recorded<sup>2</sup> One in three patients who die in hospital have sepsis<sup>3</sup>













- ▶ Sepsis is a life-threatening inflammatory response to infection that has spread in the body.
  - Kills more people in the US than prostate, breast cancer and HIV/AIDS combined.<sup>4</sup>
- ▶ Has been the most expensive condition to treat in the last 8 years double the average cost per stay across all other conditions.5
- Currently no drug therapies specifically for the treatment of sepsis.<sup>6</sup>
- 1.2.3 The Lancet 4 - BioMed Central
- 5 University of Texas
- 6 International Medicine Journal RACP



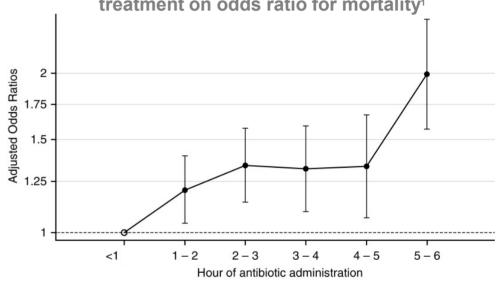


### **Treatment Paradigm**

- ▶ Current treatment paradigm relies on:
  - ► Introducing broad spectrum antibiotic(s)
  - ► Running antibiograms
  - Adjusting antibiotics based on antibiogram results







Early treatment with the correct antibiotic is key to patients' outcome

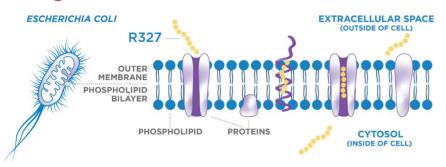
Mortality from sepsis increases by as much as 8% for every hour that treatment is delayed<sup>2</sup>





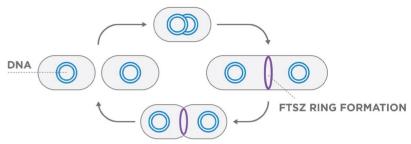
### **Hypothesized Mechanism of Action**

#### Stage 1



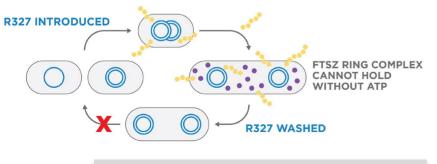
R327 permeabilizes cell membrane & enters the cell

#### Stage 2



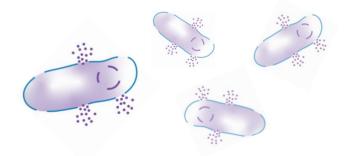
R327 interrupts bacterial cellular energetics via ATP Synthesis

### Stage 3



Cellular division & non-dividing cell functions are disrupted

#### Stage 4

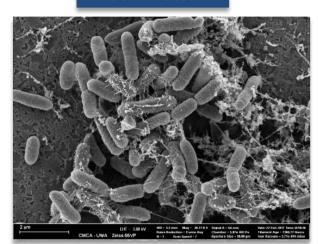


R327 rapidly & irreversibly bactericidal & at high concentrations cell lysis

### **RECCE® 327 Mechanism of Action in practice**

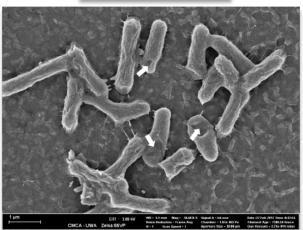


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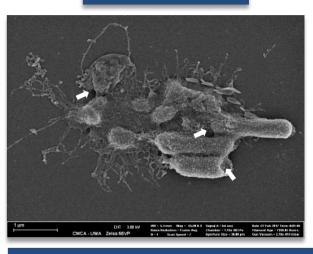
Before application of R327, the E. coli bacteria cells are healthy, smooth and intact

#### 20 minutes



After application of R327, the *E. coli* bacteria cell membrane begins to weaken and is disrupted

#### 180 minutes



E. coli bacteria cells (10e6 cfu/ml) having their outer membrane weakened – and bursting from treatment with R327 (1000 ppm)





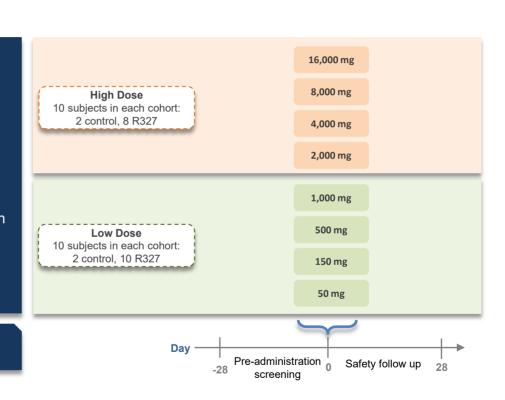


### Phase I Human Clinical Trial

#### Safety and Tolerability Interim Data Expected Late 2021

- Study to assess IV infusion of RECCE® 327 in 80 healthy male subjects as a single ascending dose
- Formal subject recruitment expected to open for enrolments shortly
- Randomized, double blind, placebo controlled, safety, tolerability and pharmacokinetics study
- Single dose of a 1-hour via IV infusion at a uniform rate in hospital setting
- Primary endpoint: vital signs, 12-lead ECG parameters, clinical chemistry, hematology, and urinalysis.

Interim data expected late-2021 Full data expected early-2022







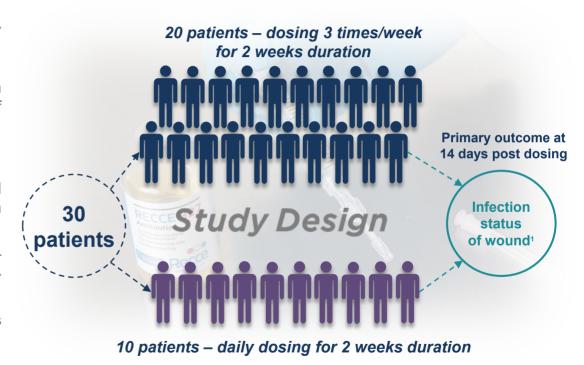
### Topical RECCE® 327 - Phase I/II

#### Burn wound infections - Interim Data expected in Q3 2021

- ► Phase I/II to assess Topical RECCE® 327 Topical in burn wound infections
- Sponsored by the South Metropolitan Health Service, Department of Health, Government of Western Australia

#### ► Trial Investigators:

- Dr Edward Raby (Clinical Microbiologist and Infectious Diseases expert at Royal Perth and Fiona Stanley Hospitals)
- Professor Fiona Wood (Head of Burns) world-renowned burns specialist and sprayon skin pioneer
- Dr Chris Heath (Head of Infectious Diseases)
- ▶ Full data expected in Q4 2021







### **Burn Wound Infections Affects ~60%¹ of Patients**

# 11 million cases requiring medical intervention annually<sup>2</sup>

MRSA one of the leading organisms causing invasive infection in burns across the world, burn units reporting rates of infection greater than 50%<sup>3</sup>

Multiple studies over the last decade have shown that 42%–65% of deaths in burn victims are attributable to infection<sup>4</sup>



<sup>2 -</sup> https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/burns





<sup>3 -</sup> https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4790211/#:~:text=aureus%20now%20is%20one%20of,%25%20%5B9%2C10%5D

<sup>4 -</sup> https://academic.oup.com/cid/article/65/12/2130/4372276

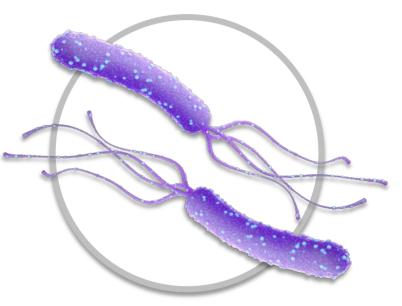
# **RECCE® 435 - Targeting Helicobacter pylori**



### R435 in Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori) infection

#### **Potency as an Oral Formulation**

- ► *H. pylori* is a common type of bacteria that grows in the digestive tract and has a tendency to attack the stomach lining
- ▶ It is **estimated to affect 4.4 billion people worldwide** (over half of the global population)
- Approximately 89% of all gastric cancers are attributed to H. pylori infection and the eradication of this infection has known to reduce gastric cancer incidence
- ► Global unmet medical need for the treatment of *H. pylori* with no first-line therapy curative in all patients
- Recce in agreement with Murdoch Children's Research Institute to conduct pre-clinical studies to tackle this deadly pathogen
- ▶ RECCE® 435's potential as an oral formulation to be assessed for the treatment of *H. pylori* infections



Helicobacter pylori





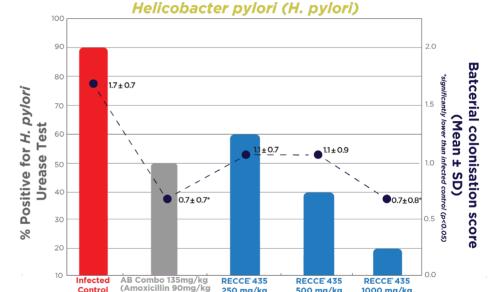
### **RECCE® 435 Efficacy**

#### Efficacious at Reducing H. pylori Colonisation

- Dose-dependent efficacy was seen at all doses with significant reduction in bacterial load
- High solubility and antibacterial effect supportive of a 'targeted' oral therapy for stomach infection
- ▶ Two weeks post infection with bacteria isolated from a duodenal ulcer patient, rats were treated twice a day for 7 days with:

10 rats Control	No treatment
10 rats Control	Amoxicillin + Clarithromycin
10 rats Treatment 1	RECCE® 435 250 mg/kg
10 rats Treatment 2	RECCE® 435 500 mg/kg
10 rats Treatment 3	RECCE® 435 1,000 mg/kg

#### RECCE® 435 Oral Rat Study



Crown	Croup ID	D-4-	Ureas	e test	% Positive for H. pylori	
Group	Group ID	Rats	Positive	Negative	[Urease Test]	
1	Uninfected control	10	0	10	0	
2	Infected control	10	9	1	90	
3	AB Combo 135 mg/kg (Amoxicillin 90 mg/kg + Clarithromycin 45 mg/kg)	10	5	5	50	
4	Infected + RECCE® 435 - 250 mg/kg	10	6	4	60	
5	Infected + RECCE® 435 - 500 mg/kg	10	4	6	40	
6	Infected + RECCE® 435 - 1000 mg/kg	10	2	8	20	

250 ma/ka

Clarithromycin 45mg/kg)

500 mg/kg

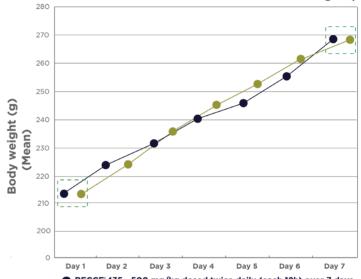
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### **RECCE® 435 Safety Oral Study in Rats**

- ▶ RECCE® 435 / Vehicle were administered twice daily for 7 days
- Data indicates their feeding habits, which contributes to weight gain
  - ► RECCE® 435 had no impact on weight gain/loss vs control
  - Supports overall general and gastrointestinal health





RECCE 435 - 500 mg/kg dosed twice daily (each 12h) over 7 days

Vehicle Water - dosed twice daily (each 12h) over 7 days

Mean body weight vehicle and RECCI	Body weight (g) (Mean ± SD)						
Days	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Vehicle Water – dosed twice daily (each 12h) over 7 days	213 ± 8.09	224.4 ± 6.73	236.2 ± 4.82	246 ± 5.15	253.2 ± 4.15	262.6 ± 3.65	268.2 ± 5.81
RECCE® 435 - 500 mg/kg dosed twice daily (each 12h) over 7 days	213.4 ± 4.56	223.4 ± 9.32	231.6 ± 7.7	240 ± 4.74	246.8 ± 5.89	255.2 ± 9.65	269.4 ± 5.77



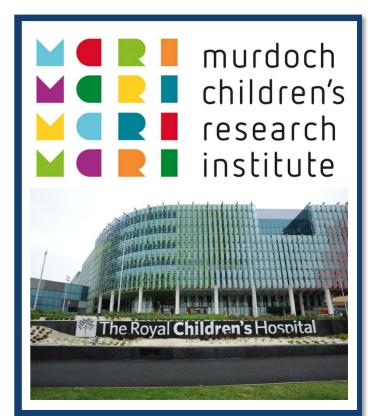




### **R435 Pre-clinical Studies**

#### Further Pre-clinical Studies planned with R435 against H. pylori

- ► Murdoch Children's Research Institute (MCRI) to evaluate *in-vivo* antimicrobial activity of RECCE® 435 oral formulation against *H. pylori* in pre-clinical studies program
- ▶ Study led by *H. pylori* infectious disease expert Prof. Philip Sutton
  - ▶ Using mice as a highly validated animal model for *H. pylori*
- ► MCRI is one of the top three children's health research institutes worldwide for research quality and impact
- ▶ Recce and MCRI will work together on the oral antibiotic dosing program with a particular focus on optimal dosing and the effect of RECCE® 435
- Anticipated completion at approximately mid-2022, at which time Recce may pursue a human clinical trial second half of 2022







# RECCE® 327 and RECCE® 529 as Anti-virals against COVID-19



### **SARS-CoV-2 Antiviral Program**



Despite vaccinations availability, an effective pharmaceutical treatment against all current and future strains of COVID-19 is needed to gain control over the global pandemic



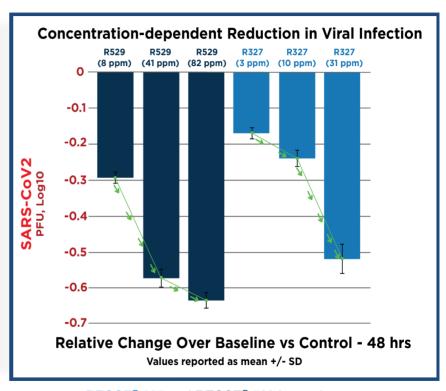
RECCE® 327 was selected as priority 1 test candidate for testing against COVID-19 - in the Australian government SARS-CoV-2 Antiviral program



Therapeutic anti-viral treatment focus with added potential benefit **against secondary bacterial infections** 



Studies in mammalian cells showed safety and efficacy in preclinical studies



RECCE® 327 and RECCE® 529 have shown concentration-dependent reduction of SARS-CoV-2 virus in Vero (monkey) cells

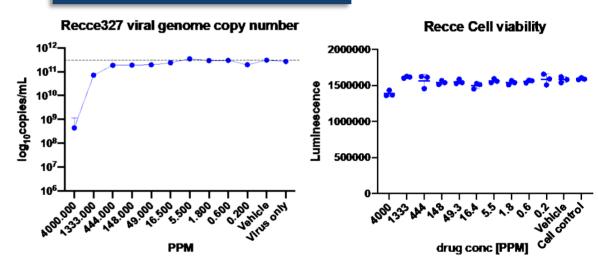




### **SARS-CoV-2 Antiviral Program**

- ► At 4,000ppm, RECCE® 327 demonstrated *in-vitro*:
  - ▶ 99.9% efficacious with a 3-log drop in viral genome copies
  - ▶ No virus detectable by virus titration
  - Some cytotoxicity detected at 4,000ppm but not at lower concentration
- International in-vivo studies expanded to include new UK and South African COVID strains.

#### RECCE 327 RT-PCR and Cell Viability Data

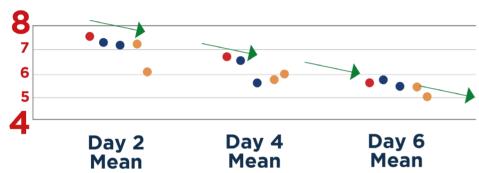




### **Nasal administration**

RECCE® 327 and RECCE® 529 in Hamsters

### **Nasal Wash Viral Titres in Hamsters**



#### Key

og10 genomes/uL

- Placebo (Saline Wash)
- R327 Low (200 mg/kg)
- R327 High (400 mg/kg)
- R529 Low (100 mg/kg)
- R529 High (200 mg/kg)

# Understanding logs\* A 1-log kill is a 90% reduction A 2-log kill is a 99% reduction

A 3-log kill is a 99.9% reduction

#### 5 groups with 8 hamsters each, administrated with:

Saline	R327	R327	R529	R529
nasal wash	200 mg/kg	400 mg/kg	100 mg/kg	200 mg/kg

Drug administrated twice daily for 5 days qPCR of samples from nasal wash at day 2,4,6

- RECCE® 327 and RECCE® 529 demonstrated dose-dependent activity in-vivo against SARS-CoV-2 virus in Syrian golden hamsters
- Data conveyed a mean log reduction within groups on Day 4 where low R529 dose achieved a log reduction in the order of 1.5 logs and a high dose of R327 achieved log reduction of 1.25 logs





## Full Control through Strong IP and Manufacturing



### **Patents**

#### Three families across all major markets

Recce's patent portfolio includes more than 20 issued patents and patent applications in the world's major markets, including the United States, Europe, Japan, China and Australia.

Filed	Patent Family 1	Expiry	Patent Family 2	Expiry	Patent Family 3	Expiry
Australia	✓	2028	✓	2035	Pending	2037
USA	<b>√</b>	2029	✓	2035	Allowed	2037
Europe	✓	2028	✓	2035	✓	2037
Japan	✓	2028	✓	2035	✓	2037
China	✓	2028	Pending	2035	Allowed	2037

✓ Granted

### Patent Family 1 – Antimicrobial Polymers and their Compositions

► Family 1 group relates to the Company's unique and highly economical manufacturing process and use of the polymer in treatment of diseases

### Patent Family 2 – Copolymer for use in Method of Treatment of a Parenteral Infection

► Family 2 relates to the method of manufacture, administration and application to treat a broad range of common human infections.

### Patent Family 3 – Anti-Virus Agent and Method for Treatment of Viral Infection

 Family 3 relates to a method of treatment of a broad range of viral infections, particularly parenteral viral infection

### **Insourced Manufacturing Capabilities**



Wholly owned, automated manufacturing facility in Sydney's Macquarie Park



- Raw materials plentiful and cheap few \$/Kg
- ▶ No expensive waste 99.9% product yield



- Automated manufacture process taking approximately 1 hour
- ▶ **500 doses** per fully automated run



► Currently producing in volumes to support planned Phase I & II clinical trials.

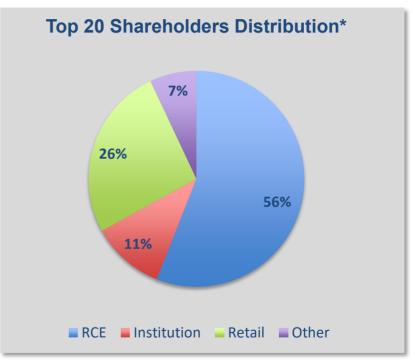


- Facility built to pharmaceutical specification.
- Packaging and labelling to international 'tamper-proof' standards



### **Recce Pharmaceuticals Ltd – Capital Structure**

Snapshot	
Tickers	ASX: <b>RCE</b> , FSE: <b>R9Q</b>
Amount Raised to Date	AUD \$46 million
Market Cap (approx.) 15 June 2021	AUD \$185 million
Cash and deposits 31 March 2021	AUD \$22.9 million
Outstanding shares	173.8 million
Average daily volume 3 months	265.8K



\*Top 20 as of 16 June 2021



### **Investment Summary**



Proprietary new class of anti-infectives against bacteria and viruses, protected by Composition of Matter Patent.



Fast development plans initially targeting: Sepsis, Burn wounds, Helicobacter Pylori and COVID-19.



**Strong pre-clinical data package** demonstrating **high bactericidal activity** combined with **very good safety** at expected human therapeutic range.



State of the Art manufacturing capacities ensuring highly attractive manufacturing costs and scalability.



R327 Phase I clinical trial patient dosing in Q3 2021 delivering interim data by late 2021.

Topical Phase I/II human clinical study of R327 is underway delivering full data Q4 2021 with interim data throughout.



Robust financial position to deliver clinical data.



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# Thank you

#### **James Graham**

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