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(NASDAQ: BTAI)

## **BXCL501**

**Proprietary Sublingual Thin Film Formulation of Dexmedetomidine (Dex)** for Acute Treatment of Agitation

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## **BXCL501 Strategy & Vision**



### **Proprietary Sublingual Thin Film Technology**

Automated process for scale up to Phase III and commercial readiness

### Phase 3 and Commercial Readiness

- Transitioned to automated manufacturing
- GMP automated manufacture initiated
- Scale up and supply phase 3 in 2H 2019 and commercial readiness in 2020



- Immediate release film with muco-adhesion
- Proprietary technology
- Delivers broad range of doses
- Flexible for combination dosing / therapy



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40 mcg







### **Clinical Development Plans Across Multiple Neuropsychiatric Medical Conditions**

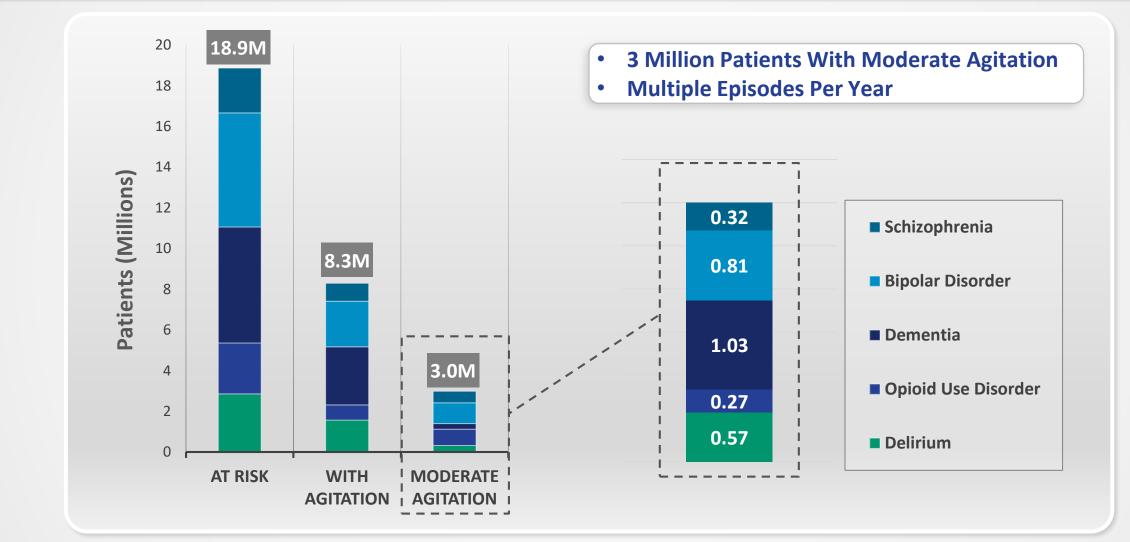
Initial NDA submission in 2H 2020



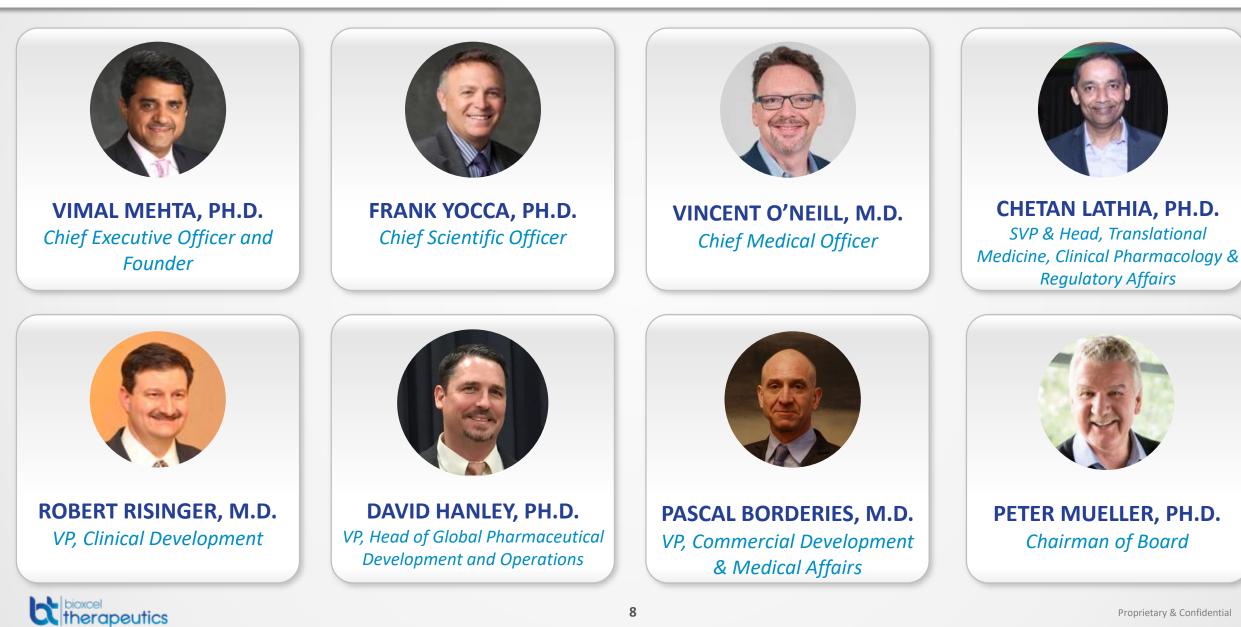


### **BXCL501 US Commercial Opportunity**

Target Patient Population Estimated at 3 Million

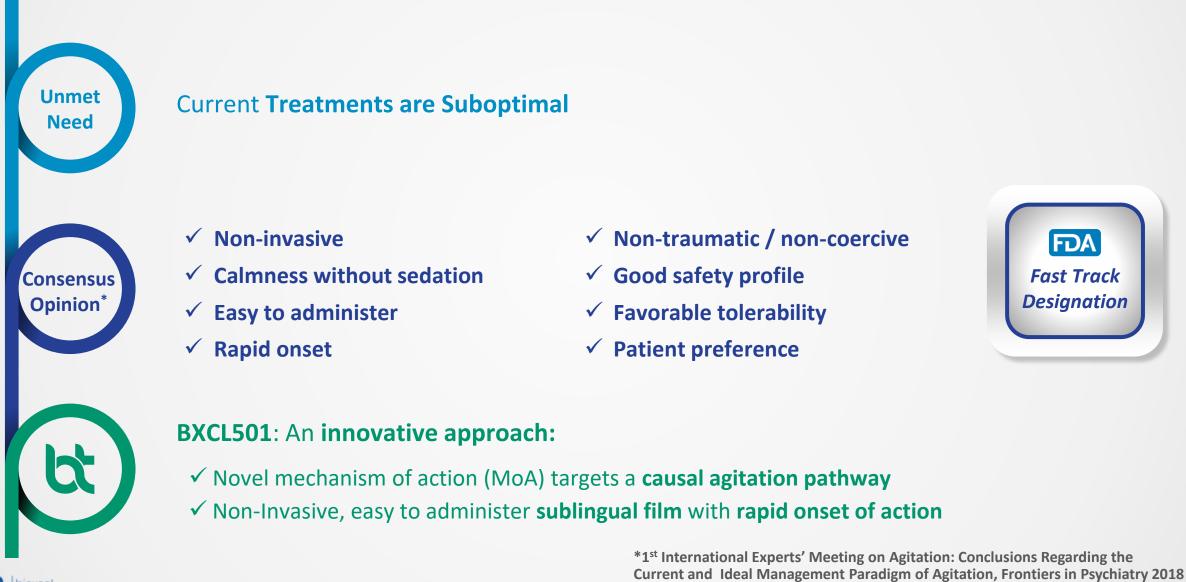


### **BTAI Team**



### **BXCL501: Sublingual Thin Film Dexmedetomidine (Dex) for Acute Treatment of Agitation**

Agitation: A Growing Global Healthcare Issue (\$40B+)





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## **Acute Agitation Overview**



Schizophrenia/Bipolar Disorder Sheldon Preskorn, M.D

#### **Psychomotor Agitation**

Associated with Poor Outcomes in Patients with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder

Psychomotor agitation is characterized by motor restlessness and irritability (mild) progressing to aggressive and/or violent behavior (severe).

#### Prevalence

- Approximately 8 million individuals in the United States are diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.
- 10% to 31% of all patients with schizophrenia or related psychotic disorders exhibit aggressive or violent behavior.
- Acute episodes of psychomotor agitation represent a substantial number of emergency department visits per year in the USA.

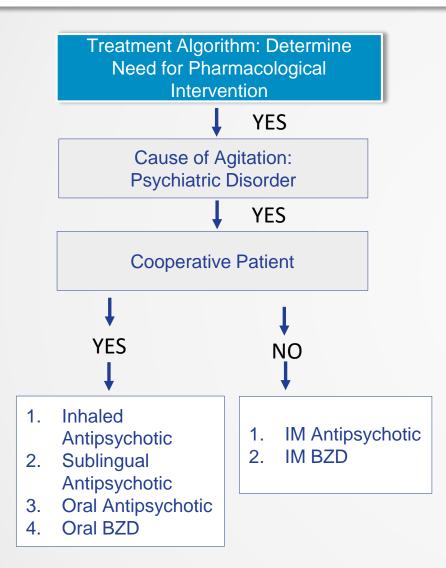
### Agitation in hospitals associated with

- Longer hospital stays
- Increased medication consumption
- Higher readmission rates
- Increased number of violent incidents against staff



#### **Current Treatment Paradigm for Psychomotor Agitation**

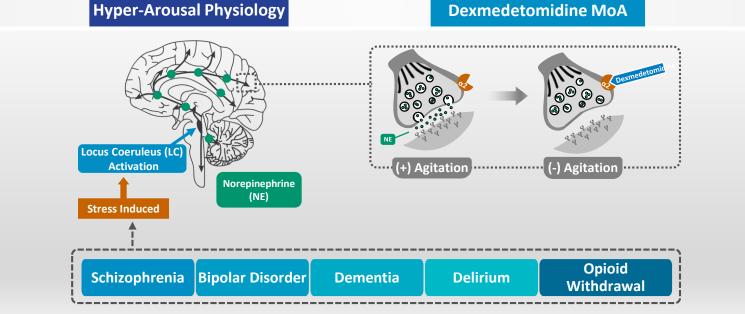
What are the Unmet Needs for an Ideal Drug?



Characteristics of an Ideal Drug For Treatment of Psychomotor Agitation in Patients with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disease			
FACTOR	BXCL501	Oral BZD	IM Antipsychotic
Calm without sedation	YES	NO	NO
Directly targets hyper-arousal cause of agitation	YES	NO	NO
Non-invasive, non-traumatic route of administration	YES	YES	NO
Rapid onset of action	YES	NO	YES
Unlikely Respiratory Depression	YES	NO	YES
Unlikely Adverse CV or Motor Events	YES	YES	NO

**PREDICTION:** BXCL501 (Dex on a sublingual film) will exhibit a superior profile compared to currently used drugs for the acute treatment of agitation in patients with schizophrenia or bipolar disease

- Dex is a selective alpha-2A adrenergic agonist.
- Currently marketed as Precedex<sup>™</sup> for intravenous (IV) administration to sedate/anesthetize patients prior to and/or during surgical procedures and to sedate intubated and mechanically ventilated patients.
- Dex may be useful for the treatment of agitation in patients with neuropsychiatric disorders like senile dementia of the Alzheimer's Type (SDAT) and schizophrenia at a much lower dose that does not cause drowsiness.



#### **Psychomotor Agitation in Patients with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disease**

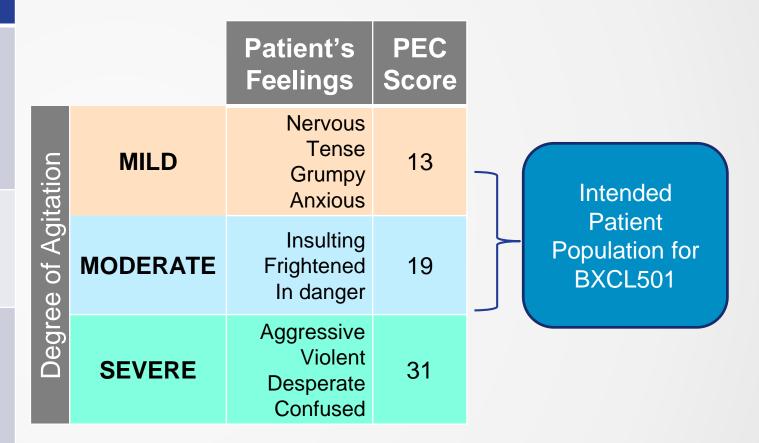
Patient Population for BXCL501

### BXCL501

- Sublingual thin film formulation of Dex
- Intended for patients with mild to moderate agitation
- Treats the underlying cause of stress-induced agitation (sympathetic hyper-arousal)

### Goals of Therapy:

- Increase cooperation of mildly agitated patients (shorten time in hospital)
- <u>Prevent escalation of mild</u> agitation to severe agitation



#### Human Proof of Concept: IV Dexmedetomidine Reduces Agitation in Schizophrenia Patients

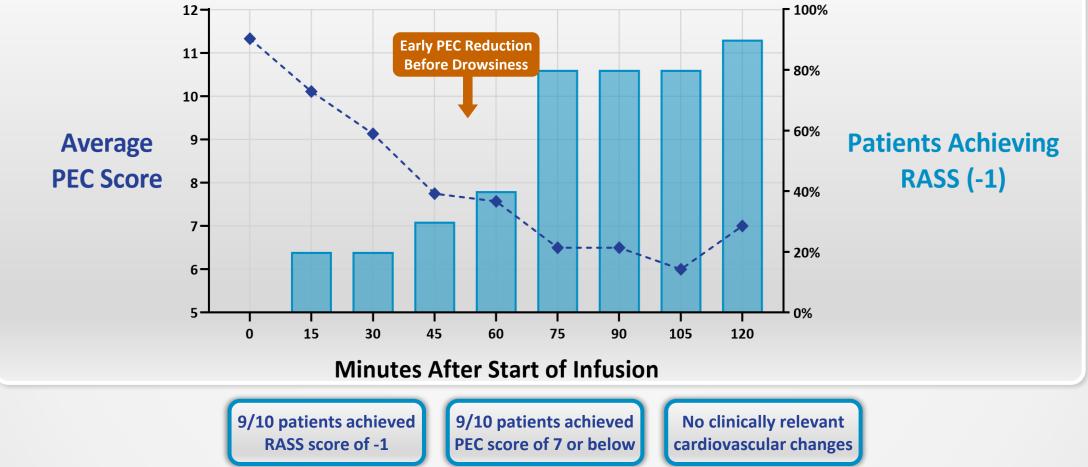
Study results announced Nov 2018: primary endpoint met

#### Study Design

- Randomized, placebo-controlled dose-ranging study
- 14 patients [10 treatment + 4 placebo]

#### • Primary endpoint: RASS of -1

• Secondary endpoint: PEC score of 7 or below



90% Response

Dementia George Grossberg, M.D.

## AGITATION AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE / DEMENTIA

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- Research support— Genentech/Roche, Janssen, NIH
- Safety monitoring committee—EryDel, ITI, Merck, Newron

## Alzheimer's Disease : A World-wide Epidemic



## 35.5 million people worldwide have dementia

Source - "Dementia: a public health priority" report, World Health Organization and Alzheimer's Disease International

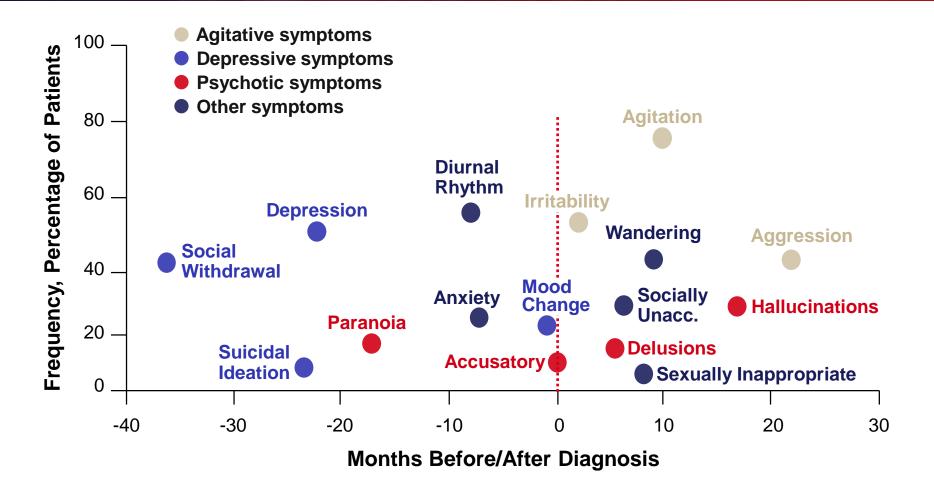
WHO & Alzheimer's International

## ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE (AD) : QUICK FACTS

- 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in US
- >16 million Americans provide unpaid care. 18.5 Billion hours of care annually, worth ~ \$234 Billion
- Between 2000 and 2017 deaths from heart disease declined 9% while deaths from AD increased 145%
- 1 in 3 seniors dies of AD. More than breast and prostate cancers combined
- Cost to our nation in 2019 = \$290 Billion
- Every 65 seconds someone in the US develops Alzheimer's Disease

**US Alzheimer's Association: Facts & Figures-2019** 

## Timeline and Epidemiology of Psychiatric Symptoms in AD



Adapted from Jost BC, Grossberg GT. J Am Geriatr Soc. 1996;44:1078-1081; with permission.

## IMPACT OF AGITATION IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

 BEHAVIORAL SYMPTOMS IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF INSTITUTIONALIZATION (AFTER FALLS)

 AGITATION AND PSYCHOSIS ARE THE MOST COMMON BEHAVIORAL SYMPTOMS RESULTING IN PLACEMENT INTO ASSISTED LIVING/ MEMORY CARE AND NURSING HOMES

BALESTRERI L, GROSSBERG A, GROSSBERG GT: INTERNATIONAL PSYCHOGERIATRICS, 2000.

## CURRENT TREATMENT OF AGITATION IN AD/DEMENTIA

- THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO FDA-APPROVED TREATMENTS FOR AGITATION AND BEHAVIORAL SYMPTOMS IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE/ DEMENTIA
- OFF-LABEL TREATMENTS MOST COMMONLY USED HAVE SAFETY AND EFFICACY
  LIMITATIONS
- 1) ANTIPSYCHOTICS, E.G. RISPERDAL, ZYPREXA, SEROQUEL : BLACK BOX WARNING IN DEMENTIA PATIENTS RELATIVE TO INCREASED MORTALITY. TAKE TIME TO 'KICK IN'
- 2)BENZODIAZEPINES, E.G. XANAX, ATIVAN, CLONOPIN : CAUSE INCREASED CONFUSION, IMPAIR BALANCE, INCREASE THE RISK OF FALLS. TAKE TIME TO 'KICK IN'
- ACUTE TREATMENT WITH BXCL 501- A NON-ANTIPSYCHOTIC/NON-BENZODIAZEPINE MAY HAVE DISTINCT ADVANTAGES FOR TREATING AGITATION IN AD/DEMENTIA

Opioid Withdrawal Ismene Petrakis, M.D.

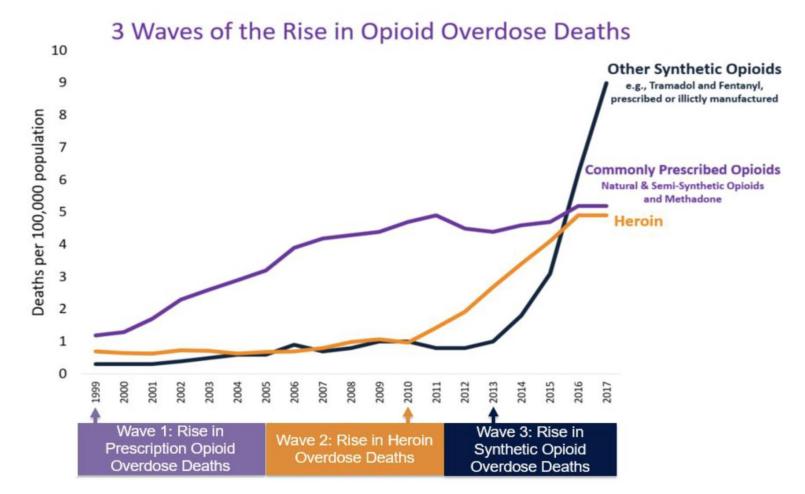
## Management of Opioid Withdrawal

## Ismene L Petrakis, MD

## **Opioid Crisis in the US**

- Estimated 12 million American use prescription opioids nonmedically
- 1.9 million people addicted to prescription opioids
- 600,000 addicted to heroin
- Total economic burden of prescription opioid misuse in the US is \$78.5 billion a year (CDC)
- Over 700,00 Americans died from opioid overdose from 1999-2017
  - About *12 times* the #Americans died in Vietnam war
  - On average *130 Americans* die every day
- Medical consequences (e.g. increase in HIV, Hep infections)
  - Social Consequences (e.g. increase # of children in foster care)

## **Opioid Crisis in the US**



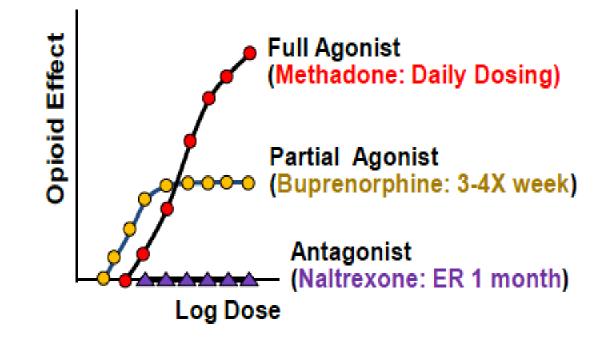
SOURCE: National Vital Statistics System Mortality File.

# **Opioid use disorder (DSM 5)**

- Within a 12-month period:
  - Took more than intended
  - Unsuccessful efforts to cut down
  - Lots of time spent obtaining, using, or recovering
  - Craving
  - Failures to fulfill obligations at work, school, home
  - Use despite social or interpersonal problems from opioids
  - Giving up activities because of opioids
  - Use when physically hazardous
  - Use despite negative psych or physical impact
  - Tolerance (not a criteria for prescribed opioids)
  - Withdrawal (not a criteria for prescribed opioids)

## Medication Assisted Treatments (MAT) for OUD

- Methadone
- Buprenorphine products (sl tablets, films)
- Naltrexone (oral and SR injectable [Vivitrol])



# **Opioid Withdrawal**

Occurs when:

 Administration of an opioid antagonist — such as naloxone or naltrexone — after a person has used an opioid

#### OR

Stopping or reducing heavy and prolonged opioid use

#### AND

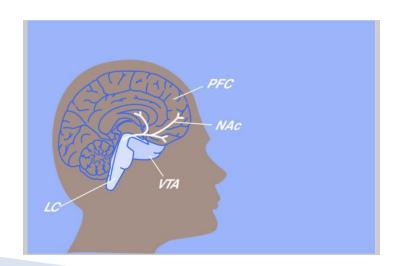
*Three (3) or more of the following symptoms* :

- Nausea or vomiting
- Pupils dilate, profuse sweating, or goosebumps
- An intense state of unease or dissatisfaction (dysphoria)
- Muscle aches
- Severe runny nose or tearing of the eyes
- Diarrhea
- Fever
- Yawning
- Insomnia

# Management of Opioid Withdrawal: How?

- Slow taper of medications
- Substitution with longer acting medication and taper
  - Methadone
  - Buprenorphine
- Treatment of underlying neurobiology\*\*

The Neurobiology of Opioid Dependence: Implications for Treatment <u>Thomas R. Kosten</u>, M.D.<sup>1,2</sup> and <u>Tony</u> <u>P. George</u>, M.D.<sup>1,3</sup>



# Management of Opioid Withdrawal

## Methadone/ Buprenorphine

## α-2-adrengergic agonists\*

- **Clonidine** (off-label use; .9 to 1.35 mg in divided doses)
- Lofexidine (*Lucemyra*: Catalent Pharma Solutions) (FDA approved in 2018; 2.4 and 3.2 mg daily
- Comparisons suggest not much different between 2 treatments in efficacy; more hypotension with clonidine

## With and without naltrexone

• Opioid antagonist precipitates w/d and shortens treatment time

## Supportive treatment

- Insomnia (sleep aids)
- Muscle pains (NSAID; antispasmodics)
- Nausea (anti-nausea medications)

## Management of Opioid Withdrawal: When ?

## Patient dependent on opioids, may not have OUD

- Pain patient for whom opioids may be exacerbating pain (hyperalgesia)
- Pain patient who cannot tolerate SE

## Patient with diagnosis of OUD patient

- Patient choice
- Court ordered or otherwise mandated treatment (e.g. physicians)
- Emergency management of OD with naloxone
- Plan to treat with IM Naltrexone (Vivitrol)
- Discontinue buprenorphine/ methadone

# **Suggested References**

- Gowing L<sup>1</sup>, Ali R<sup>1</sup>, White JM<sup>2</sup>, Mbewe D<sup>1</sup> Buprenorphine for managing opioid withdrawal. Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2017 Feb 21;2:CD002025. doi: 10.1002/14651858.CD002025.pub5.
- Kosten TR, Baxter LE; Review article: Effective management of opioid withdrawal symptoms: A gateway to opioid dependence treatment. The American Journal on Addictions, 2019, Jan 31, 2019 <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/ajad.12862">https://doi.org/10.1111/ajad.12862</a>
- ▶ Gowing L, Farrell M, Ali R, et al. Alpha<sub>2</sub>-adrenergic agonists for the management of opioid withdrawal. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev.* 2016;Cd02024.



Hyperactive Delirium Maurizio Fava, M.D.

# Delirium

- Delirium is an acute, reversible disorder of attention and cognition, as well as a disrupted sleep/wake cycle.
- There are three variants of delirium
  - the hyperactive and agitated patient (who may accidentally remove endotracheal tubes or even show violent behavior)
  - the lethargic or hypoactive patient
  - the patient who displays a combination of the two variants



# Delirium in ICU

- The development of ICU delirium is associated with increased morbidity and mortality rates, prolonged ICU and hospital length of stay (LOS) (Marshall et al, Critical Care Nurse Quarterly 2003; 26(3):172-178; McGuire et al, Archives of Internal Medicine 2000; 160(7):906-909; Schuurmans et al, Journal of Clinical Nursing 2001; 10(6):721-729)
- A total of 185 patients in six ICUs in Australia and New Zealand were screened for delirium
  - With intensive care delirium screening checklist
  - Over two 12-hour periods per day for the duration of their ICU admission
- 84 patients (45%) developed delirium



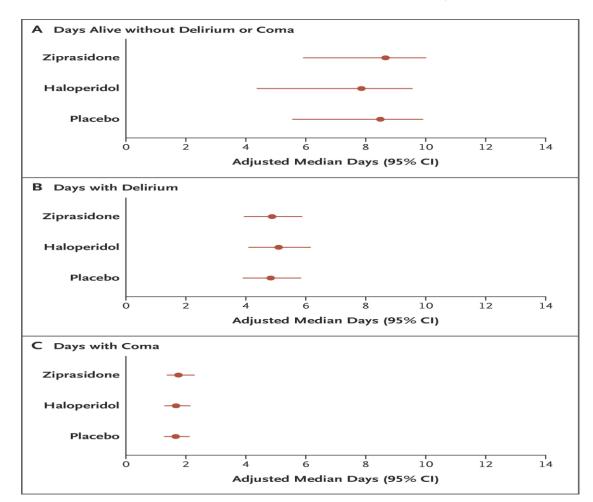
Roberts et al, Aust Crit Care. 2005 Feb;18(1):6, 8-9

Post-operative Delirium is Common and Associated with Increased 5-year Mortality (Moskowitz et al, The American Journal of Surgery 214 (2017) 1036-1038)

- Around 40% of inpatient surgeries in the United States are performed in patients 65 years and older (Etzioni et al, Ann Surg. 2003; 238(2):170-177)
- Post-operative delirium is the most common complication of major surgery in older patients (Marcantonio et al, JAMA. 1994;271(2):134-139)
- 172 patients >50 years undergoing elective operations with planned intensive care unit (ICU) admissions were enrolled (average age: 64 years)
- The overall incidence of delirium was 44% (75/172)
- At 5-years post-operatively, mortality was higher (59%, 41/70) in patients with delirium compared to patients without delirium (13%, 12/94, p < 0.001)</li>



# Effects of Haloperidol, Ziprasidone, and Placebo on Days Alive without Delirium or Coma, Days with Delirium, and Days with Coma.

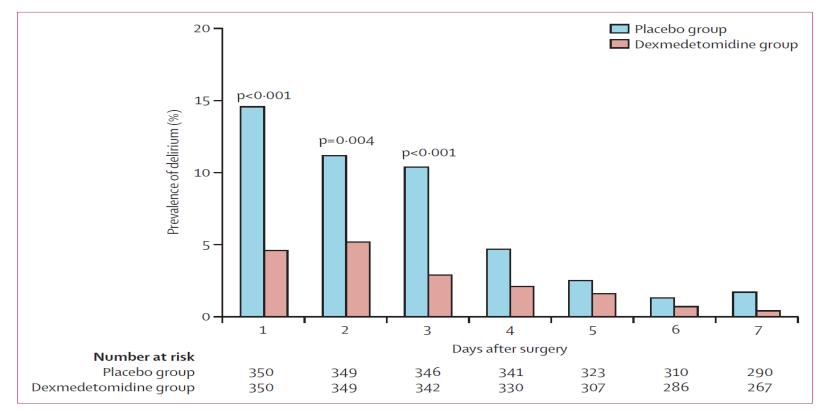


In analyses that were adjusted for age, preexisting cognitive impairment, Clinical Frailty Score and Charlson Comorbidity Index score at baseline, and modified Sequential Organ Failure Assessment score and **Richmond Agitation–Sedation** Scale score at randomization, there were no significant differences between the trial groups with respect to the primary end point (days alive without delirium or coma) and with respect to the secondary end points of mental status (durations of delirium and coma).



### Girard et al, N Engl J Med. 2018 Dec 27;379(26):2506-2516.

# Dexmedetomidine for Prevention of Delirium in Elderly Patients after Non-cardiac Surgery: A Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled Trial



#### Figure 2: Daily prevalence of postoperative delirium

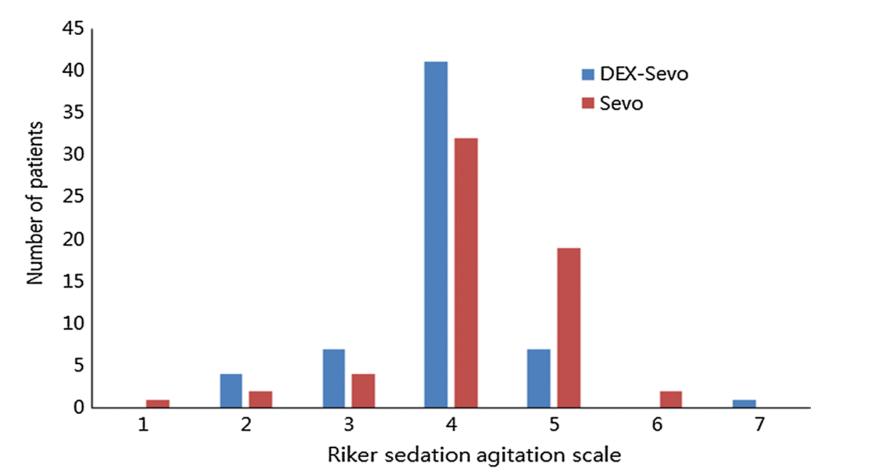
Sample sizes differ from the first to seventh day because some patients were discharged from hospital or died during this period.



#### Su et al, Lancet 2016; 388: 1893–902

# The Distribution Pattern of the Riker Sedation Agitation Scale at One Minute after Extubation (P = 0.059)

(n=143) (Kim et al, Can J Anaesth. 2019 Apr;66(4):371-379.)



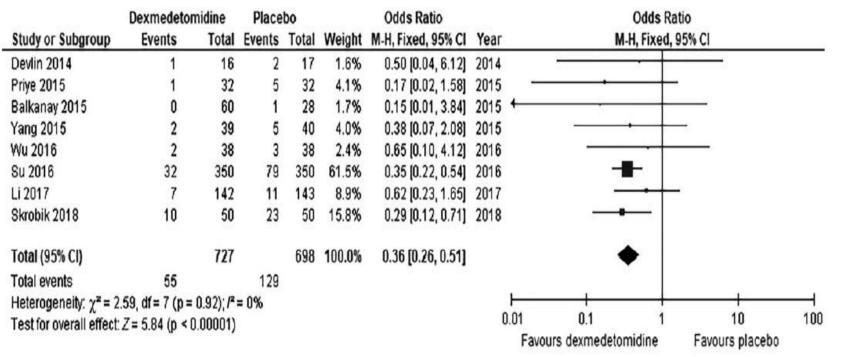
The DEX-Sevo group showed a lower incidence of emergence agitation than the Sevoflurane group (8 (13%) vs 21 (35%), respectively; relative risk, 0.38; 95% confidence interval 0.18 to 0.79; *P*= 0.011).



# The Effect of Dexmedetomidine on Delirium and Agitation in Patients in Intensive Care: Systematic Review and Metaanalysis

Anaesthesia 2019, 74, 380-392

Ng et al. | Dexmedetomidine in intensive care patients



Forest plot of the incidence of delirium. MH, Mantel-Haenszel



# **BXCL501 Clinical Program Update**



# **Summary of Clinical Results**

## Sublingual Film (BXCL501) PK and Safety Study

*First In Human Study For Sublingual Thin Film Of Dex* 

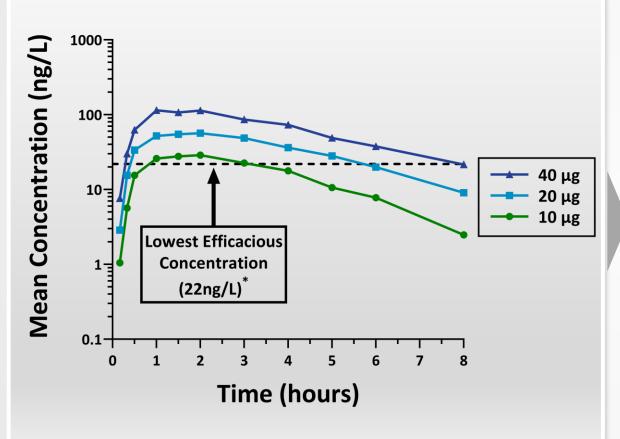
#### **Characterize Exposure Levels and Define Therapeutic Doses**

- Double blind, placebo-controlled, single ascending dose, PK study
  - Healthy adult volunteers ages 18-65 (N = 42, 20 female)
  - Single center study
  - $\circ$   $\,$  3 Doses: 10, 20, 40  $\mu g$
- Primary objective:
  - Determine PK, safety and tolerability of various film strengths



#### **BXCL501** Rapidly Achieved Targeted Exposures

BXCL501 Exhibited Predictable PK



\* Estimated concentration level based on Company observations in prior IV Dex study.

- Rapidly delivered targeted exposures
  - Consistent with therapeutic responses seen in the IV Dex schizophrenia study
- Predictable and dose proportional PK
  - Enables dose selection for future development
- Pharmacodynamic (PD) effects lasted 4-6 hours
   Optimal treatment duration



Consistent Safety Profile Between Sublingual Film And IV Dex

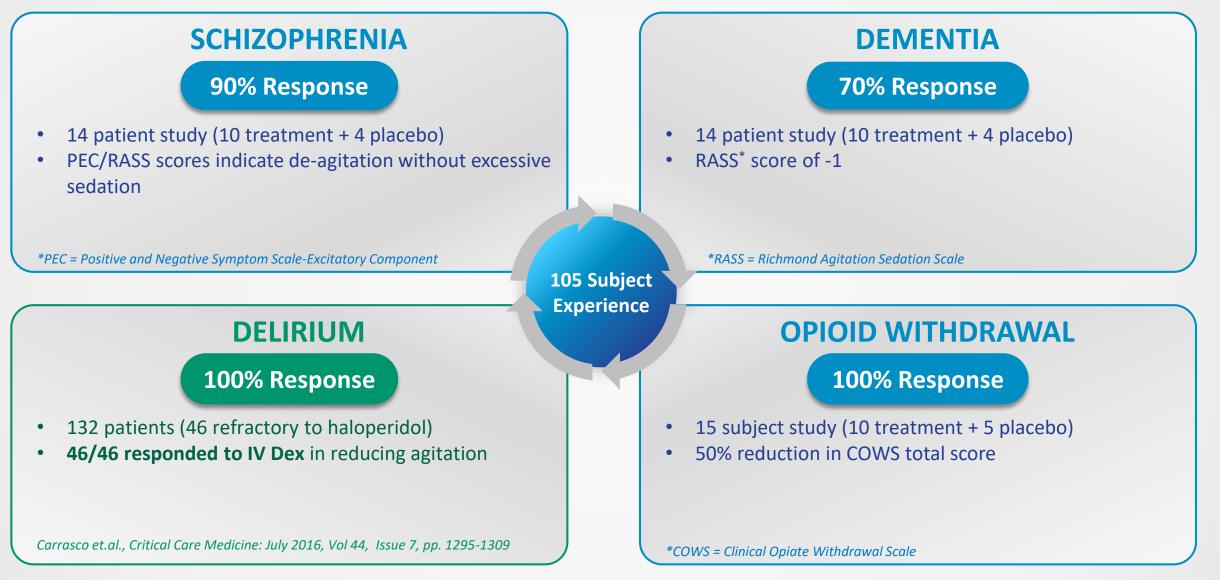
# **Tolerability Observed Across Broad Range Of Doses**

- No serious adverse events (AEs)
- All AEs were Grade 2 or below (mild to moderate) and transient
  - Most common AE was drowsiness, observed at rates similar to placebo
  - Cardiovascular changes were not clinically meaningful
- No clear sedative effect for treatment group vs. placebo
- Maximum tolerated dose was not reached



### **Positive Human Proof of Concept: Acute Reduction of Agitation in 4 Indications**

Safety Profile And Exposure Levels Were Consistent Across Indications With IV Dex





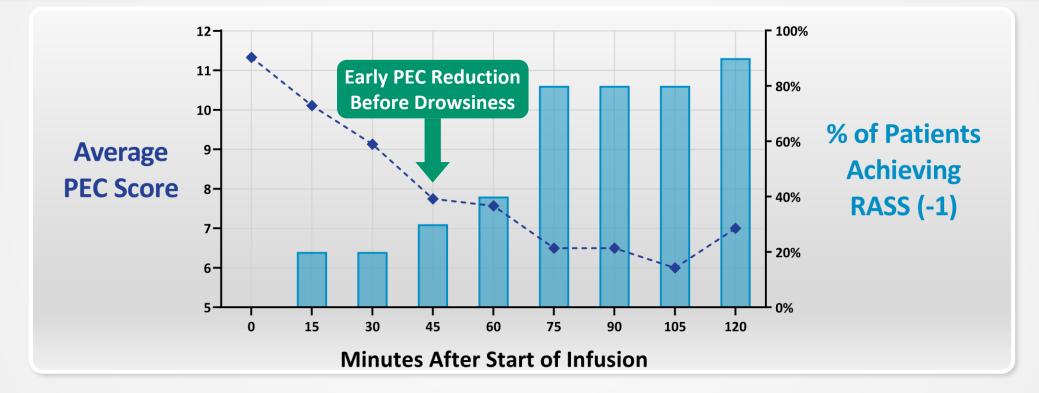
## Human Proof of Concept: IV Dex Reduced Agitation in Schizophrenia Patients

Translating Efficacious Exposures From IV Dex To Sublingual Film

#### Study Design

- Randomized, placebo-controlled dose-ranging study
- 14 patients [10 treatment + 4 placebo]

- Primary endpoint: RASS of -1
- Secondary endpoint: PEC score of 7 or below



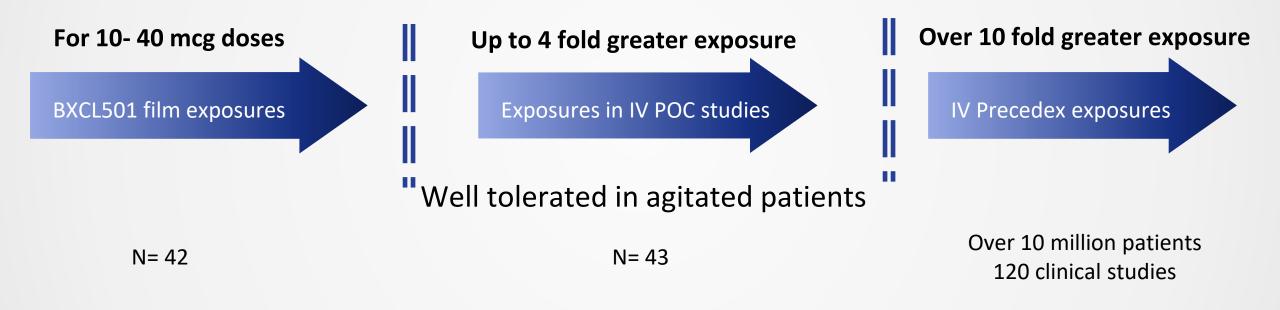
# **BXCL501 PK Study Exposures Consistent with Reduction in PEC Scores**



### **Exposures with BXCL501 film significantly lower than IV Precedex**

*Lower exposures of the film maximizes benefit-risk* 

# **BXCL501** Film exposures are 10 fold below that of IV Precedex Label



## Broad therapeutic index for BXCL501 vs. current label of Precedex as a sedative

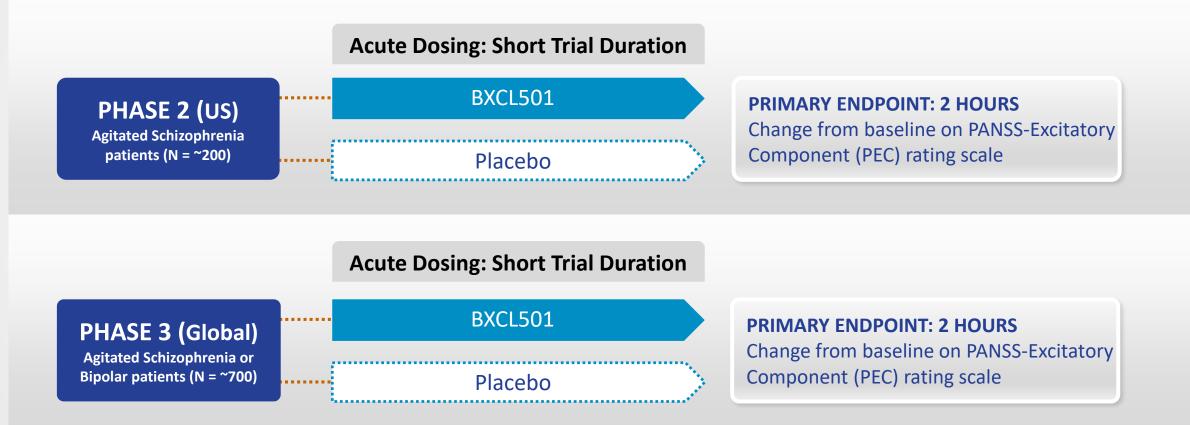


# **Overview of Registration Trial Path**

### **BXCL501 Integrated Clinical Development Plan**

Acute Agitation Studies: Short Duration With Easily Measurable Clinical Endpoints

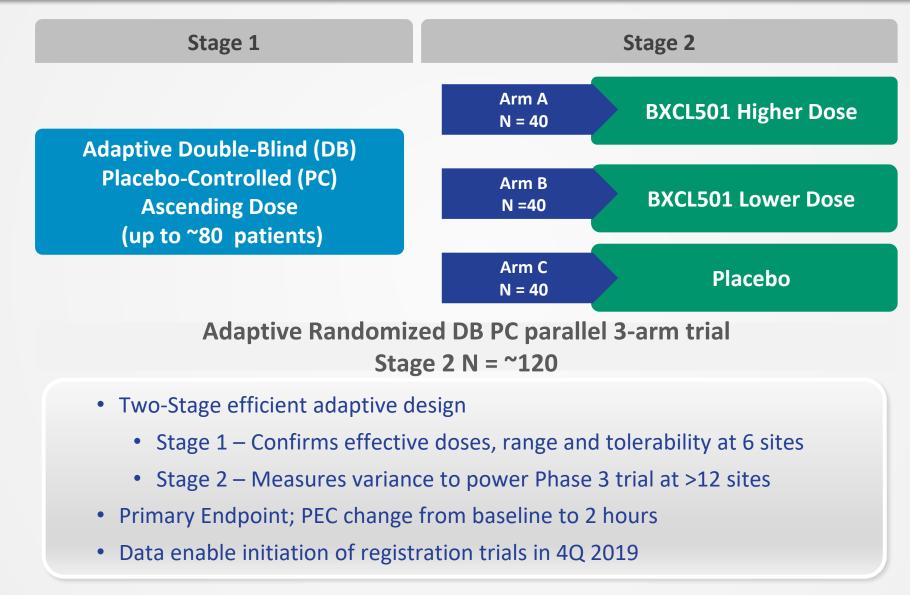




### **Efficient Adaptive Phase 2 Trial De-risks Registration studies**

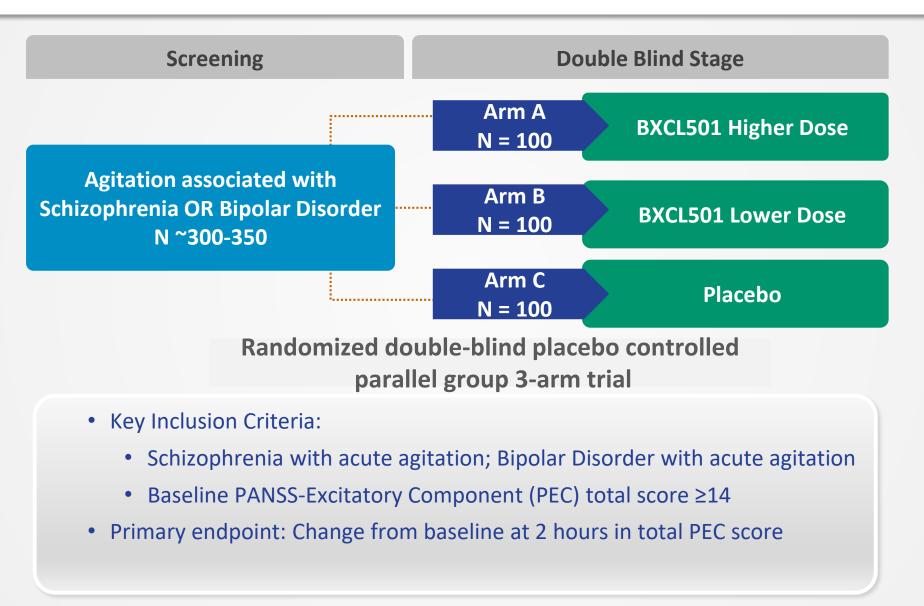
Initiating 2Q 2019

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## **Two Phase 3 Registration Trials**

One trial in Agitation associated with Schizophrenia, one trial in Agitation associated with Bipolar Disorder, Initiating 4Q 2019





## **Clinical Development Plans Across Multiple Neuropsychiatric Medical Conditions**

Initial NDA submission in 2H 2020





# **Agitation Franchise Expansion**

## **BioXcel Therapeutics: BXCL501 Pipeline**

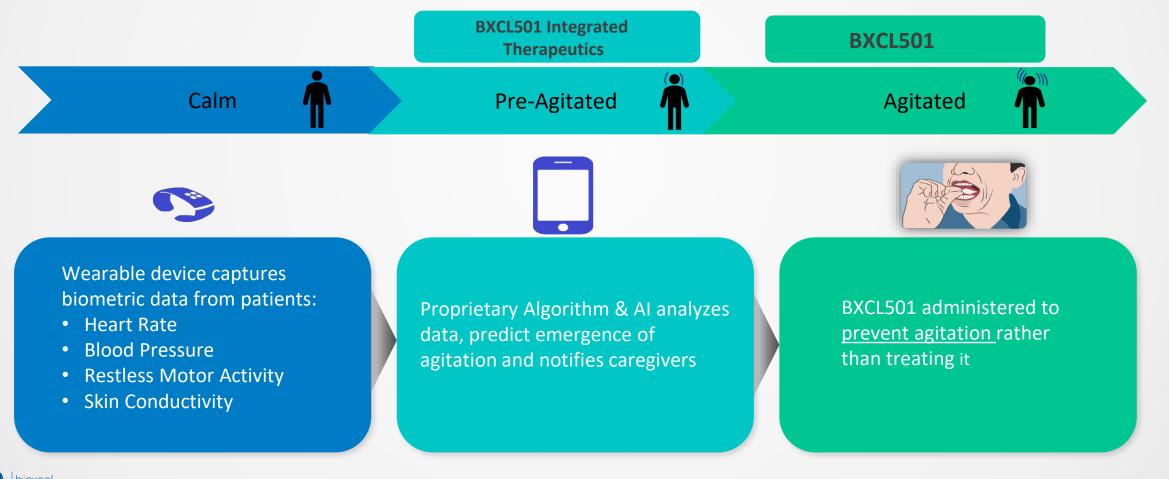
Treatment of neurological diseases and psychiatric symptoms

Product	MOA/ Treatment	Indication
BXCL501	Alpha2A Adrenergic Agonist SL FILM; Dexmedetomidine	Acute Treatment Mild/Moderate agitation/ psychiatric diseases
BXCL501	Alpha2 Adrenergic Agonist SL FILM; Dexmedetomidine	Acute Treatment Agitation: Dementia/Opioid Withdrawal/Delirium
BXCL501 PLUS+ (IM COMBO)	Alpha2 Adrenergic Agonist PLUS+	Acute Treatment Severe agitation/ psychiatric diseases



# **Digital Integration to expand BXCL501 Therapy**

- BXCL501 is currently intended for acute treatment of agitation
- Next generation of integrated therapeutics for agitation prevention through complementary digital technologies



KOL Panel Q&A Drs. Preskorn, Grossberg, Petrakis, and Fava Moderator: Mr. Sumant Kulkarni (Analyst, Canaccord Genuity)



# **Corporate Outlook And Closing Remarks**



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