# Longer Term Tolerability and Efficacy of ZYN002 Cannabidiol Transdermal Gel in Children and Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD): An Open-Label Phase 2 Study (BRIGHT [ZYN2-CL-030])

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### Background

- Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a complex neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by difficulties with behaviors, communication, and reciprocal social interaction<sup>1,2</sup>
- Current management options for ASD symptoms are restricted to cognitive behavioral therapy and a limited number of approved pharmacologic treatments, highlighting the substantial unmet need for novel therapies in this population<sup>2</sup>
- The endocannabinoid system is a key modulator of emotion and social behavior and is dysregulated in ASD<sup>3</sup>
- It is therefore possible that cannabidiol (CBD) may provide therapeutic benefit in ASD; however, the efficacy and safety of CBD in patients with ASD have not been well established<sup>3</sup>
- BRIGHT (ZYN2-CL-030) is an exploratory, single-center, open-label, Phase 2 study evaluating the safety and tolerability and efficacy of ZYN002 in children and adolescents with ASD who are 3 to <18 years old</li>
- ZYN002 is a pharmaceutically manufactured transdermal cannabidiol gel



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#### Methods

- The study enrolled patients with an Aberrant Behavior Checklist-Community (ABC-C) Irritability score ≥18
  and a Clinical Global Impression (CGI)—Severity score ≥4 (moderate or greater)
- Primary objective: To evaluate the safety and tolerability of ZYN002 for up to 38 weeks (14-week treatment period [Period 1] and a 24 week extension period [Period 2])
  - Safety assessments included adverse events (AEs), skin assessments, laboratory tests, and electrocardiograms (ECGs)
- The primary efficacy assessments included ABC-C and CGI
- Secondary objectives comprised evaluation of the efficacy of ZYN002 in the treatment of symptoms of ASD, including measuring parental/caregiver stress (APSI<sup>†</sup>), Parent Rated Anxiety Scale (PRAS), Autism Impact Measure (AIM), and qualitative caregiver-reported behavioral problems, assisting us to appreciate the voice of the patient and family
- Patients received ZYN002 250 mg or 500 mg (weight-based dose) daily for up to 38 weeks in addition to stable standard of care medications (including antipsychotic agents, when prescribed)
- Patients demonstrating ≥35% improvement in the ABC-C irritability subscale at week 14 were allowed to continue treatment for an additional 24 weeks
- The focus of this presentation is data from patients who entered Period 2 and completed 38 weeks of treatment



### **Baseline Demographics**

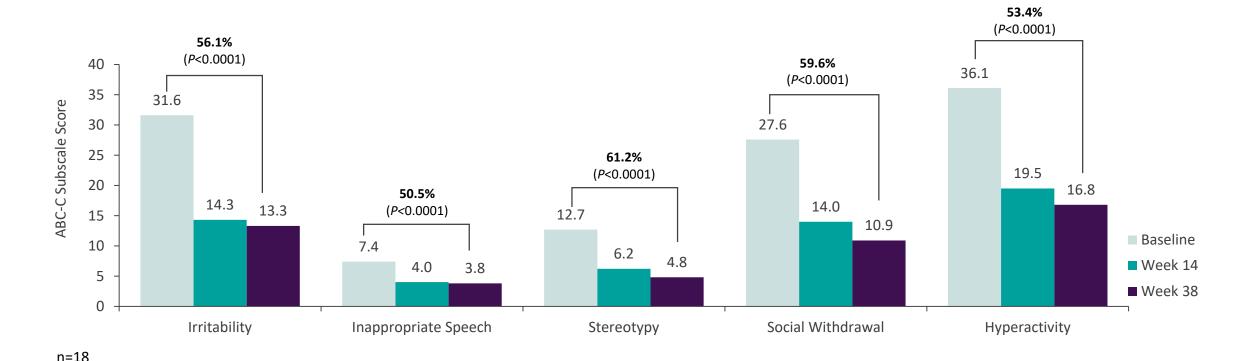
#### **Demographics were similar for patients in Period 1 and Period 2**

Characteristic	BRIGHT Participants Period 1 N=37	BRIGHT Participants Period 2 n=18
Age, mean years (range)	9.2 (3-16)	9.2 (3-16)
Sex, n (%) Male Female	34 (91.9) 3 (8.1)	16 (89) 2 (11)
Race, % White Indigenous Australian Asian Other	75.7 5.4 8.1 10.8	77.8 0 5.6 16.7



## Efficacy: Statistically Significant Improvements from baseline in all **ABC-C Subscale Scores**\* sustained through week 38

Mean Scores and Percent Improvement Through Week 38

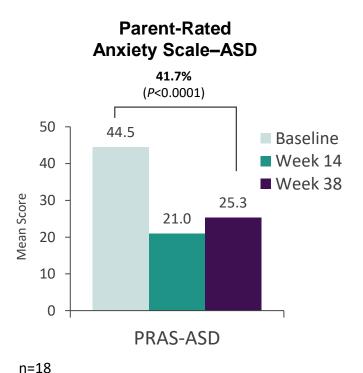


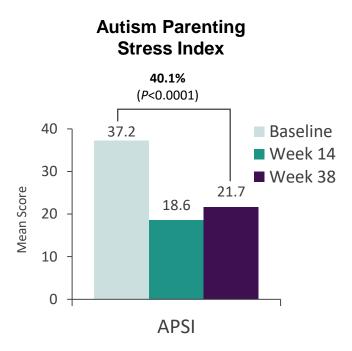
<sup>\*</sup>Lower values reflect improvement in each ABC-C subscale.

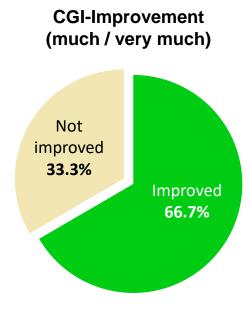


# Efficacy: Statistically Significant Improvements from baseline in PRAS-ASD, APSI, and CGI-I sustained through week 38

**Mean Scores and Percent Improvement Through Week 38** 





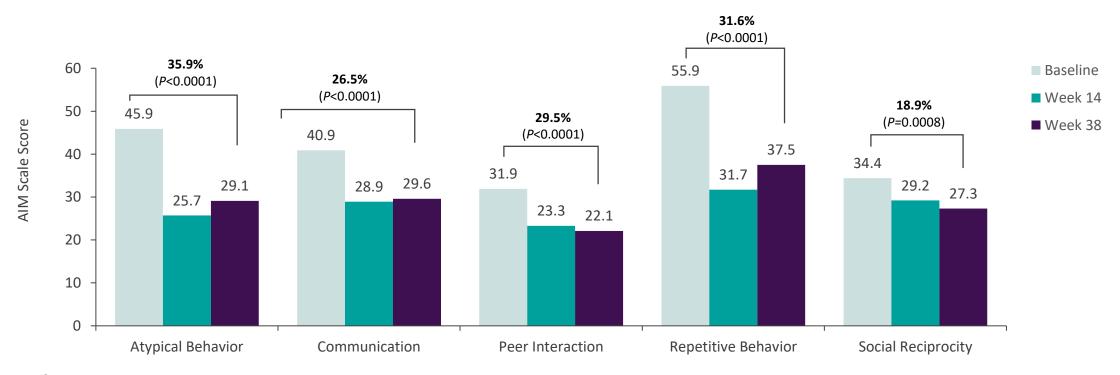


ASD=Autism Spectrum Disorder; CGI=Clinical Global Impression.



# Efficacy: Statistically Significant Improvements from baseline in **Autism Impact Measure Scores** sustained through 38 weeks

Mean Scores and Percent Improvement Through Week 38







### Summary of Overall Safety/Tolerability

- ZYN002 was generally well tolerated, and the safety profile was consistent with data from previous ZYN002 clinical trials
- During the 38-week study, slightly more than half (54.1%) of patients experienced any adverse event (AE) (whether unrelated or related to study drug)
- Throughout the study, all AEs were mild (80%) or moderate (20%) and transient
- Only 7 patients (19%) experienced an AE that was deemed to be treatment related
- Of the 10 treatment-related AEs reported, 7 were application site-related (application site reaction, pruritus, and dryness) and 1 each of sleep disorder, increased appetite, and pollakiuria.
- There were no severe or serious AEs reported during the study
- There were no clinically significant changes in vital signs, laboratories, or electrocardiogram (ECG) parameters



### Summary of Results: BRIGHT

- Through 38 weeks of treatment, BRIGHT provides initial evidence suggesting a positive benefit-risk profile for ZYN002 when administered in addition to stable standard of care in children and adolescents with moderate-to-severe ASD
- ZYN002 showed improvement in all ASD efficacy measures (ABC-C, AIM, PRAS-ASD, CGI-I)
- Further controlled studies are warranted in this difficult-to-treat population

