

# A Next Generation Stem Cell Therapeutics Company

Managing Director's Presentation
Dr Kilian Kelly
Annual General Meeting



### Important information

#### **Summary information**

This Presentation contains summary information about Cynata Therapeutics Limited and its subsidiaries (CYP) which is current as at 9 November 2023. This Presentation should be read in conjunction with CYP's other periodic and continuous disclosure information lodged with the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX), which are available at www.asx.com.au.

#### Not an offer

This Presentation is not a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other offering document under Australian law (and will not be lodged with the ASIC) or any other law. This Presentation is for information purposes only and is not an invitation or offer of securities for subscription, purchase or sale in any matters contained in this Presentation. The forward looking statements are based on information available to jurisdiction. The release, publication or distribution of this Presentation (including an electronic copy) outside Australia may be restricted by law. If you come into possession of this Presentation, you should observe such restrictions. Any non-compliance with these restrictions may contravene applicable securities laws.

#### Not investment advice

This Presentation does not constitute investment or financial product advice (nor tax, accounting or legal advice) or any recommendation by CYP or its advisers to acquire CYP securities. This Presentation has been prepared without taking account of any person's individual investment objectives, financial situation or Industry and Market data particular needs. Before making an investment decision, prospective investors should consider the appropriateness of the information having regard to their own investment objectives, financial situation and needs and seek legal, accounting and taxation advice appropriate to their jurisdiction. CYP is not licensed to provide financial product advice in respect of CYP securities.

#### Investment risk and past performance

An investment in CYP securities is subject to known and unknown risks, some of which are beyond the control of CYP and its directors. CYP does not guarantee any particular rate of return or performance of CYP. Past performance cannot be relied upon as an indicator of (and provides no guidance as to) future CYP performance including future share price performance.

#### Financial data

All financial information in this Presentation is in Australian currency (A\$) unless otherwise stated. This Presentation contains historical financial information based on the Company's results for the quarter year to September 2023. This information is disclosed in the 4C report lodged with ASX on 26 October 2023. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables and figures in this Presentation are due to rounding.

#### Forward-looking statements

This Presentation contains certain 'forward looking statements', which can generally be identified by the use of forward looking words such as 'expect', 'anticipate', 'likely', 'intend', 'should', 'could', 'may', 'predict', 'plan',

'propose', 'will', 'believe', 'forecast', 'estimate', 'target', 'outlook', 'guidance', 'potential' and other similar expressions. The forward looking statements contained in this Presentation are not guarantees or predictions of future performance and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of CYP, its directors and management, and may involve significant elements of subjective judgment and assumptions as to future events which may or may not be correct. There can be no assurance that actual outcomes will not differ materially from these forward looking statements. A number of important factors could cause actual results or performance to differ materially from the forward looking statements. No representation or warranty, express or implied, is made as to the accuracy, likelihood of achievement or reasonableness of any forecasts, prospects, returns or statements in relation to future CYP as at the date of this Presentation. Except as required by law or regulation (including the ASX Listing Rules), CYP and its directors, officers, employees, advisers, agents and intermediaries undertake no obligation to provide any additional or updated information whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise. You are strongly cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, particularly in light of the current economic climate and the significant volatility, uncertainty and disruption caused by the outbreak of COVID-19.

Certain market and industry data used in connection with this Presentation may have been obtained from research, surveys or studies conducted by third parties, including industry or general publications. Neither CYP nor its representatives have independently verified any such market or industry data provided by third parties or industry or general publications.

#### **Disclaimer**

To the maximum extent permitted by law, CYP and its advisers, affiliates, related bodies corporate, directors, officers, partners, employees and agents (Related Persons) exclude and disclaim all liability, including without limitation for negligence, for any expenses, losses, damages or costs arising from this Presentation or reliance on anything contained in or omitted from it. To the maximum extent permitted by law, CYP and its Related Persons make no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the currency, accuracy, reliability or completeness of information in this Presentation and disclaim any obligation or undertaking to release any update or revision to the information in this Presentation to reflect any change in expectations or assumptions.

Statements made in this Presentation are made only as at the date of this Presentation. The information in this Presentation remains subject to change without notice.



### **Company highlights**

Cynata is a clinical stage biotech developing its proprietary Cymerus platform technology for the scalable manufacture of mesenchymal stem cell (MSC) therapeutic products to treat serious disorders











Single donation from a single donor iPSC strategy overcomes suboptimalities in

conventional MSC

manufacturing

Positive pre-clinical and clinical data supporting versatility and efficacy of Cynata's MSCs; including in world-first iPSC trial in aGvHD Phase 1

Rich clinical pipeline:

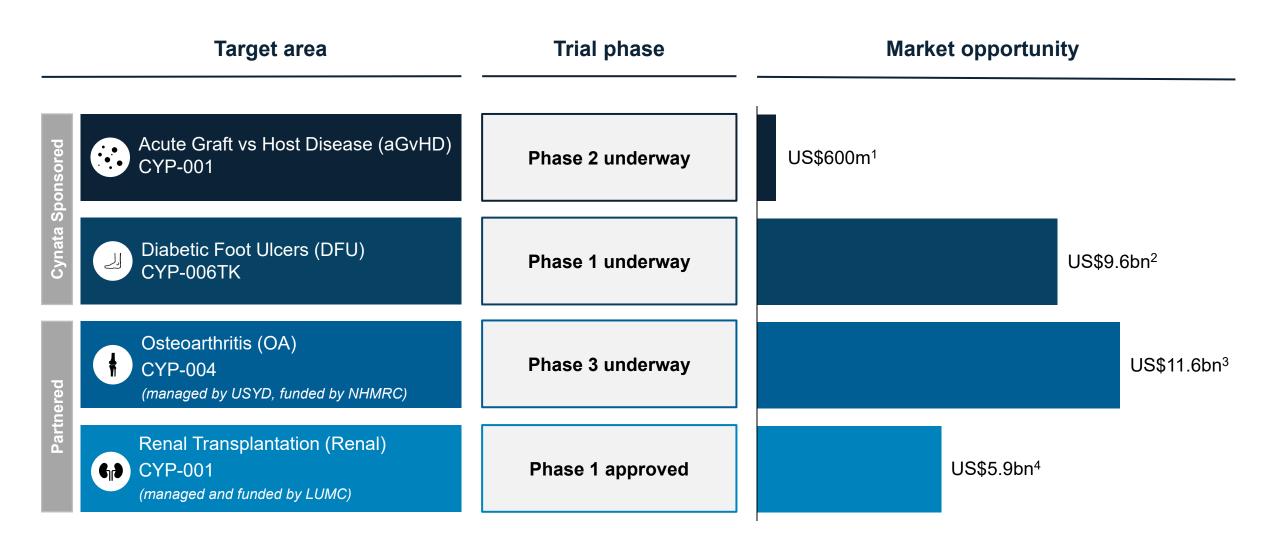
- aGvHD (Phase 2)
- **DFU** (Phase 1)
- Osteoarthritis (Phase 3)
- Renal (Phase 1)

**Combined market opportunity** of clinical trials underway and in planning is ~US\$28bn<sup>1</sup>

Solid funding position, with ~A\$12m in cash<sup>2</sup>, and OA and renal trials funded by external partners



### Cynata has an advanced and diverse clinical pipeline

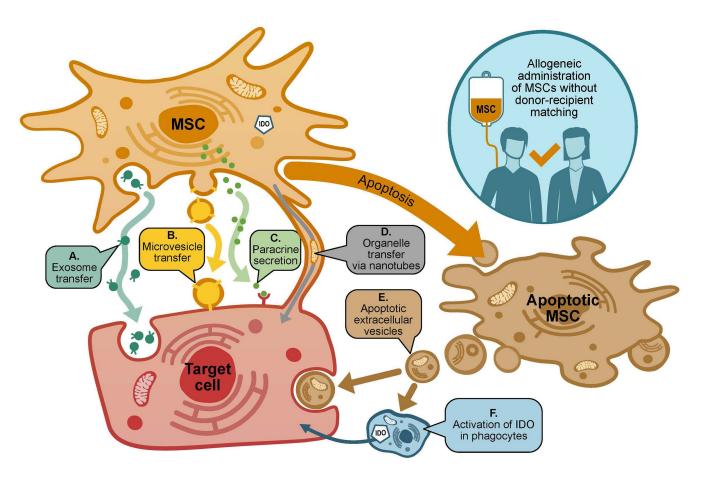




## Why Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSCs)?

MSCs play a central co-ordinating role in many of the body's mechanisms of defence, repair and regeneration: the "sensor and switcher of the immune system"

MSCs can be used therapeutically without matching the donor and the recipient



MSCs promote an
immunomodulatory and
immunoregulatory
environment via multifactorial
mechanisms, including secretion
of proteins / peptides /
hormones; transfer of
mitochondria; and transfer of
exosomes or microvesicles
containing RNA and other
molecules



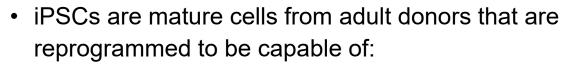


Manufacturing

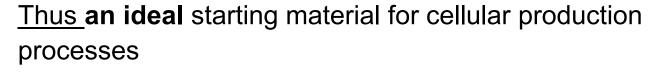


# Cynata's process utilizes induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs)





- effectively limitless proliferation in cell culture
- differentiation into any adult cell type (including MSCs)

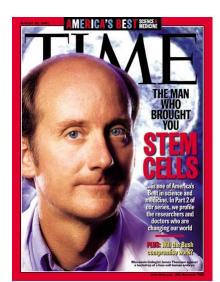






- iPSCs are derived from adult cells, avoiding ethical controversy associated with embryonic stem cells
- Cynata is the most advanced company worldwide developing iPSC-derived cell therapies
- Generation of human iPSCs first reported by two independent groups almost simultaneously:
  - Shinya Yamanaka, Kyoto University (awarded Nobel Prize in 2012)
  - James Thomson, University of Wisconsin-Madison





## Cymerus™ iPSC-based manufacturing process

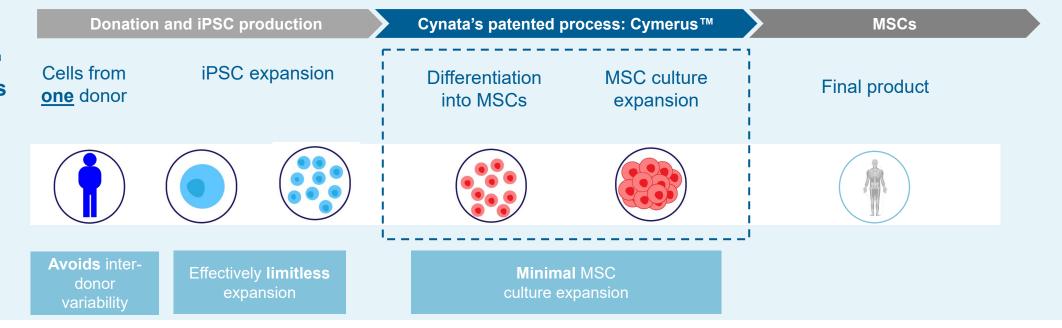
# Conventional process

Major challenges include inter-donor variability and functional changes during MSC expansion

#### **Conventional process MSCs Cells donated** Cells from Final product MSC culture MSC isolation multiple donors expansion \*\*\*\*\* Large number of Substantial variability **Limited quantity** of MSCs MSCs required – extensive in starting material obtained per donation culture expansion

# Cynata's Cymerus™ iPSC-based process

Avoids inter-donor variability and need for extensive MSC expansion





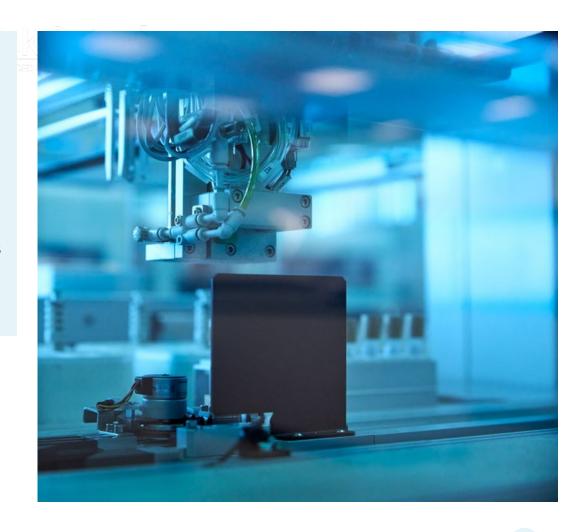
## Strategic partnership with Fujifilm provides commercial benefits

Cynata executed a Strategic Partnership Agreement with Fujifilm, with Fujifilm involved in the path to market<sup>1</sup>

#### **Strategic benefits for Cynata**

- ✓ Fujifilm is one of the largest conglomerates in the world with a significant network and assets in the biotechnology space and recent multi-billion dollar investments in expanding its business as a comprehensive healthcare company
- ✓ Fujifilm Cellular Dynamics Inc (FCDI: subsidiary of Fujifilm) developed the original iPSC line used in Cynata's Cymerus manufacturing process
- ✓ Parties now working towards establishing Cymerus manufacturing process at FCDI with Cynata's progress showcasing Fujifilm's iPSC platform
- ✓ Significant institutional shareholder; representing a 4.5% shareholding









**Preclinical Data** 

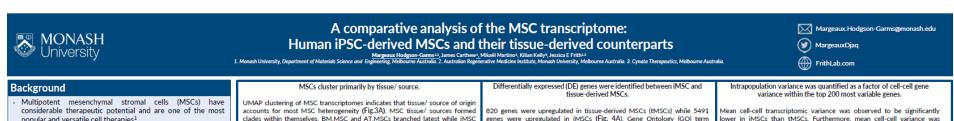


# **Cymerus MSCs: Completed Preclinical Studies**

Indication	Partner	Key highlights	References
Graft versus Host Disease	University of Massachusetts Amherst	Cymerus MSCs attenuated disease severity and prolonged survival in a humanised mouse model of GvHD	Ozay et al, Stem Cell Res 2019;35:101401
Diabetic Wounds	Cell Therapy Manufacturing Constitute Features Constitute	Novel wound dressing seeded with Cymerus MSCs led to significantly improved wound healing in mouse model	
Osteoarthritis	THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY	Cymerus MSCs reduced pain as measured by tactile allodynia in mouse model of OA	
Organ Transplantation		Cymerus MSCs upregulated Tregs, IL-5, IL-10, and IL-15, which augmented graft microvascular blood flow and oxygenation, and maintained healthy graft and prevented subepithelial collagen deposition	Khan et al, Stem Cell Research & Therapy 2019;10:290
Critical Limb Ischaemia	WISCONSIN UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON	Cymerus MSCs improved limb blood flow and reduced necrosis and cellular damage, while maintaining muscle mass and gross muscle appearance, in mouse model	Koch et al, Cytotherapy 2016;18:219– 228
Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome	Critical Care	Cymerus MSCs reduced lung injury. inflammation and circumstances leading to circulatory shock in sheep model	Millar et al, Am J Crit Care Med 2020;202(3):383-392
Myocardial infarction	THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY	Cymerus MSCs reduced left ventricular end-systolic diameter compared to placebo and bone marrow (BM)-MSCs. Cymerus MSCs (but not BM-MSCs) enhanced arteriogenesis in peri-infarct zone. Expression of a number of cytokines by Cymerus MSCs was 2-to 4-fold higher than BM-MSCs	Thavapalachandran et al, Cytotherapy 2021;23(12):1074-1084
Coronary Artery Disease	UNSW SYDNEY	Modification of cell culture matrix primes Cymerus MSCs and enhances their pro-angiogenic and immunomodulatory properties	Romanazzo et al, J Tissue Eng Regen Med 2022;16(11):1008-1018
Glioblastoma	HSCO HARVARD STEM CELL INSTITUTE	Cymerus platform successfully engineered to express transgenes in a stable manner; engineered Cymerus MSCs reduce viability of human glioblastoma cells, and slowed tumour progression in mouse model	
Asthma	MONASH University	Cymerus MSCs demonstrated significant beneficial effects on three key components of asthma: airway hyper-responsiveness, inflammation and airway remodelling	Royce et al. FASEB J 2017;31(9): 4168-4178; Royce et al. FASEB J 2019:33(5):6402-6411
Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis	MONASH University	Cymerus MSCs improved dynamic lung compliance, airway resistance, interstitial lung inflammation, fibrosis and epithelial and sub-epithelial thickness	
Cytokine Release Syndrome	University of Massachusetts Amherst	Cymerus MSCs significantly ameliorated the effects of Cytokine Release Syndrome, a potentially severe and life-threatening adverse reaction to cancer immunotherapy	
Sepsis	<u>k</u> RCSI	Cymerus MSCs increased blood oxygen levels and respiratory static compliance, and reduced alveolar neutrophil infiltration, barrier permeability and inflammation	

## MSCs from different sources have different properties

and UC.MSCs branched earlier indicating comparatively less similarity (Fig.3B).



BM.MSC UC.MSC ATMSC

#### **Key Findings include:**

Source is the primary driver of MSC heterogeneity (variability)

Traditionally sourced from tissue donations, clinical translation

is affected by donor-dependence and significant batch-batch,

- Cymerus MSCs differ from tissue-derived MSCs by upregulation of biological processes linked to telomere maintenance and RNA catabolism, and downregulation of humoral immune response and complement processes
- Cymerus MSCs exhibit less batch-batch variability than tissuederived MSCs, and significantly less intra-population variability

AT.MSC 1.

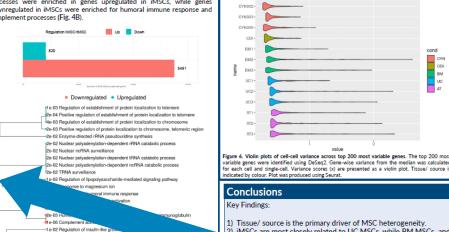
AT.MSC 2

 Cymerus MSCs successfully bypass much of the inherent variability that affects tissue-derived MSCs

transcriptomes from 72,709 individual MSCs sequenced at a

depth of >100.000 reads/ cell.

genes were upregulated in iMSCs (Fig. 4A). Gene Ontology (GO) term enrichment analysis was used to query DE genes for enriched Biological Processes (BP). BP including telomere maintenance and RNA catabolism processes were enriched in genes upregulated in iMSCs, while genes



4. Differential expression iMSC vs tMSCs (A). DeSeg2 was used to identify antly up (N=5491) or downregulated (N-820) between iMSC and tMSCs. Top biological esses enriched in DE genes (B). GO term enrichment analysis was used to identify the top 10 t strongly enriched BP both upregulated and downregulated in iMSCs. GO term tree was point colour indicates if gene members are up or down regulated. Plots were generated i

4e-04 Type B pancreatic cell proliferation

2e-03 Regulation of neuroinflammatory respons

gene markers driving separation of iMSCs.

1.16% of variation between MSC tissue/sources. PCA loading identified nd LIN28B was found to drive separation of iMSCs from tMSCs, with

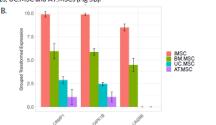


Figure 5. PCA of MSC populations (A). PCA was used to visualise components of MSC tissue/ source separation Populations are coloured by tissue/ source and marker shape indicates iMSC vs tMSC grouping. PCAtools Package was used to identify loading genes driving iMSC/ tMSC separation. Expression of major loading genes CRMP! DIPK1B, and LIN28B (B). Expression of loading genes is presented as bar plots with MSC tissue/ source indicated by

# MSCs, furthermore they also exhibit significantly less intra-

4) iMSCs exhibit less batch-batch heterogeneity than tissue-derived

2) iMSCs are most closely related to UC.MSCs, while BM.MSCs and

from tissue-derived MSCs by the upregulation of

esses linked to telomere maintenance and RNA

I the downregulation of humoral immune respons

MSCs are more closely related to each other.

comparable between iMSC populations while tMSC populations showed

significant donor-donor differences.

transcriptomes at a single-cell level, allowing us to develop a better understanding of the sources of MSC heterogeneity and improve predictability of clinical outcomes. Moreover, this study confirms that iMSCs successfully bypass much of the inherent heterogeneity that affects the clinical application of tissue-derived MSCs, validating

#### References and Acknowledgments

- 2. Wilson, A., Hodgson-Garms, M., Frith, J. E. & Genever, P. Multiplicity of mesenchymal stromal cells: Finding the right route Wilson, A., Hodgson-Garms, vo., rive., between the repy. Front. Immunol. 10 (2019).
  Dominici, M. et al. 2006. Minial criteria for defining multipotent models of the results of the result

Australian Govt. RTP Stipend

and comp

Monash University Dot, of Materials Science and Engineering







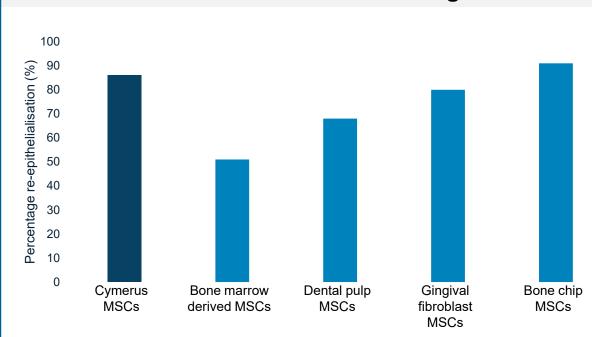
## MSC source also influences performance in preclinical models

### Pre-clinical rat model of myocardial ischemiareperfusion (heart attack)<sup>1</sup>

Positive effects were observed with both Cymerus MSCs and bone marrow MSCs, but some effects were different between the two MSC groups:

- Left ventricle function was significantly improved in Cymerus MSC group (P=0.01) compared to placebo controls, but not in bone marrow MSC group (P=0.63)
- Arteriogenesis (formation of new arteries) around the infarct zone was significantly improved in Cymerus MSC group compared to both placebo controls and bone marrow MSC group (P=0.01)
- Expression of a number of relevant cytokines by Cymerus MSCs was 2-4x higher than by bone marrow MSCs

# Preclinical mouse model of diabetic wounds, using novel MSC-seeded dressing



- Cymerus MSCs resulted in significantly greater re-epithelialisation (86%) compared with bone marrow MSCs (51%)
- Although gingival fibroblast and bone chip MSCs produced similar results, there are major challenges associated with producing clinical-grade cells from those sources



<sup>1.</sup> Thavapalachandran et al. Pluripotent stem cell-derived mesenchymal stromal cells improve cardiac function and vascularity after myocardial infarction. Cytotherapy 2021;23(12):1074-1084

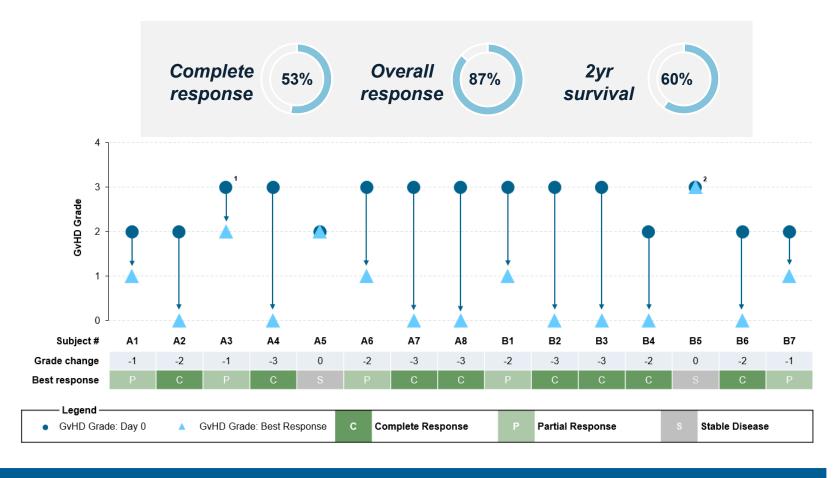


**Clinical Trials** 

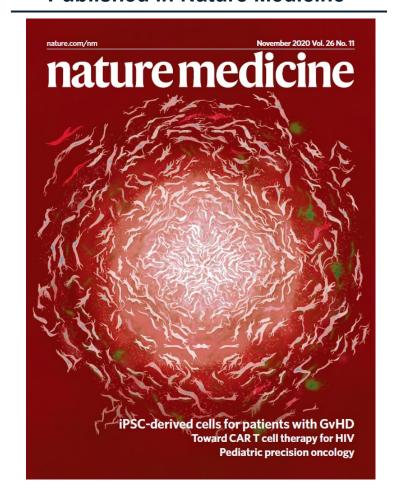


# aGvHD | Phase 1 clinical trial (completed)

The first completed clinical trial of an iPSC-derived product



#### Published in Nature Medicine<sup>3</sup>



### No treatment-related serious adverse events or safety concerns identified



- Subjects received 1x10<sup>6</sup> cells/kg (max 1x10<sup>8</sup> cells) or 2x10<sup>6</sup> cells/kg (max 2x10<sup>8</sup> cells) by IV infusion on D0 and D7
- Eight subjects were enrolled in each cohort, but one subject in Cohort B withdrew prior to infusion of CYP-001
- 1. Subject A3 showed a PR at Days 14 and 21 but died due to pneumonia on Day 28; 2. Subject B5 withdrew from the trial on Day 22 to commence palliative care
- 3. Bloor et al. Production, safety and efficacy of iPSC-derived mesenchymal stromal cells in acute steroid-resistant graft versus host disease: a phase I, multicenter, open-label, dose-escalation study. Nat Med 2020;26:1720-1725.

### aGvHD | Phase 2 clinical trial

#### **Product**

• CYP-001 (Cymerus™ iPSC-derived MSCs for intravenous infusion)

#### Indication

• Acute graft versus host disease (aGvHD) may occur after bone marrow transplantation and similar procedures, due to donor immune cells (from the "graft") attacking the transplant recipient (the "host")

#### **Trial Details**

- Randomised controlled trial in ~60 patients with High Risk aGvHD
- Clinical sites in USA, Europe and Australia
- Primary objective: to assess efficacy of CYP-001 based on Overall Response Rate at Day 28

### Start-up

- Regulatory/ethics approvals secured in Australia and USA; European regulatory process ongoing
- Site startup activities ongoing

#### Recruitment

- Commenced August 2023
- Anticipate 5-6 sites open for recruitment by end CY 2023, with remainder to open in 2024 (staggered opening of sites has already been factored into recruitment projections)
- Aiming to complete recruitment by end CY 2024

#### Results

Aiming to report primary evaluation results in 2H CY 2025



### **DFU | Phase 1 clinical trial**

#### **Product**

• CYP-006TK (Novel silicone dressing seeded with Cymerus™ iPSC-derived MSCs)

#### Indication

• Diabetic Foot Ulcers (DFU) are wounds on the feet of patients with diabetes

#### **Trial Details**

• Randomised controlled trial in ~30 patients with DFU

- Clinical sites in Australia (Adelaide and Perth)
- Primary objective is safety; efficacy outcome measures include wound healing, pain & quality of life

### Start-up

Complete

#### Recruitment

- Commenced March 2022
- Additional sites added earlier in 2023 to increase recruitment rate; ~threefold increase in recruitment rate in current financial year
- Aiming to conclude recruitment by end CY 2023

#### Results

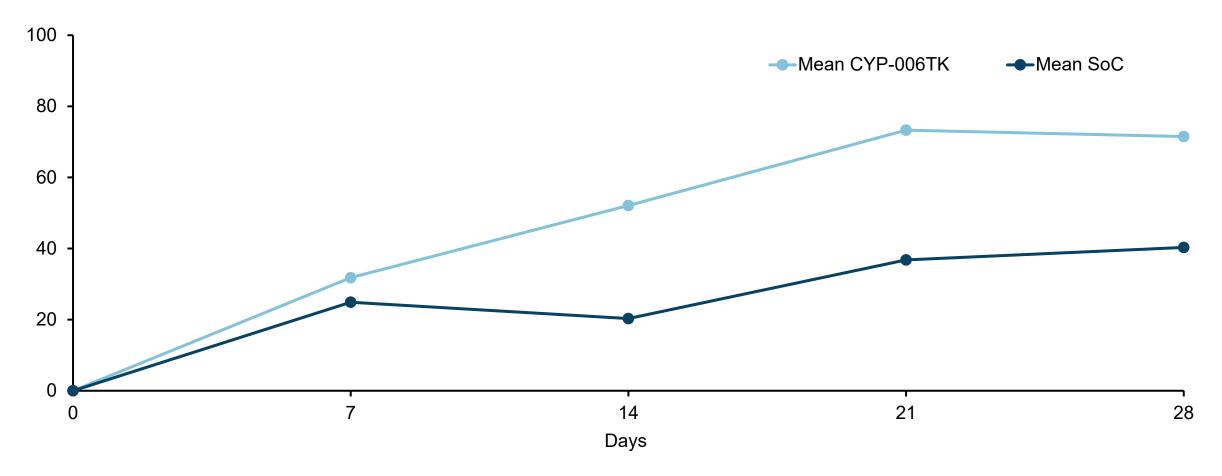
- Positive initial results from first 6 patients reported in 2023 (see next slide)
- Aiming to report initial results from full dataset in mid CY 2024



# **DFU | CYP-006TK initial treatment data**

Great ulcer surface area healed in CYP-006TK group compared to standard of care (SoC)

Mean % ulcer surface area healed over time (%)1; n=6 (3 in each group)





### OA | Phase 3 clinical trial<sup>1</sup>

#### **Product**

CYP-004 (Cymerus™ iPSC-derived MSCs for intra-articular injection)

#### Indication

• Osteoarthritis (OA) occurs when the cartilage in a joint wears away. It causes pain, inflammation, swelling and difficulty with movement.

#### **Trial Details**

- Trial conducted by University of Sydney, funded by Australian Government National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) grant
- Randomised, double-blind placebo-controlled trial in ~320 patients with OA of the knee
- Each participant receives 3 injections over 12 months; follow-up of 24 months from first dose
- Co-primary endpoints: reduction of knee symptoms and measure of cartilage loss

#### Start-up

Complete

#### Recruitment

- Commenced November 2020
- Target sample size has been reached; recruitment expected to close in November 2023

#### Results

Primary evaluation results expected to be received in H1 CY 2026



## Renal transplantation | Phase 1 clinical trial

#### **Product**

• CYP-001 (Cymerus™ iPSC-derived MSCs for intravenous infusion)

#### Indication

• Current standard of care after kidney transplantation involves long-term requirement for anti-rejection drugs, which often cause serious toxicities

### **Trial Details**

- Trial to be conducted and funded by Leiden University Medical Center, Netherlands
- 16 renal transplant patients to receive Cymerus MSCs after transplantation: cohort 1 (n=3); cohort 2 (n=3); cohort 3 (n=10)
- Trial will evaluate safety (all cohorts) and efficacy of MSCs in facilitating reduction of anti-rejection medication (Cohort 3)

### Start-up

- Regulatory approval in place
- Final trial start-up activities ongoing

#### Recruitment

- Aiming to commence in Q1 2024
- Aiming to complete recruitment of Cohort 1 in Q2 2024
- Timing of further cohorts TBC

#### Results

Results of Cohort 1 anticipated in late 2024/early 2025





Corporate Information



### **Board & Senior Management**

Highly skilled and experienced senior leadership team with decades of experience



**Dr Kilian Kelly**Chief Executive Officer &
Managing Director

- 20+ years' experience in biopharma R&D
- Previous roles at Biota Pharmaceuticals, Mesoblast, Amgen & AstraZeneca



**Dr Geoff Brooke**Independent Non-Executive Chair

- 30+ years' experience in the healthcare investment industry
- Founder and MD of Medvest Inc and GBS Venture Partners



**Dr Paul Wotton**Independent Non-Executive Director

- 30+ years' experience in senior positions of life sciences companies
- Previously President and CEO of Ocata Therapeutics, Inc



Ms Janine Rolfe
Independent Non-Executive Director

- 20+ years legal, governance and management experience across multiple sectors
- · Founder of Company Matters



**Dr Darryl Maher**Independent Non-Executive Director

- Former Vice President, R&D and Medical Affairs at CSL Behring
- Former President of Australian
   Pharmaceutical Physicians Association
   and Director of Vaccine Solutions



**Dr Jolanta Airey**Chief Medical Officer

- 25+ years' experience in respiratory, rheumatology, dermatology, biologicals and listed companies
- Previously Director, Translational Development at CSL



Mr Peter Webse Company Secretary

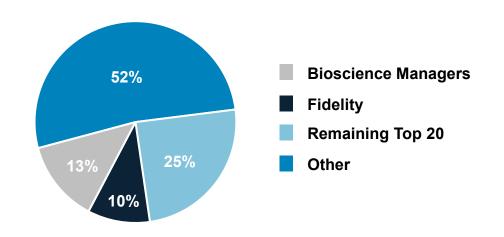
- 25+ years company secretarial experience
- Director of Governance Corporate Pty Ltd



### **Corporate overview**

Cynata has been listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) since 2013 (Ticker: CYP)

#### **Shareholder distribution**



#### **Financial information**

Share price (9 November 2023)	A\$0.135
Shares on issue	179m
Market capitalisation	~A\$24m
Cash <sup>1</sup>	~A\$12m

### **Substantial shareholders (>5%)**



13.1%

Bioscience Managers is an international healthcare investment firm headquarter in Melbourne that finances and enables innovative science and technology with the potential to transform healthcare.



10.0%

Fidelity International is a world leading investment and asset management firm that invests A\$556.7 billion globally on behalf of clients in Asia-Pacific, UK, Europe, the Middle East and South America.



# **Investment summary**

<ul><li>Next generation stem</li><li>cell company</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Leading technology in burgeoning stem cell sector</li> <li>Diverse and highly credentialed leadership team with proven clinical and commercial experience across a range of health sciences at leading institutions</li> </ul>
Scalable manufacturing process	<ul> <li>Patented Cymerus manufacturing technology enables commercial-scale production of MSCs from a single donation from a single donor, overcoming multiple issues with conventional approaches</li> <li>Cymerus MSCs have demonstrated higher potency versus conventionally manufactured MSCs</li> </ul>
Successful clinical trial results	<ul> <li>Very encouraging safety and efficacy results from Phase 1 trial of Cymerus MSCs in aGvHD</li> <li>Highly encouraging initial DFU patient data</li> </ul>
Robust and attractive pipeline	<ul> <li>Broad and diverse clinical stage MSC pipeline with active clinical programs in aGvHD, DFU, OA, and renal transplantation</li> <li>FDA cleared IND for Phase 2 aGvHD clinical trial; study open for recruitment</li> </ul>
Significant growth potential	<ul> <li>Pipeline has significant commercial opportunities: global estimated market opportunity across targeted indications of ~US\$28bn</li> <li>Continued focus on indications where there is significant unmet need</li> <li>Proactive B-2-B outreach to drive partnering strategy</li> </ul>





### **Contact Us**

### **Cynata Therapeutics Limited**

Level 3 100 Cubitt Street Cremorne Victoria 3121 Australia



### **Contact details:**



