

# DRIVING SUSTAINABILITY IN AQUACULTURE

**Trading Update — 29 November 2019** 

All FY2019 figures quoted in this presentation are based on unaudited accounts





# CHALLENGING MARKETS LED TO DISAPPOINTING PERFORMANCE

- Conditions in shrimp and seabass/seabream markets significantly affected Advanced Nutrition
  - low shrimp prices after record harvests and overstocking
  - production reduced and delayed affecting demand for our products
  - effect in artemia exacerbated by strong harvests and price competition
- Delays and changes to commercial trials further impacted results
  - move to more conservative forecasting approach and focus on core operational profitability

Expected results
Total<sup>(1)</sup> Group Revenue

c. £148m

**Revenue from Continuing Operations** 

c.£127m

**Advanced Nutrition Revenue** 

-10%

Artemia revenue

-23%

Total (1) Adj. EBITDA<sup>2</sup>

£13m-£14 (2018: £17.0m)

**Continuing Operations Adj. EBITDA<sup>2</sup>** 

£11m-£12m

(2018: £19.1m)

<sup>(1)</sup> Continuing and discontinued



### MANAGEMENT CHANGES AND BUSINESS RESTRUCTURING

Interim Executive Chairman; recruitment of CEO well advanced Appointment of Septima Maguire as CFO; excellent handover

#### 1. Disposals and exits accelerated

- Appointed advisers for Knowledge Services and veterinary services
- In discussions with potential partners for companion animal

#### 2. R&D Investment reviewed

- Restructuring of trial facilities
- Phasing of R&D spend, focus on near term products

#### 3. Cost containment across the Group

FY20 focus on efficiency

## STRONG LEADERSHIP TEAM WITH BUY-IN



### **2020 PRIORITIES**

#### 1. Disposals, exits and cost reductions

 fundamental to execution of product development programme and support of continuing operations while maintaining adequate liquidity

# 2. Continued execution of strategy in core businesses

- Genetics: Salten ramp-up, local production in Chile, SPR shrimp
- Advanced Nutrition: focus on high margin diets and health products including probiotics

# 3. Commercial readiness for product candidate BMK08 (next generation sea lice treatment)

focus on scaling CleanTreat<sup>®</sup> and achieving regulatory approval





# BMK 08 - A TRANSFORMATIONAL SOLUTION TO ONE OF THE BIGGEST INDUSTRY CHALLENGES

Sea lice treatment and prevention

£2-3bn

+ reputation & production loss

No treatment in the market is fully efficacious



- Extensive programme of trials over 24 months
  - Significant efficiency improvements achieved
  - Demonstrable growing interest from customers
- Regulatory approval progressing; expected late 2020 CY
- Preparing commercial launch



# CLEANTREAT® - TRANSFORMING THE SUSTAINABILITY LANDSCAPE FOR MEDICINAL TREATMENTS IN AQUACULTURE

- Winner of the 2019 Aquaculture Innovation Award
- Addresses environmental contamination; one of most pressing societal concerns in sustainability
- Broad application for current and future medicinal treatments in the industry
- Proven removed medicines and other pollutants in large scale trials - 300,000+ m3 water treated
- Now defining optimal strategy for commercial scale-up







### FINANCIAL OVERVIEW: FY19

Total<sup>1</sup> revenue **c.£148m** (2018: £151.5m) – 2% Revenue from Continuing Operations **c.£127m** (2018: £131.6m) – 3%

Animal Health Total<sup>1</sup> revenue +10%

Veterinary services discontinued

Genetics
Total<sup>1</sup> revenue
+11%
Increased salmon egg

sales and pricing

Total<sup>1</sup> revenue
-10%
Weak markets in shrimp and sea

**Advanced** 

**Nutrition** 

Total<sup>1</sup> Adjusted EBITDA<sup>3</sup> £13m to £14m (2018: 17.0m)

Adjusted EBITDA<sup>3</sup> from Continuing Operations £11m to £12m
(2018: 19.1m)

Knowledge Services Total<sup>1</sup> revenue

All discontinued

Free cash outflow<sup>4</sup> c. £24m

2018: £36.1m

Capex Investment C. £12m

2018: £25.1m

Net debt<sup>5</sup> £87.1m

bass/ bream

Following refinancing in June

2018: £55.7m

<sup>(1)</sup> Continuing and discontinued

<sup>(2)</sup> EBITDA is earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation and impairment

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is EBITDA<sup>2</sup> before exceptional items and acquisition related expenditure

<sup>(4)</sup> Free Cash Flow is operating cashflow less investment capex (including capitalised development costs)

<sup>(5)</sup> Net debt is cash and cash equivalents less loans and borrowings

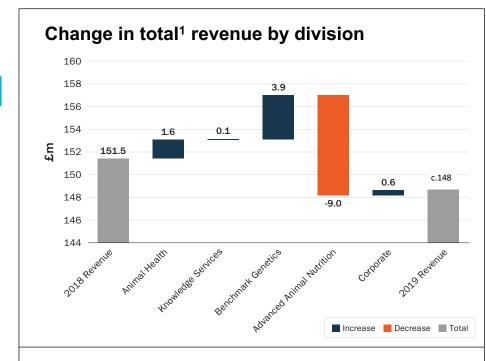
<sup>(6)</sup> Liquidity is defined as undrawn facilities plus cash balances

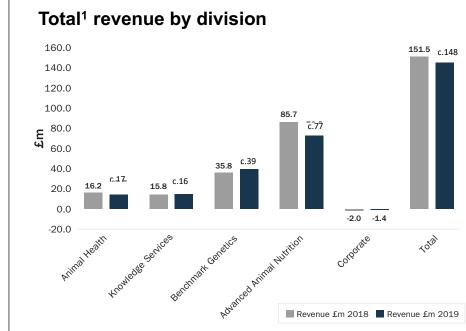


# REVENUE IMPACTED BY ADVERSE MARKETS IN ADVANCED NUTRITION

#### 2% decrease in Total<sup>1</sup> Group revenue

- Advanced Nutrition c.-10%
  - Weak markets
  - Aggressive price competition from CIS artemia producers
- Genetics c.+9%
  - Increased salmon egg prices and volumes
  - Revenues ahead of growth in sector
- Health c.+5%
  - Increased Salmosan sales
  - Reduced field trials contribution
  - Veterinary and diagnostics (Discontinued)







# ADJUSTED EBITDA IMPACTED BY LOWER SALES AND HIGHER OPEX INVESTMENT

#### Total<sup>1</sup> Adjusted EBITDA<sup>3</sup>

- Expected to be in the range £13m to £14m (2018: £17.0m)
- Margin of c. 9% (2018: 11%)

#### Continuing Operations Adjusted EBITDA<sup>2</sup>

- Expected to be in the range £11m to £12m (2018: £19.1m)
- Margin of c. 9% (2018: 15%)
- Increased "investment" opex
  - R&D (focus on products close to launch) and leadership in core markets
- Offset by one-off Other Income

#### Exceptional

- Restructuring of management
- Discontinued operations

#### Impairments

 Impact of challenging market conditions on Advanced Nutrition and exit from some discontinued operations

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## CASHFLOW, NET DEBT AND LIQUIDITY

- Reduced Free Cash Flow<sup>4</sup> outflow of c. £24m (2018: outflow of £36.1m)
  - Increased biological assets (inventory) in new Genetics production facilities
  - Inventory increase linked to Advanced Nutrition key supplier agreement
  - Timing of sales resulted in higher accounts receivable
  - Passed peak of investment capex
- Movement in net debt<sup>5</sup>
  - Increase of £31.4m
  - Resulting from FCF outflow; and
  - Interest payments

- Liquidity<sup>6</sup> of £28.6m at year end
  - Minimum liquidity covenant of £10m
  - Significant headroom in equity ratio covenant

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### **MARKET CONDITIONS AND OUTLOOK**

- Weakness in the shrimp and sea bass/bream markets continues
  - unlikely to recover to 2018 levels in FY2020
- Overall, expect to deliver underlying Adjusted EBITDA (before one-off other income) in line with FY19
- Disposals are fundamental to ability to execute investment plan and support continuing operations while maintaining adequate headroom

#### Salmon

#### **Favourable conditions continue**

- Growing demand and consistently high prices
- Expect to continue, driven by demand from US and Asia (China)

#### Shrimp

#### **Challenging markets**

- Lowest price level in 30 years as a result of overstocking following record harvest volumes in 2018
- Some recovery expected but not expected to return to 2018 levels in 2020

#### Sea bass/ bream

#### **Challenging markets**

- Low prices for sea bass/bream following period of overstocking resulting in reduced production. Exacerbated by economic environment in Turkey.
- Challenging markets continue



# POSITIONED TO BE A LEADER IN RAISING THE SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS IN AQUACULTURE DELIVERING SHAREHOLDER VALUE









Improving animal health and welfare across the production cycle

Strong **innovation** track record bringing to market disruptive solutions supported by patents

Environment and sustainability

Strategy to move from R&D Investment phase to **profitability** 



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