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A *clinical stage* biotech, informed by the *patient experience*, tackling unmet needs in *mental health* and *neuroscience* 

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### **CLINICAL Mental Health & Neuroscience** FOCUS emyria Strong register - Tenmile<sup>1</sup> 7.8% / Directors 27% / Top 50 70+% COMPARATIVE Unique Ultra-Pure CBD formulations - delivers clinical advantages **ADVANTAGES** Novel MDMA-inspired chemical entities - substantial preclinical assets Proprietary Real-World Data - guiding clinical development Front-line clinical delivery (Emerald Clinics) - provides patient access Global leadership team & partners with drug registration successes ULTRA-PURE (lab-made) CANNABINOID MEDICINES LEADING PROGRAMS First dose form (EMD-RX5) in Phase 3 clinical trials (ACTRN: 12622001319763) & TRACTION Proprietary "RX" formulation high bioavailability, safe, tolerable, low cost

Multiple global drug registration opportunities; **FDA-compliant** formulations

MDMA-INSPIRED MEDICINES (TGA now accepts MDMA as Schedule 8 medicine)

- One of world's largest MDMA analogue libraries
- Partnership with University of Western Australia
- Establishing **MDMA-assisted therapy network** in Australia via specialists

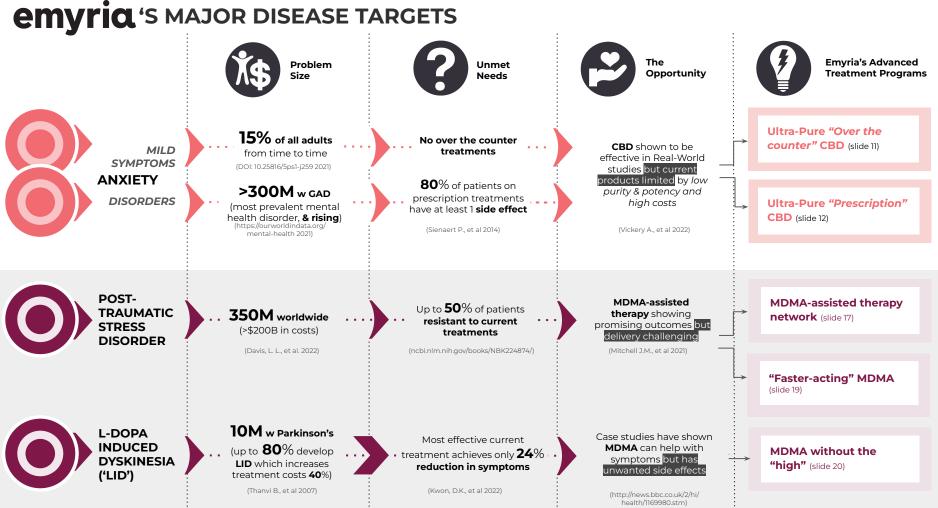
### IP & PROTECTION

Growing patent library covering novel formulations, methods of treatment and new chemical entities

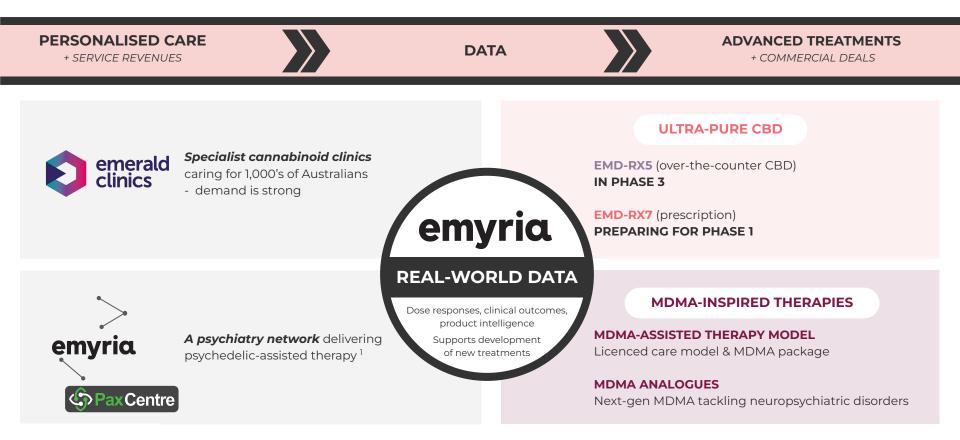
Advancing CBD & MDMA to address unmet needs in Mental Health & CNS

(EMD:ASX)

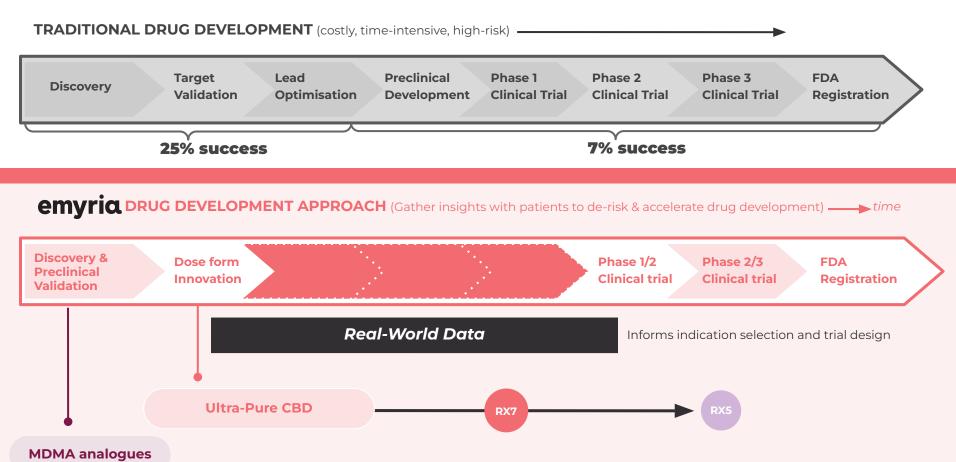
<sup>1</sup>**Tenmile** = Forrest Family Health-Focused Investment Fund



# emyriα BUSINESS STRUCTURE & ASSETS



## "DELIVERY & DATA" DE-RISKS & ACCELERATES DRUG REGISTRATION



# **LEADERSHIP** | GLOBAL DRUG DEVELOPMENT & COMMERCIALISATION SUCCESSES



Dr Stewart Washer Executive Chairman PhD (Microbiology)

- Emyria founder, largest shareholder •
- Founded multiple ASX companies
- Multiple trade sales ٠



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Prof Sir John Tooke Non-Executive Director & Chair of the Risk Committee FRCP, FMedSci

- Knighted for services to medicine
- Clinician researcher past President AMS
- Advisor to NHS on "learning health systems"









Dr Karen Smith Executive Director MD, PhD, MBA, LLM

- Experienced biopharma C-suite exec •
- Overseen 20+ FDA approvals
- Multiple, \$B+ M&A completions



Jazz Pharmaceuticals

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**Dr Michael Winlo CEO & Managing Director** MBBS(Hons), MBA (Stanford)

- Data, trials and drug development ٠
- Paper-to-digital at Linear ٠
- Founding five, Palantir Health Team

Stanford **Q**Palantir **linea** University



C/Prof Alistair Vickery Medical Director MBBS, FRACGP, FCHSM

- Big Data researcher, epidemiology
- Chair of Black Swan Health
- Professor of Medicine at UWA







Matt Callahan Non-Executive Director LLB

- 4 FDA approvals
- Venture capital experience
- Successful exit iCeutica to Iroko



### MARKET OPPORTUNITY FOR CANNABINOIDS

Epidyolex\*

100 mg/ml

Oral solution

A single registered product sells

> \$1B/year <sup>1</sup>

\$2B spent on clinical development<sup>2</sup>

Acquired by Jazz for US\$7.2B<sup>3</sup>

FDA-approved as small molecule (still plant-based)<sup>4</sup>

Limited to rare disease indications <sup>5</sup>

**Oil dose form** with limited GI tolerability<sup>5</sup>



Variable potency <sup>6</sup> (inaccurate labels)

Impurities present (most plant-base with THC & heavy metals)

Poor bioavailability <sup>5</sup> (only 6.5% average)

Expensive<sup>7</sup> (\$200-800/m low dose)

I imited dose forms

(most are oils)

# emyria FORMULATIONS

### Proprietary, solid, oral CBD

Registration for multiple indications

**OTC** & prescription.







FDA Drug Master File (API) facilitates FDA approval



**Excellent Bioavailability,** less dose variability, lower costs, lower

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### **ANXIETY DISORDERS**

Excessive, persistent fear and excessive worry that interferes with daily activities.

**3.9%** of all adults - most common mental health concern, globally.<sup>1</sup>

#### TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR ANXIETY DISORDERS









COUNSELLING 8 PSYCHOTHERAPY

PRESCRIPTION EXPOSURE THERAPY GROUP THERAPY Re-imagining events in a safe environment

Up to 80% patients experience at least one side effect from common prescription treatments<sup>2</sup>

### CANNABINOID THERAPY

### **PUBLISHED EVIDENCE:**

"The most replicable results...related to the ability of CBD...to ameliorate anxiety". <sup>3</sup>

### **EMYRIA'S REAL-WORLD DATA:**

Long-term data on ~4,000 patients reveals improvements in anxiety & stress as measured on DASS-21<sup>4</sup>

#### most CBD products BUT

- Plant-based oils Low bioavailability
- Low purity
- High cost

### THEREFORE:

- No registered OTC product
- No prescription dose form for anxiety

# emyria **OPPORTUNITIES**

### **OVER-THE-COUNTER CBD** (EMD-RX5)

- FDA-compliant / global potential
- In Phase 3 trials pursuing TGA "over-the-counter" registration for mild anxiety/stress (~15% of pop.)
- Low cost of goods

### PRESCRIPTION CBD (EMD-RX7)

- Potent dose form, high bioavailability
- Multiple indication potential
- **Preparing for Phase 1 trials**



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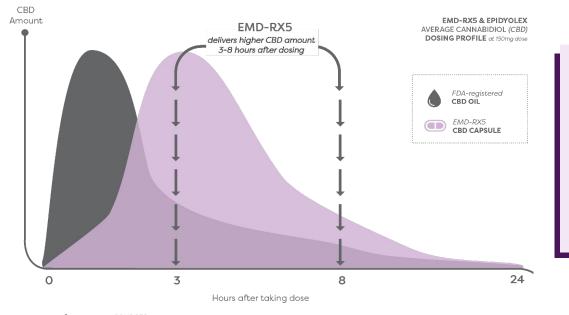
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EMD-RX5 | ULTRA-PURE CBD CAPSULE VS EPIDYOLEX™ OIL IN PHASE 3 CLINICAL TRIALS (due to complete H2, 2023)

In head-to-head with **Epidyolex: EMD-RX5** was safe & well tolerated with: (1) high bioavailability (2) slow release profile (3) lower dose variability





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1. See ASX release 25 May 2022

### EMD-RX5 currently pursuing TGA registration:

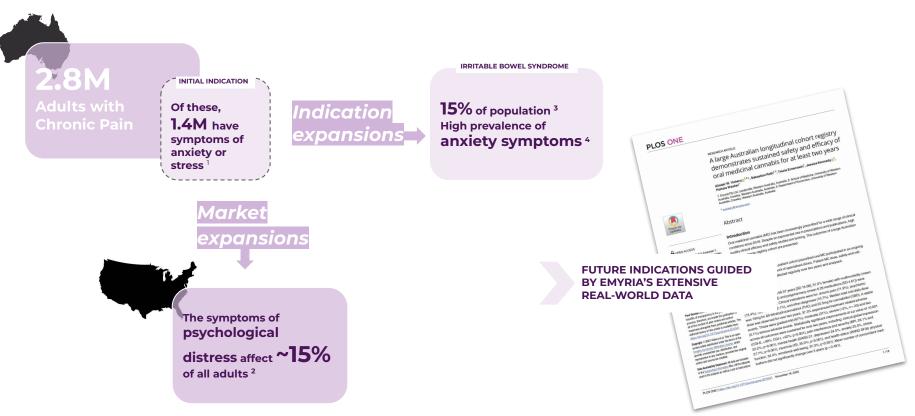
In active <u>Phase 3</u> clinical trials due to complete H2, 2023

**Ultra Pure CBD with a Drug Master File (DMF)** allows assessment as "small molecule" with FDA after TGA registration

### Suitable for multiple registration opportunities

Ready for indication, and geographic, expansion

# EMD-RX5 | GLOBAL OVER-THE-COUNTER OPPORTUNITY



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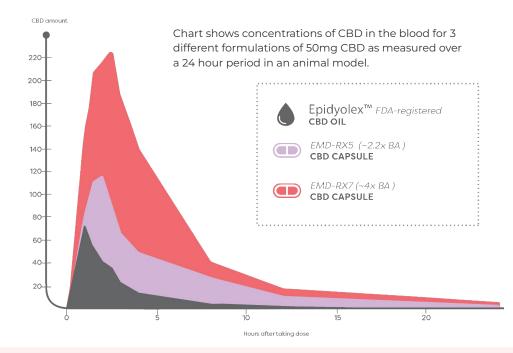
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# EMD-RX7 | HIGHLY BIOAVAILABLE ULTRA-PURE CBD FOR PRESCRIPTION USE



### EMD-RX7 showed more than 4 times the bioavailability of Epidyolex [1]

Phase 1 trials and advanced preclinical screening in planning alongside the selection of FDA-focussed indications via 505(b)2 pathway. [2]



**KEY INSIGHT** 

HIGHER BIOAVAILABILITY CBD has potential to support multiple, global prescription registrations



SOURCES: 1. See ASX announcement 17 March 2022 2. See ASX announcement 28 November 2022

### WHAT'S NEXT? | ADVANCED CANNABINOID DEVELOPMENT



DRUG DEVELOPMENT



Emyria has been accepted into the NIH's preclinical screening program for pain. This is a **fully funded program.** See ASX release 28 Nov 2022

### ONLY AVAILABLE VIA **PSYCHIATRISTS** OR CLINICAL TRIALS

"For approval to prescribe, psychiatrists will need to demonstrate appropriate training, patient selection, evidence-based treatment protocols and patient monitoring

HOWFVFR...

Further, ongoing psychotherapeutic support **remains an essential component** of the psychedelic treatment model."

-RANZCP (College of Psychiatrists)



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MDMA & PSILOCYBIN

"MEDICINES" BY TGA

authorised psychiatrists

Change to classification of psilocybin and MDMA to enable prescribing by

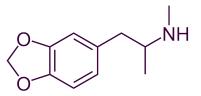
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**RECOGNISED AS** 





MDMA (3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine or "ecstasy")

- an amphetamine that causes release of 3 neurotransmitters:



**MDMA** is the best known member of the **"entactogens"** - drugs that produce feelings of **emotional communion,** oneness, relatedness, emotional openness and fear extinction.

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# UNIQUE PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF MDMA

- feelings of wellbeing
- sociability and extroversion
- interpersonal trust

### AN ALERT BUT ALTERED STATE OF CONSCIOUSNESS

### DECREASED

• feelings of fear & defensiveness

These effects suggest MDMA could be a promising **adjunct to psychotherapy** for a range of challenging MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS.



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**INCREASED** 

### **POST-TRAUMATIC** STRESS DISORDER

A chronic, debilitating mental health disorder that can occur following a traumatic event



#### TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR PTSD







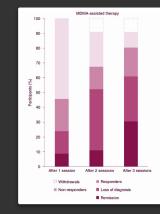
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### Up to 50% treatment resistance<sup>2</sup>

### **MDMA-ASSISTED** THERAPY

Providing of MDMA with therapy.



67% of participants in the MDMA group **no longer** met criteria for PTSD two months after the sessions. (c/w 32% of participants in the placebo group) <sup>3</sup>

### **BUT** delivery is complex & costly

- Requires special training + facilities
- Strict drug management
- Long Sessions (8+ hrs)
- Strict patient selection criteria

TGA Schedule 8 Medicine (from July 1st)

# emyria **OPPORTUNITIES**

### **BUILD MDMA-ASSISTED** THERAPY NETWORK DELIVERING

- Patient outcomes
- Licence revenues
- **Real-World Data**

### **CREATE** "NEXT-GEN" MDMA DELIVERING

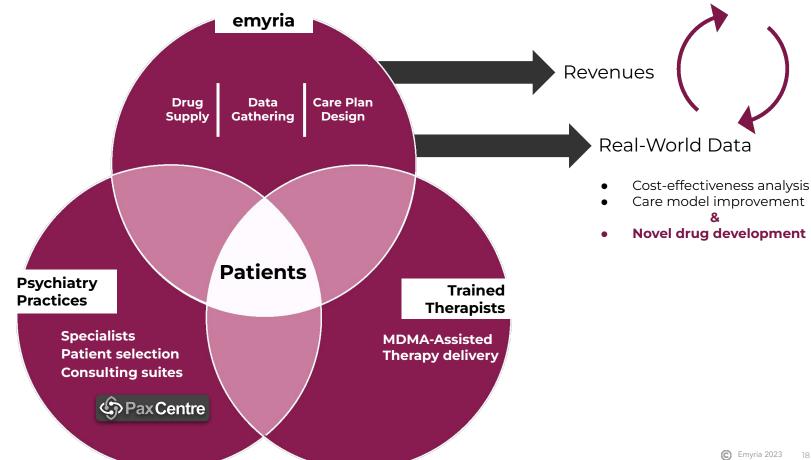
- Faster onset MDMA
- Safer MDMA (fewer side effects)
- Novel treatments for neuropsychiatric disorders

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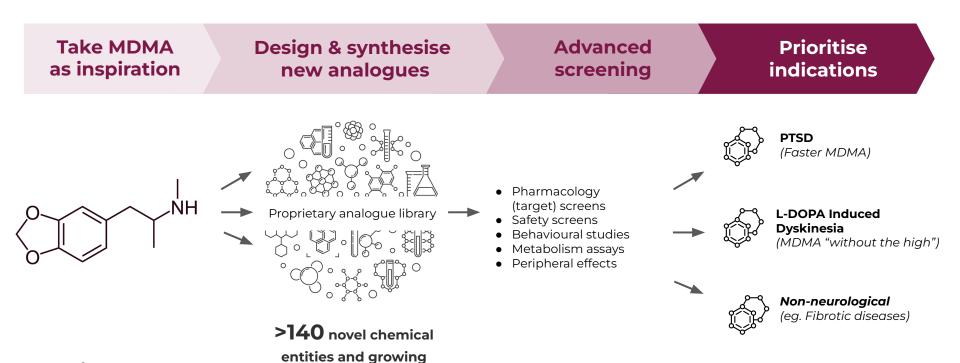
# 1) BUILDING AN MDMA-ASSISTED THERAPY NETWORK



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# 2) CREATING "NEXT-GEN" MDMA





### ANALOGUE DEVELOPMENT GOAL

# FASTER-ACTING MDMA

**WHY?** MDMA-assisted therapy has potential to address PTSD.

BUT -- >

Therapy sessions can last 6-12 hours. This limits the number of patients that can be treated per day per site.

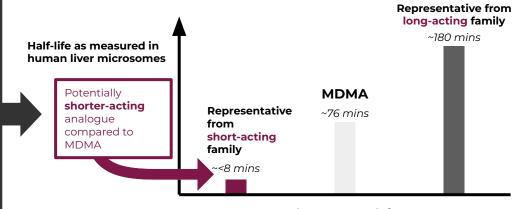
**GOAL:** Faster-acting MDMA could shorten treatment sessions and allow more patients to be treated per site

**COMMERCIAL:** New chemical entities have strong strong IP and license potential.

Shortening treatment session times could *increase number of patients that can be treated per site.* 

### **EARLY RESULTS:**

**Metabolic studies** performed to-date demonstrate Emyria's compound library contains novel MDMA analogues with both **rapid-**, and **long-acting** metabolism profiles.



Select compounds from Emyria's MDMA Analogue Library

Myria SOURCE: 1. See ASX Release 12 Oct 2022

### ANALOGUE DEVELOPMENT GOAL

# MDMA WITHOUT THE "HIGH"

**WHY?** MDMA improves symptoms of *"L-DOPA induced dyskinesia"*. <sup>1</sup> A common side-effect of Parkinson's treatment.

BUT --> MDMA has unwanted side-effects (euphoria, increased sociability, amphetamine effects)

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**COMMERCIAL:** Drugs with antiparkinsonian benefits can generate strong commercial returns:

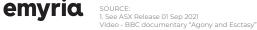
### Example:

- Ongentys<sup>™</sup> (opicapone) increases "ON-time" by ~6% over 24 hours <sup>2</sup>
- Expected peak sales of US\$300M/year <sup>3</sup>



DAY 1 L-DOPA + placebo

### DAY 2 L-DOPA + ecstasy



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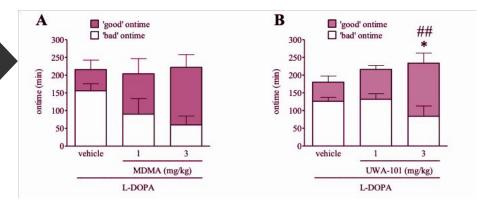
### EARLY RESULTS (UWA-101):

In gold-standard preclinical model:

*Increased* the total duration of L-DOPA-induced **antiparkinsonian benefit** (total ON-time) **by ~30%**.

Significantly increased the duration of "good" quality ON-time by 178%.  $^4$ 

Additional novel compounds are in preclinical screening.



Nyria SOURCE: 1. See ASX Release 01 Sep 2021

# MDMA-INSPIRED DRUG DISCOVERY | MULTIPLE \$B OPPORTUNITIES

Clinical focus	Role of MDMA?	Goals for analogue program	Early proof-of-concept?	What's next?
Treatment Resistant PTSD (5% adults, 30-50% treatment resistant) Costs of \$25B/year <sup>1</sup>	MDMA increases feelings of compassion and sociability while reducing fear & defensiveness. Phase 3 trials have shown MDMA-assisted therapy can have a profound benefit.	<b>Faster-acting MDMA</b> with improved tolerability could increase the potential pool of patients.	Sub-set of analogues show faster rates of metabolism.	Advanced screening to identify rapidly metabolised compounds.
L-DOPA induced dyskinesia in Parkinson's Disease (40% of PD patients at 4 years of treatment) Costs of \$1B/year <sup>2</sup>	MDMA has been shown to improve the "on-time' (beneficial effects) of L-DOPA but has numerous, unwanted side-effects.	<b>Remove the "high" from</b> <b>MDMA</b> while preserving beneficial effects on movement disorders.	Gold-standard preclinical model demonstrates analogues can increase on-time by 200%. C/W recently approved PBS drug (Ongentys) which increases on-time by 1hr/24hrs.	Advance new compounds. Long-term safety and tolerability studies.
Fibrotic disease (1.2M patients globally) Costs of \$3B/year <sup>3</sup>	Some analogues can induce fibrosis. Can MDMA analogues be developed to <i>reduce</i> it?	Identify compounds with 5HT2B antagonism (a known target for anti-fibrosis medicines).	Cell assays demonstrate reduced collagen deposition at test concentrations.	Further proof-of-concept studies to identify lead compounds.

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### MDMA-INSPIRED DRUG DISCOVERY NEXT 12 MONTHS



- **EXPAND** the MDMA-analogue library
- **DELIVER RESULTS** from preclinical screening
- FILE ADDITIONAL PATENTS and pursue commercialisation discussions
- **SELECT LEADS** for further proof-of-concept efficacy studies in animal models



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# emyria INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

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# Significant target markets

Emyria's treatment programs are targeting major unmet needs in **multiple, \$Billion+ markets**:

### PTSD

**Anxiety disorders** 

Parkinson's disease

Complex pain

Advanced clinical programs

First Ultra-Pure CBD dose form in Phase 3 trials; partnership ready

US-focused registration programs

MDMA-assisted therapy network in development

### Favourable regulatory environment

TGA rescheduled **MDMA** & psilocybin (following similar changes for medicinal cannabis in 2016)

Opens pathway to registration & reimbursement for Emyria's novel analogues Substantial R&D pipeline

4

One of world's largest MDMA analogue libraries novel, neuroactive molecules with potential to become novel neuropsychiatric treatments Advanced capabilities & world-class team

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Emyria's in-house expertise has had multiple FDA registrations with deep knowledge of drug development, data analysis & patient care.

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