



PLANT HEALTH CARE PLC (AIM: PHC. OTCQB: PLHFC)

COMPANY OVERVIEW AND H1 TRADING STATEMENT - SEPTEMBER 2021



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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### **COST-EFFECTIVE PRODUCTS FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE:**

- Sustainability sector growing at >16% pa
- Awarded the LSE's Green Economy Mark: June 2021

#### **EXISTING COMMERCIAL BUSINESS:**

- Proven products, grower ROI typically 6 14x
- Revenue poised to accelerate; profitable and cash generative

**Est. 32m** 

Hectares Market access with 4 of top global distributors

Harpin  $\alpha\beta$  sales + 26%

**c.70% GM**Harpin αβ in H1 2021

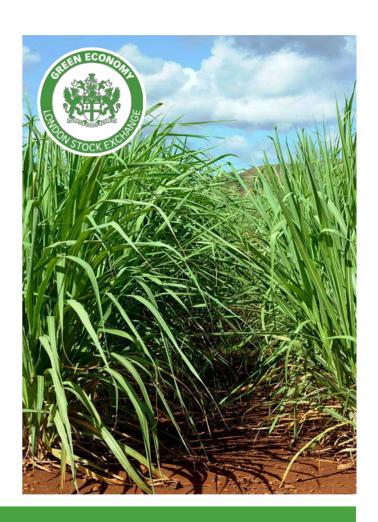
CASH GENERATIVE

#### **NEXT GENERATION TECHNOLOGY: PRETEC - 'VACCINES FOR PLANTS':**

- Disruptive platform technology; >\$24M invested
- Targeting markets with \$5bn value; first launch planned for H2 2021

#### **FUNDED TO CASH BREAK-EVEN:**

- \$11.1m cash reserves 1; targeting cash positive
- Listed on OTCQB to facilitate trading by US investors



## **PLANT HEALTH CARE - AT AN INFLECTION POINT**

Cash reserves as of 30th June, 2021



# SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE - A STRONG GROWTH SECTOR

### THE WORLD NEEDS MORE FOOD

"The UN calculates that the world will need to produce an extra 40% more food by 2050, simply to keep pace with world population"

(Financial Times, 2nd Sept, 2021)



#### **FARMING GETS HARDER**



# BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS SUPPORT SUSTAINABLE FOOD PRODUCTION

- Inspired by nature
- Produce more from less land
- Protect precious soils and biodiversity
- Reduce the use of chemicals and fertilisers

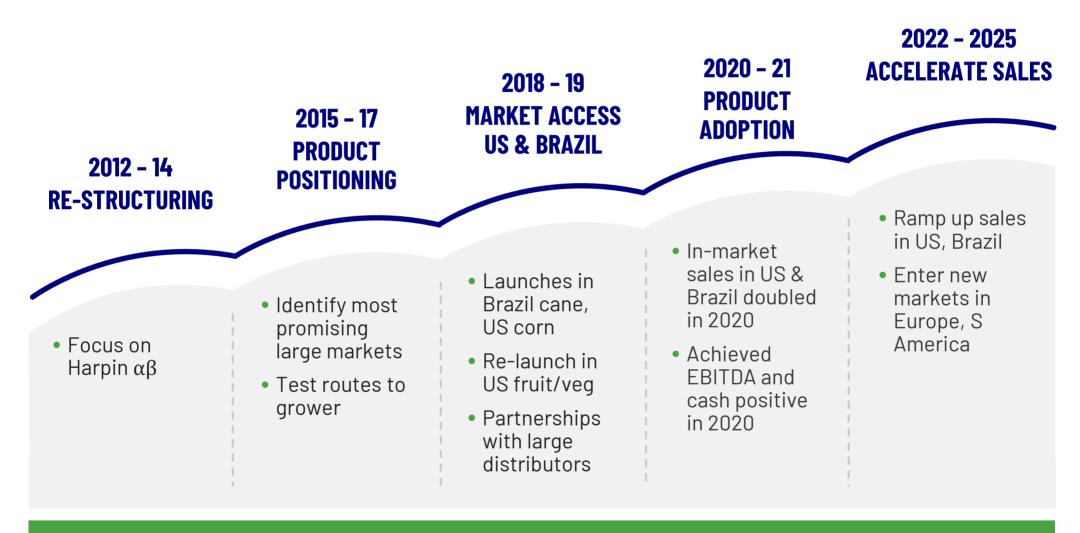


## DEMAND FOR 'BIOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS' INCREASING AT >16% PA 1

Source Dunham Trimmer, 2020



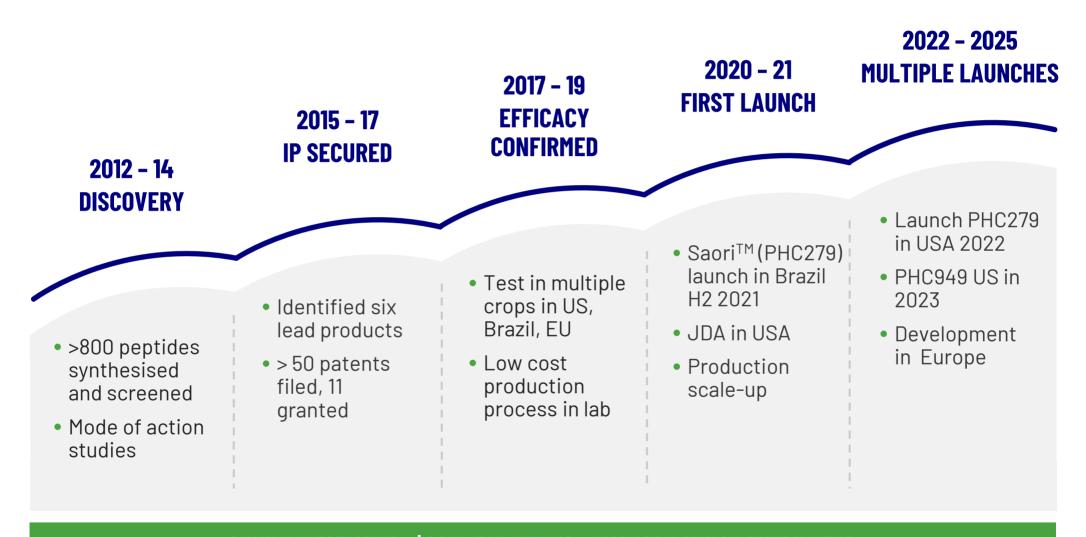
# THE TRANSFORMATION OF PLANT HEALTH CARE: COMMERCIAL



## PROFITABLE COMMERCIAL BUSINESS POISED TO ACCELERATE



# PRE TEC - TARGETING MARKETS WITH VALUE GREATER THAN \$5BN



**SUNK INVESTMENT >\$24M; TARGETING >1 MAJOR LAUNCH EVERY YEAR** 



# **TARGETS FOR 2025**

#### 1. MAJOR MARKETS: \$5 - 15m OPPORTUNITIES

- US Corn, US Specialty crops, Brazil cane
- Growth towards mid-term targets continues

## 2. HARPIN $\alpha\beta$ : OTHER MARKETS

Driving growth in Europe, Mexico, S America

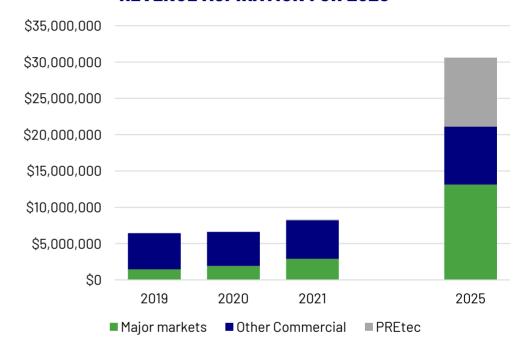
#### 3. PRETEC: ANNUAL PRODUCT LAUNCHES FROM 2021

- Brazil Saori™ \$10m target mid-term
- US launches in 2022 and 2023, each \$5 10m targets

#### **4. MID-TERM GROUP TARGETS**

- Achieve cash positive
- Match peer group 25 30% EBITDA/Sales
- Explore opportunities in sector consolidation

#### **REVENUE ASPIRATION FOR 2025**



Major markets are US corn, US specialty crops & Brazil cane; on-ground sales 2019 – 2021 at value ex PHC

Other Commercial includes Europe, Mexico, ROW

### **AMBITIOUS MID-TERM TARGETS SUPPORTED BY DELIVERY IN 2020 - 21**



# COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: STRONG IN-MARKET REVENUE GROWTH IN USA

#### 1. US CORN

- Stronger, taller corn; yield +3 5% at \$3 cost per acre
- Continued strong sales growth in H1 2021, on plan
- PHC makes \$1 per acre treated; \$5m opportunity 1

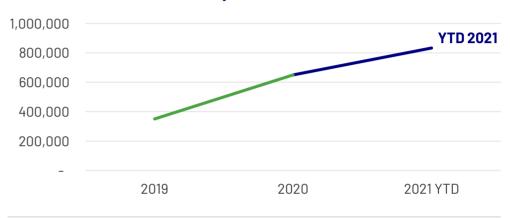
#### 2. SPECIALITY CROPS USA

- Partnership with Wilbur Ellis, #4 distributor \$3.4bn sales, focussed on biologicals
- PHC makes \$5 per ounce sold; \$10m pa opportunity 2

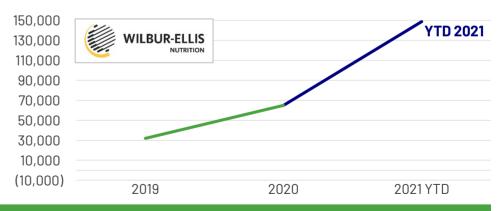
Note: Sales ex PHC in the USA occur mainly in H2



#### ACRES TREATED WITH HARPIN lphaeta in US corn 2019-20, 2021 YTD



# IN-MARKET SALES (OZ.) OF HARPIN $\alpha\beta$ IN US SPECIALTY CROPS 2019-20, 2021 YTD



### PRODUCT ADOPTION ACCELERATING IN VERY LARGE MARKETS

<sup>1.</sup> Based on 92 million acres of US corn, 5% market share would equate to \$5M in potential sales at \$1 per acre ex PHC

<sup>2.</sup> Based on 1% share of the \$1 billion. West Coast specialty crop protection market, would equate to PHC revenue of \$10m.



# **COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: BRAZIL, EUROPE & MEXICO**

#### 1. BRAZIL SUGAR CANE

- Outstanding product benefits: Yield increase >23%; ROI >14x
- · Drought reinforced product benefits
- Sales growth resuming in Q3 2021; \$15m sales opportunity <sup>1</sup>

#### 2. EUROPE

- Spain/Portugal sales H1 increased 69% driven increased sales in citrus
- New agreement with Agrii, UK market leader
- UK sales growth in potatoes and amenity (turf)

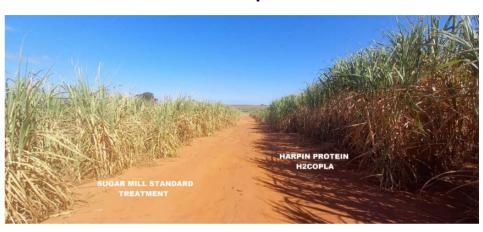
### 3. MEXICO

- H1 2021 sales \$1.3m (vs \$1.4m 2020); third party products 77% of sales
- H2 season started well, with better prices of export vegetables
- Moved to US\$ pricing to reduce currency volatility

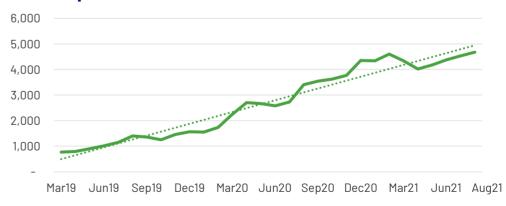
#### 4. ARGENTINA

 Registration achieved August 2021; major opportunities in corn, soy. Targeting first sales in 2022

#### OUTSTANDING BENEFITS OF HARPIN $\alpha\beta$ under drought conditions 2021



#### HARPIN $\alpha\beta$ sales kg LTM 2019 - 2021 YTD



## PRODUCT ADOPTION ACCELERATING IN BRAZIL, SPAIN, UK



# PRE TEC: LAUNCHING SAORITM - A NEW ERA IN SOYBEAN PRODUCTION

#### **VERY LARGE OPPORTUNITY**

- Brazil 38 million Ha of soybeans
- Fungicide spend by farmers \$2.85 billion <sup>1</sup>



# PARTNERSHIP WITH MAJOR DISTRIBUTOR

- World's largest distributor of ag inputs \$15bn<sup>2</sup>
- Major investment in Brazil
- "Building differentiated biological portfolio"



#### **SAORITM**

- Saori<sup>™</sup> seed treatment protects against disease throughout the season
- Yield increase average 4%, worth \$80/Ha to grower
- First commercial sales Q3
   2021; limited launch to build grower awareness
- 2025 target \$10+ m sales



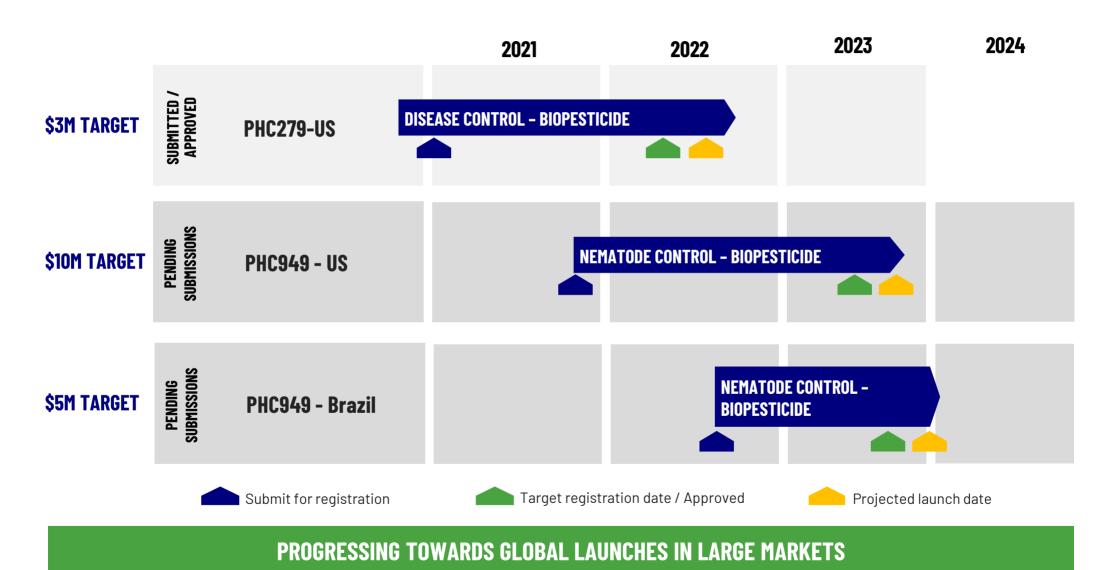
## SAORITM - 'LOOKING AFTER YOUR SOY WHEN YOU ARE NOT THERE'

<sup>1.</sup> Spark, Business Intelligence Panel, 2019/20 season, Brazil

<sup>2.</sup> Nutrien results for 2020, Nutrien Annual Report



# PRE TEC: ACCELERATING GLOBAL LAUNCH PLANS



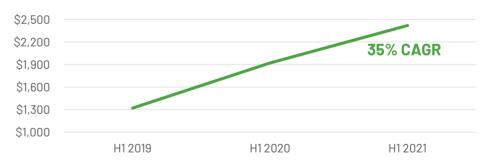


# H1 2021 - P&L FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	HY 2021 \$000	HY 2020 \$000
Revenue	\$3,499	\$3,100
Gross margin	\$1,956	\$1,814
Margin percentage	56%	59%
Cash operating expenses	\$4,241	\$3,650
Adjusted LBITDA *	\$(2,285)	\$(1,836)
Translational (gain)/loss **	\$(423)	\$1,988
Other non-cash expenses	\$468	\$371
Operating loss ***	\$(2,330)	\$(4,195)

- Revenue increased 13%
- Harpin  $\alpha\beta$  revenue increased 26% to \$2.4m
- Gross Margin 56% (H1 HY20: 59%). The decrease is mainly currency effect in Mexico
- Operating expenses increased to drive commercial sales and PREtec product launches
- Cash used in operations \$1.5m (HY20: \$2.1m)
- Translational gains/(losses) are non-cash items

#### Harpin $\alpha\beta$ Revenue



<sup>\* -</sup> Adjusted LBITDA defined as loss before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and share-based payments and intercompany foreign exchange.

### **ROBUST REVENUE GROWTH**

<sup>\*\* -</sup> Translational gains and loss are based on the value of Sterling loans from our UK subsidiary and fluctuate based on the value of the Pound.

<sup>\*\*\* -</sup> Operating loss includes the effect of translational gains and losses.



# H1 2021 - BALANCE SHEET FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	HY 2021 \$000	FY 2020 \$000
Non-current assets	\$3,154	\$3,144
Inventory	\$3,077	\$3,567
Receivables	\$2,405	\$3,029
Cash and equivalents	\$11,104	\$4,149
Total assets	\$19,740	\$13,889
Payables/accrued exp	\$1,698	\$2,118
Borrowings(leases)	\$1,063	\$1,209
Total liabilities	\$2,761	\$3,327
Total equity	\$16,979	\$10,562

- Inventory progressively reduced over last 18 months
- Receivables decreased \$0.6m from YE 2020
- Working capital decreased \$0.4m or 7% to \$4.6m since YE 2020 (FY 2020: \$5.0m)
- Successfully raised \$9.1m (net of costs) in March 2021
- Cash and equivalents: \$11.1m (FY20: \$4.1m)
- Per IFRS 16 guidance, all leases are included in the balance sheet as borrowings.

## STRONG BALANCE SHEET - FOCUSED ON CASH MANAGEMENT



# **SUMMARY**

- Sustainability sector growing at >16% pa
- Proven products, with revenue poised to accelerate
- >\$24m invested in 'Vaccines for plant', major annual launches planned
- Targeting \$30+m sales in 2025
- Cash positive within existing reserves
- Explore opportunities in sector consolidation

#### **GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES**



US WEST COAST FARMERS SPEND \$10bn ON DISEASE CONTROL

BRAZIL SOY FARMERS SPEND \$2.5bn ON DISEASE CONTROL

Nutrien

\$15bn

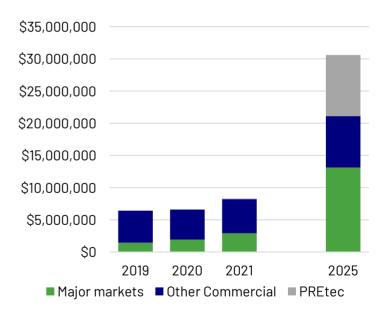
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\$3.4bn company Agrii. \$1.8bn

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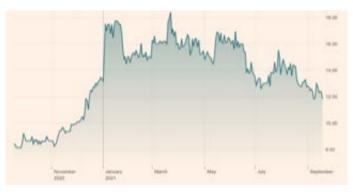
#### **REVENUE ASPIRATION FOR 2025**



### PROVEN GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES AT 70% GM UNDERPIN ASPIRATIONS

# SHARE METRICS

PLANT HEALTH CARE PLC	AIM: PHC
Share price*	£0.12
Market cap*	£37,496,360
Total shares outstanding**	302,387,482
Stock options* (subject to various performance conditions such as share price hurdles)	22,843,302
Total fully diluted shares*	325,230,784
52-week range*	£0.082-£0.184



<sup>\*</sup> As of 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

Source: London Stock Exchange.

#### MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS\*\*

Ospraie AG Science	64,154,361	21.22%
Mr Richard I Griffiths	53,401,629	17.66%
Lombard Odier	27,091,302	8.96%
Janus Henderson	18,214,286	6.02%
Boulder River Capital Corp	15,365,253	5.08%
Management, Directors and related parties***	5,030,032	2.00%

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<sup>\*\*</sup> As of 16th September, 2021.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Excludes stock options held by management and Directors.