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## Agenda

#### Introduction

Peter Rothschild, Chairman of the Board, IBT Staffan Strömberg PhD, Chief Executive Officer, IBT

#### What is Necrotizing Enterocolitis

Professor Josef Neu MD, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology, Univ. Florida, Gainesville

#### Break

#### Why IBP-9414 for Necrotizing Enterocolitis Gastroschisis and IBP-1016 – A New Opportunity

Eamonn Connolly PhD, Chief Scientific Officer, IBT

#### Pharmaceutical Development of IBP-9414 – Breaking New Ground

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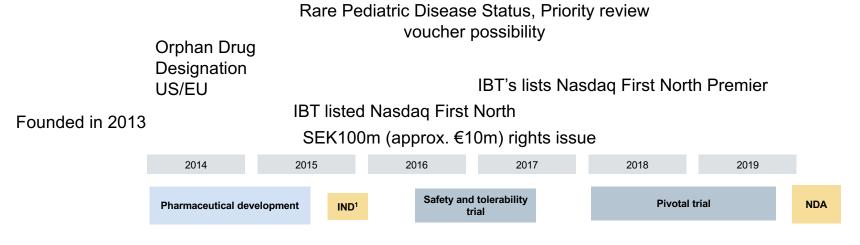
#### A Globally Valuable Pharmaceutical

Daniel Mackey, Chief Financial Officer, IBT

#### Closing Remarks

Staffan Strömberg PhD, Chief Executive Officer, IBT

## **Infant Bacterial Therapeutics**



IBT announced that the last premature infant was enrolled in the Phase II study

# Necrotizing Enterocolitis: An Update

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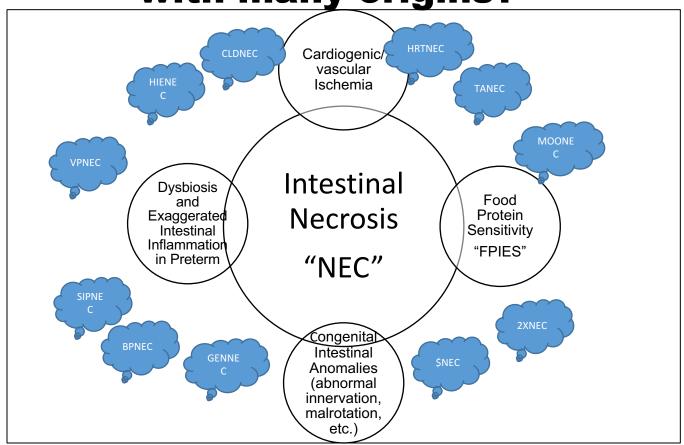
- Definition of "NEC": Can we focus on a "Classic NEC"?
- Dysbiosis and NEC
- •Are neonatologists causing dysbiosis in preterms?
- The Future

# Historical Perspective: Being led astray: 50 years---not much progress



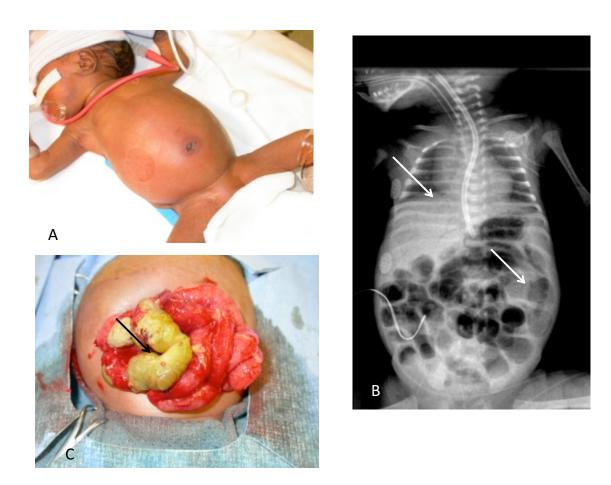
- Lumping of several diseases called "NEC" into the same data set.
- Animal models that do not represent the disease we see in human preterms.
- Narrow focus on individual pathways rather than systems.

More than one disease or one disease with many origins?



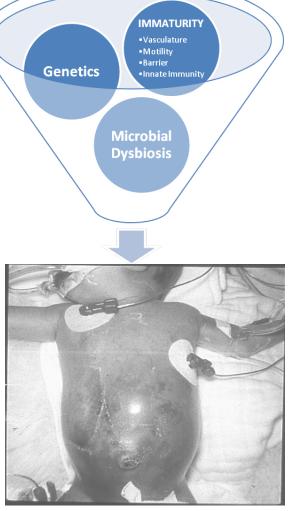
Adapted from Gordon, PV. Et al. Seminars in Perinatology, 2017

## "Classic" NEC



Neu, J. and Walker, W. A. New England Journal of Medicine, Jan. 2011

# What Causes Classic "NEC"? Some Factors



Where's Hypoxia-Ischemia and Feeding?

# Rat model of "NEC".



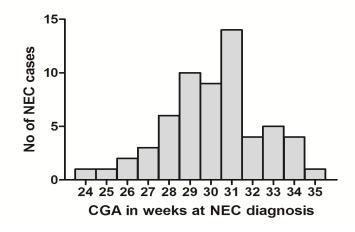
# Mean Gestational Age at NEC Diagnosis



23 week preterm



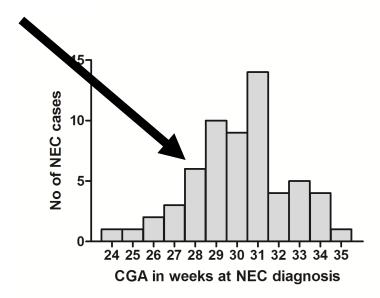
29 week preterm



Pammi, M. et al. Microbiome, 2017

# Mean Gestational Age at NEC Diagnosis

- Microvasculature Changes?
- TLR Developmental Pattern?
- Microbiota changes?

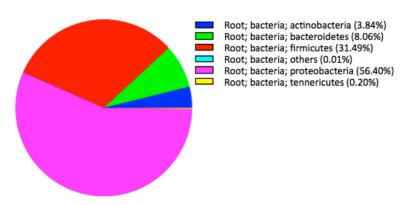


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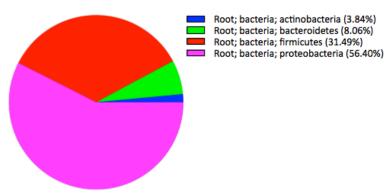
### **FECAL MICROBIOTA: NEC**

Mai V, Young C. PLOS One, May 2011

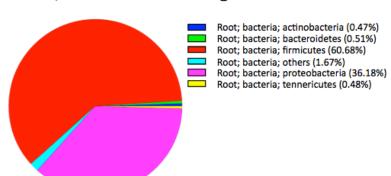
#### Controls, one week before diagnosis



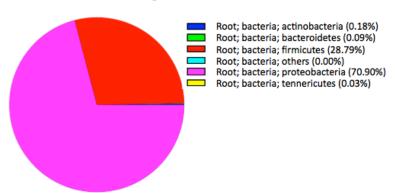
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#### Cases, one week before diagnosis



#### Cases, <72h of diagnosis



## **Microbial Shift Prior to NEC**

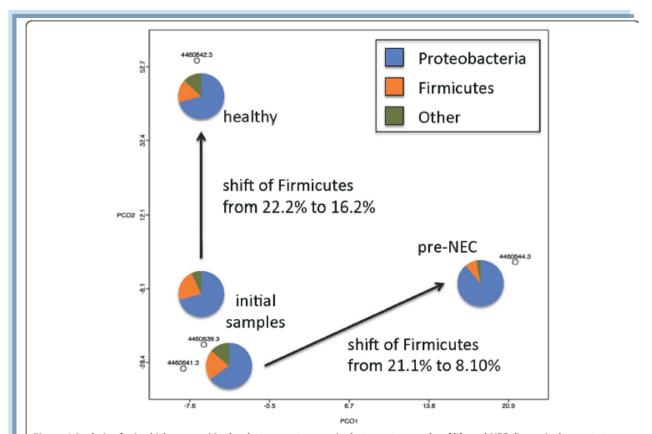
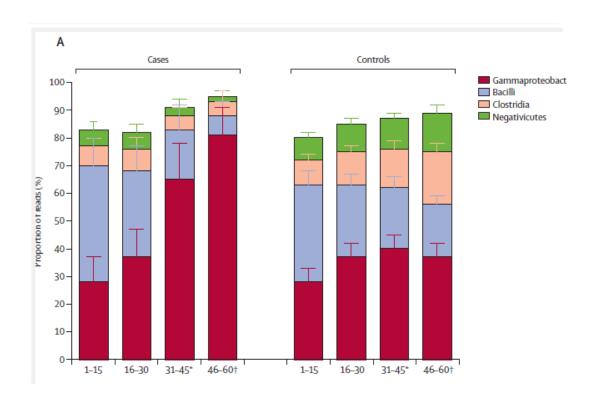


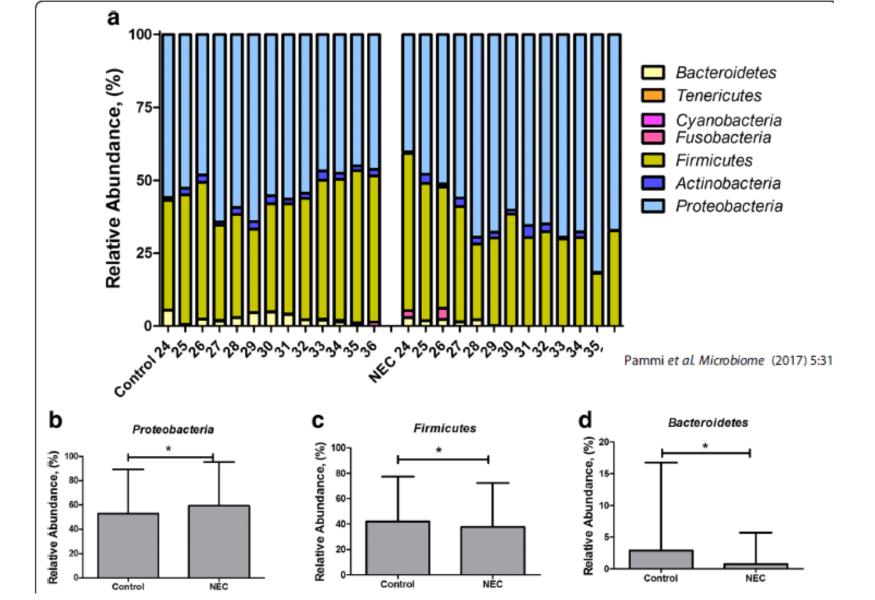
Figure 4 Analysis of microbial communities by shotgun metagenomics between two weeks of life and NEC diagnosis demonstrate functional distinction. Shotgun metagenomes generated from twin patients at times prior to NEC diagnosis (only one of the twins went on to be diagnosed with NEC; labeled 'pre-NEC'). An expansion of the Proteobacteria is noted in the patient that went on to develop NEC.

From Claud, E. et al. Microbiome, 2013

### **Abundance of Gamma-Proteobacteria**



Warner, B. et al. Lancet March 8,2016



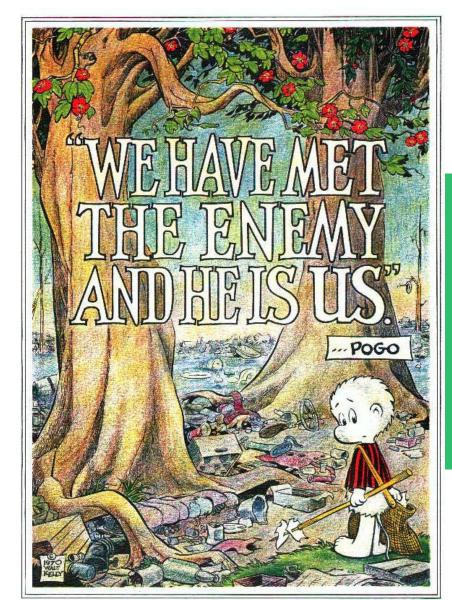
# Comparison of three major phyla: Proteobacteria, Firmicutes and Bacteroidetes

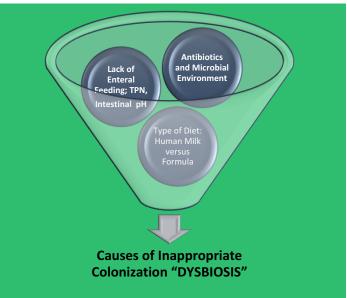
Proteobacteria, Firmicutes and Bacteroidetes					
Phylum	Gram Staining	Functional Relationship	Comment		
Proteobacteria	Gram negative	High Lipopolysaccharide (LPS) content in cell wall. Abundance of Proteobacteria increased prior to exacerbations of inflammatory bowel diesease. Strong stimulator of TLR4. E. Coli, Klebsiella and Pseudomonas are representatives.	Gram Negative  PORIN  S. Jayer  OUTER MEMBIN  FERFICIONAL  CTTOPLASHIC  HEMBIN NE		
Firmicutes	Gram positive	Lactobacilli are a common class of the Firmicutes phylum. Have high lipoteichoic acid in the cell wall, but low LPS. Have excellent capacity for energy harvest. Produce butyrate in high quantities. Butyrate is a major fuel for colonocytes and important for maintenance of tight junctions.	Lapogolysacharide  Stayer  Techok Acid Lapogolysacharide  Techok Acid Lapogolysach Membrane  Peptidoglycan  Peptidoglycan  Fisana  Gram-Positive Cell Envelope		
Bacteroidetes	Gram negative, anaerobic, rod shaped bacteria.	Involved in fermentation of carbohydrates (propionate and acetate producers), utilization of nitrogenous substances, and biotransformation of bile acids. Bacteroides fragilis is a representative. The immunomodulatory molecule, polysaccharide A (PSA), of <i>B. fragilis</i> mediates the conversion of CD4 <sup>+</sup> T cells into Foxp3 <sup>+</sup> Treg cells that produce IL-10 during commensal colonization. PSA is not only able to prevent, but also cure experimental colitis in animals. Propionic acid is also a strong inducer of the Foxp3+ R regulatory pathway.	Does official to strike  Consider project for the construction of		

# Pathways hypothesized to be involved in the etiology of NEC

- Microbial Mucosal Interactions
- Toll Like receptor activation primarily TLR-4
- Modulation of anti-inflammatory pathways (IL-10, TGF Beta) via macrophages
- Regulation of Protective Th17 Cells
- Paneth cell protective mechanisms
- VEGF maturation pathways
- ER Stress Pathways
- Oxidation Pathways

Best to aim for proximal components of pathophysiologic cascade---these can be utilized for prevention. It is unlikely that we find a treatment for this disease.





# Most Commonly used Drugs in the NICU: Majority of VLBW infants are Exposed to Antibiotics

#### **Top 10 Medications Prescribed in the NICU**

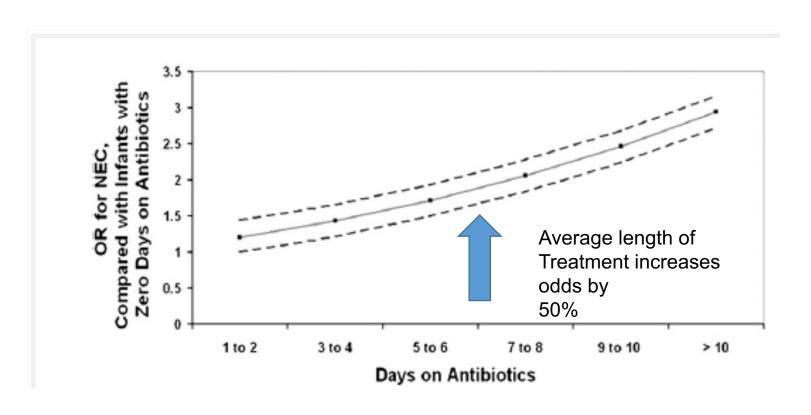
Medication Name

Frequency, A

Ampicillin	186 799
Gentamicin	171 388
Ferrous sulfate	90 152
Vitamin (multivitamin)	64 329
Cefotaxime	55 455
Caffeine citrate	48 814
Furosemide	47 278
• Vancomycin	44 218
Beractant (Survanta)	36 410
Metoclopramide	27 541



# **Odds Ratio of NEC** with Increased Days on Antibiotics Alexander, V.N. J. Pediatrics, Sept. 2011

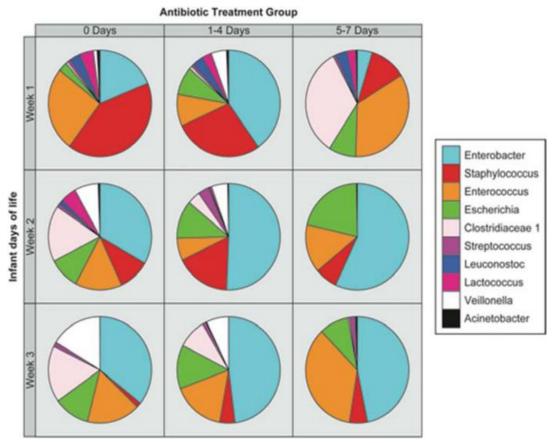


## Initial Antibiotics, Total Antibiotic Exposure and Select Adverse Outcomes

	Description	Initial Empirical Antibiotic Therapy			p-value
		0 days 60 (16.4%)	1-4 days 175 (48%)	≥5 days 130 (35.6%)	
Total days treated with antibiotics during hospital course	Median (range) [IQR]	0 (0-21) [0-0]	3 (1–55) [3–8])	14* (5–84) [8–27]	<.0001
Composite <sup>+</sup>	No. (%)	7 (11.7%)	31 (17.7%)	53 (40.8%)*	<.0001
Late onset sepsis	No. (%)	7 (11.7%)	23 (13.1%)	46 (35.4%)*	<.0001
NEC	No. (%)	0	8 (4.6%)	9 (6.9%)	0.11
Death	No. (%)	0	8 (4.6%)	12 (9.2%)	0.03

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>+</sup>Any outcome of death, sepsis, or NEC after 7 days of life

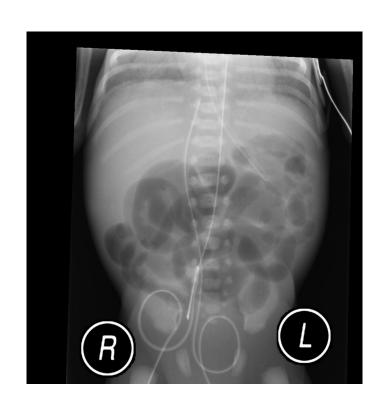
# **Antibiotics and the Microbiome**

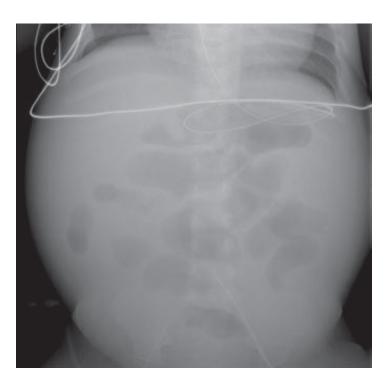


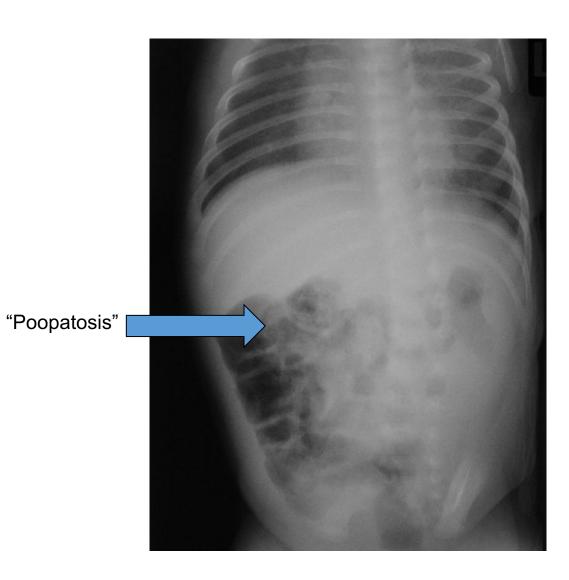
Greenwood C, Morrow AL, Lagomarcino AJ, et al. J Pediatr 2014.



## **NEC: A Diagnostic Dilemma**



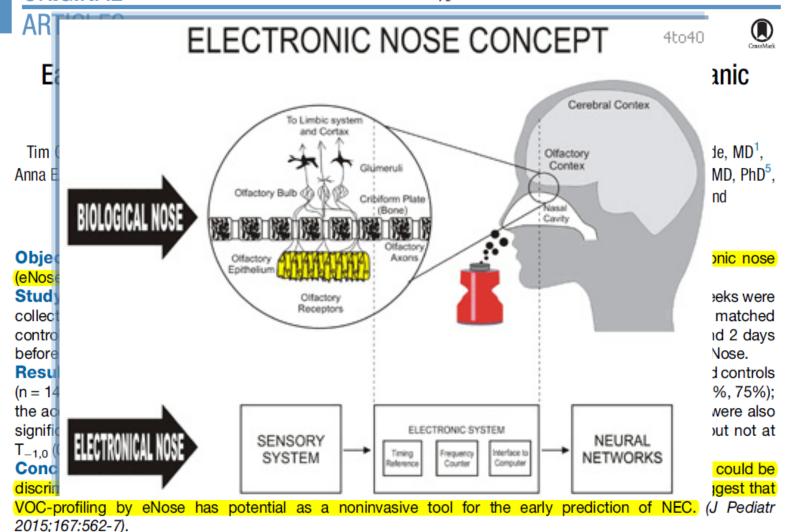




# **NEC versus Non NEC Differentiation**

Thuijls, et al. Annals of Surgery, 251 (6), June 2010

Marker	Cutoff Point	Sensitivity	Specificity	LR+	LR-	AUC (95%CI)	P
I-FABP	2.25 pg/mmole creatinine	0.93	0.90	9.3	0.08	0.98 (0.94- 1.0)	<0.001
Claudin-3	800.8 INT	0.71	0.81	3.74	0.36	0.76 (0.59- 0.94)	0.016
Calprotectin	286.2 microgram/gram feces	0.86	0.93	12.29	0.15	0.94 (0.85- 1.0)	0.001



# Summary and the Future

- Treatment of NEC once the process begins is extremely difficult and prevention based on a better understanding of the causes will be critical.
- NEC Pathogenesis is Multifactorial. However, there is strong evidence that a microbial "dysbiosis" constitutes an important component of the pathophysiology of the "classic" form of NEC.
- We need to have better systems (enteroids, animal models) to evaluate mechanisms that fulfill criteria for causality derived from strong associations found in humans.
- Microbial based strategies are promising.

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# Why IBP-9414 for Necrotizing Enterocolitis Gastroschisis and IBP-1016 – A New Opportunity

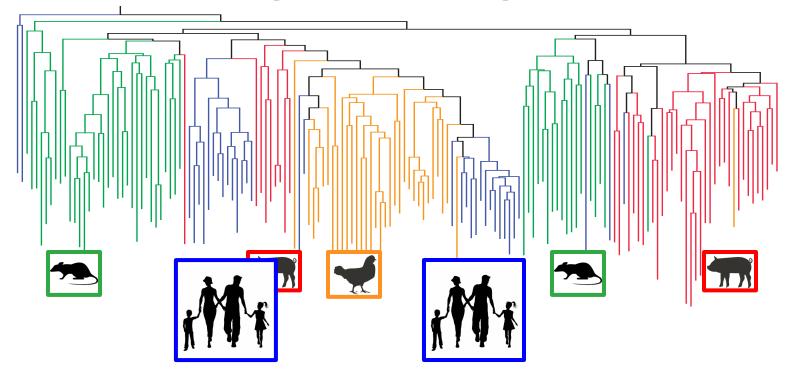
Eamonn Connolly PhD, Chief Scientific Officer

## Why is Lactobacillus reuteri so unique?



### Evolutionary adaptation of *L. reuteri* to the human gut

### Genetic relatedness of global L. reuteri genomes



L. reuteri shares a long evolutionary history in the human gut and in human breast milk

L. reuteri is a true human gut symbiont with mutual benefit to both human host and bacterium

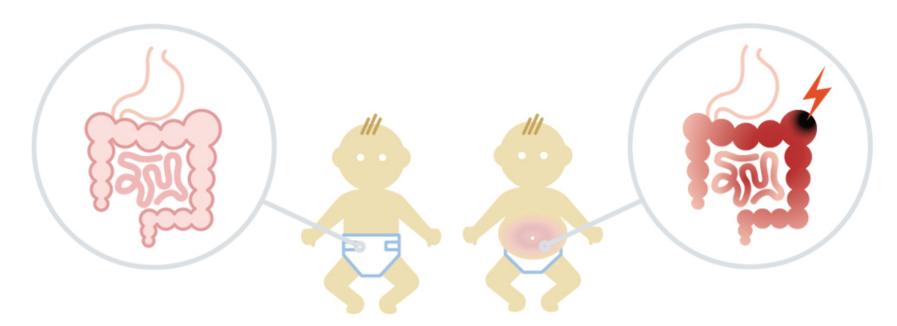
Source: Oh 2010, Walter 2011







# **Necrotizing Enterocolitis (NEC)**



NEC is severe inflammation of the bowel in preterm infant bowel which can lead to death of the baby

Major surgery required in 20-40% of NEC cases at cost of 300 kUSD or more

Survivors have long-term consequences: short-bowel syndrome, abnormal growth, cognitive, visual and hearing impairments

There is no preventive treatment for NEC

# **Necrotizing Enterocolitis (NEC)**

#### NEC kills 1500 US och 3700 EU infants every year





# Who gets NEC?

#### **Premature infants**

	Infants birth	NEC incidence	NEC mortality	Mortality (% of
High incidence and mortality	weight	rate (%)	rate (%)	weight cohort)
	501-750g	12.0%	42.0%	5.0%
	751-1,000g	9.2%	29.4%	2.7%
	1,001-1250g	5.7%	21.3%	1.2%
	1,251-1,500g	3.3%	15.9%	0.5%
	1,501-2,500g	0.4%	8.2-17%	0.03-0.06%
	>2,500g	0.1%	0-20%	0-0.02%

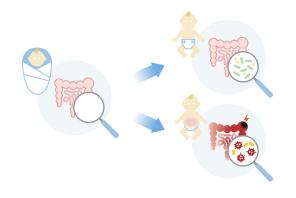
The smaller the premature infant is at birth, the more likely he/she will get NEC and die

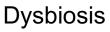
Source: Clark et al, 2012

# What causes NEC?

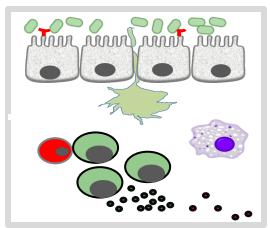


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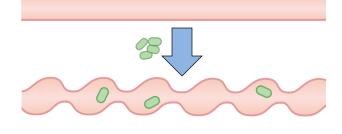


Over representation of pathogens in the gut of the gastroschisis infant



Inflammation

Intestinal inflammation is known to have negative effects on gastrointestinal function

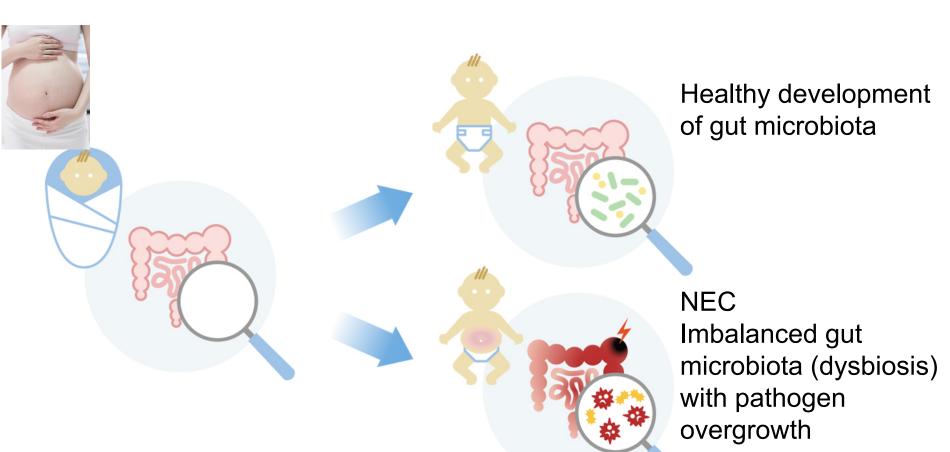


**Gut motility** 

Severe impairment of gut motility is the unmet medical need of the gastroschisis infant

# What causes NEC? – Dysbiosis in the gut

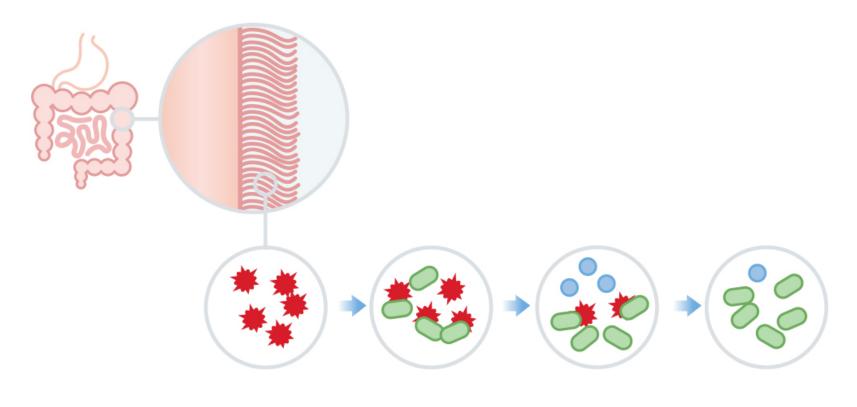
### **Growth of pathogens**



Source: Mai 2011, Warner 2016

### What does *L. reuteri* do?

### Fights pathogen growth in gut





Pathogen



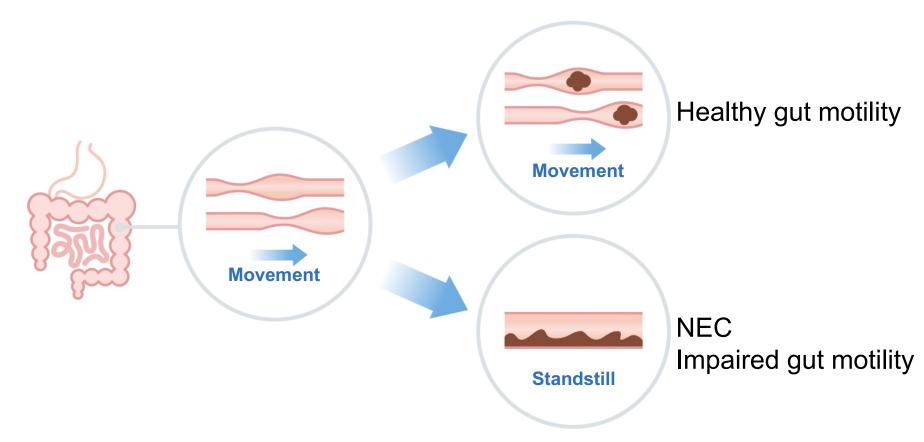
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Reuterin

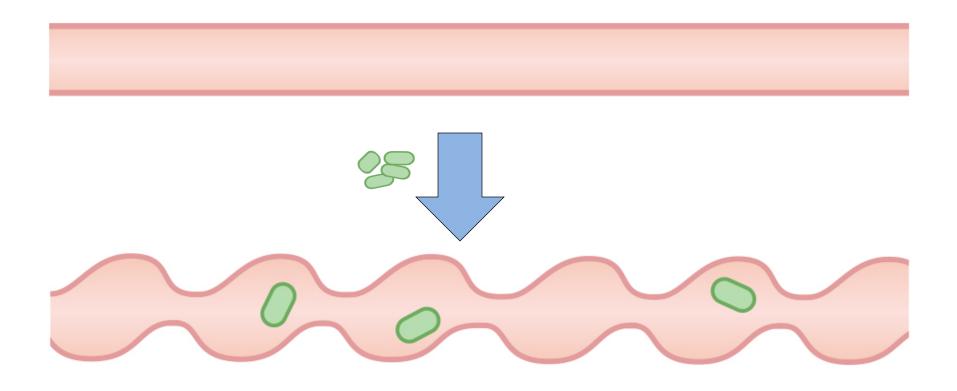
## What causes NEC? Gut motility

### The baby's gut movements stop



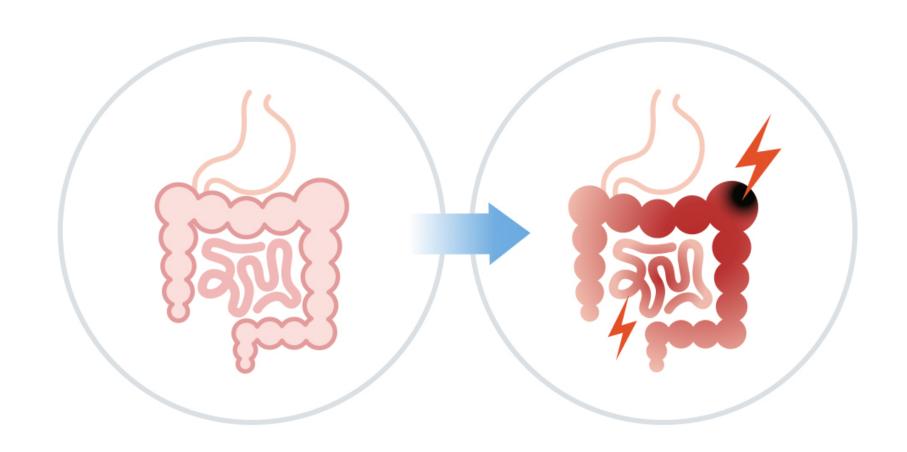
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L. reuteri improves gut motility

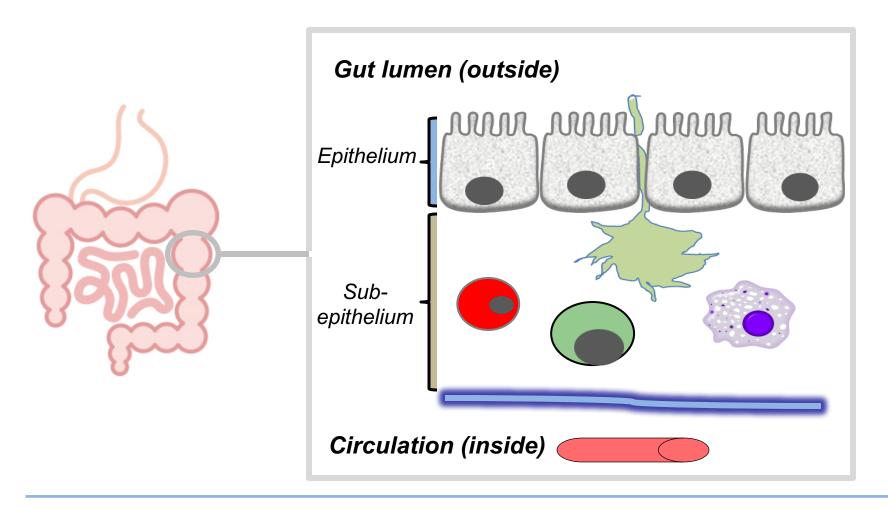


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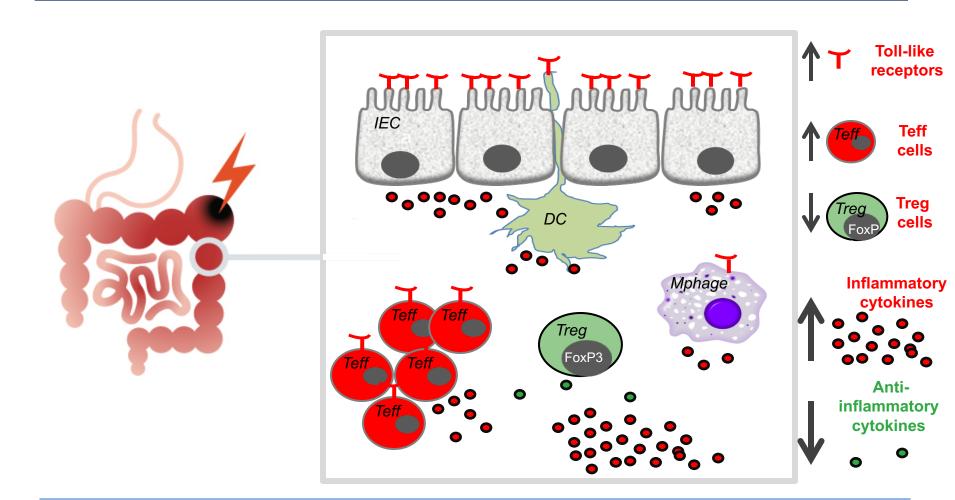
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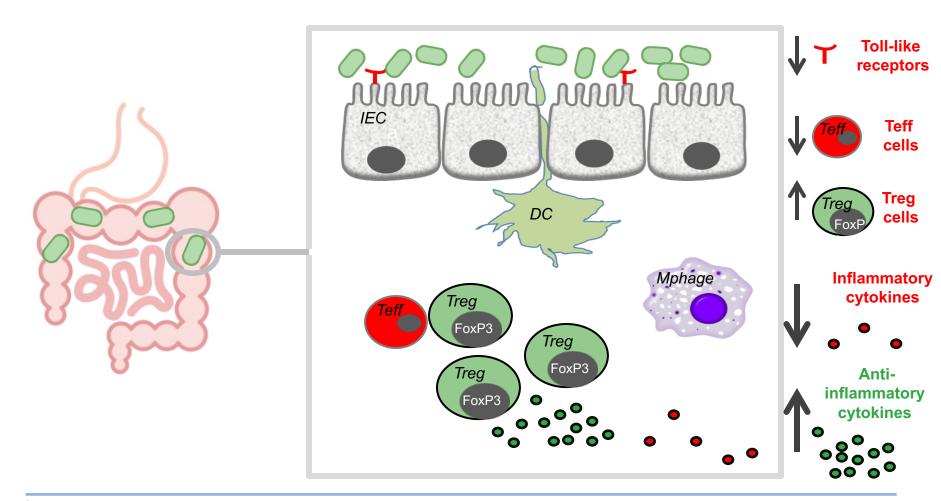
# Normal gut



# What causes NEC? – Inflammation in the gut



# What causes NEC? – Inflammation in the gut



# **Independent clinical studies**

### **Documented signal of Lactobacillus Reuteri in infants**



# Clear clinical signal

### All studies show clinically significant reduction of NEC

Study	Number of patients	Reduction in NEC incidence
Rojas et al. (2012)	■ 750 patients	<ul><li>40% in the total study population with <i>L. reuteri</i></li><li>37% in infants ≤1,500g with <i>L. reuteri</i></li></ul>
Oncel et. al (2014)	400 patients	<ul><li>20% in the total study population with <i>L. reuteri</i></li><li>38% in infants ≤1,000g with <i>L. reuteri</i></li></ul>
Hunter et al. (2012) & Dimaguila et al. (2013)	■ 354 patients	89% in the total study population with L. reuteri
Jerkovic Raguz et al. (2016)	■ 100 patients	■ 50% in the total study population with <i>L. reuteri</i>
Shadkam et al. (2015)	60 patients	82% in the total study population with <i>L. reuteri</i>
Hernandez-Enriquez et al. (2016)	44 patients	92% in the total study population with L. reuteri



## Gastroschisis



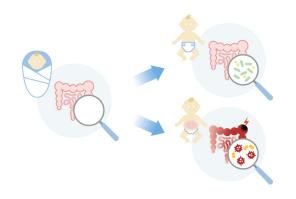
Gastroschisis is a severe birth defect where the baby's intestines are external to the baby's body, through a hole beside the belly button

Afflicts approximately 2,000 late preterm Infants per year in the US, of average gestational age 36 weeks and birth weight 2.4kg

After surgical repair, the main complication is severe impairment of gut motility and there is no safe treatment to promote gut motility in gastroschisis infants

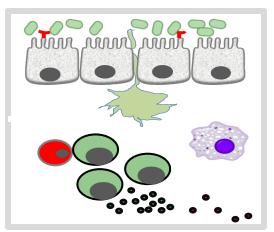
1-5 months in NICU with heavy costs incurred until baby can feed freely. Fed parenterally, with increased risk of liver disease, infection and NEC.

# Treating gastroschisis with IBP-1016



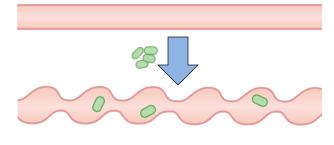


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# Clear signal on improved gut motility

### 5 studies

	Study	Number of patients	Results
Improved gut motility in term and preterm infants	Indrio et al. (2008)	■ 30 patients	<ul> <li>85% increase in gastric emptying rate with <i>L. reuteri</i> (p&lt;0.001)</li> </ul>
	Indrio et al. (2011)	■ 34 infants	■ 39% increase in gastric emptying rate with <i>L. reuteri</i> (p=0.01)
Improved feeding tolerance in preterm infants	Rojas et al. (2012)	■ 750 patients	<ul> <li>34% reduction in episodes of feeding intolerance with interruption of feeding (p=0.08)</li> </ul>
	Oncel, Sari et. al (2014)	400 patients	<ul> <li>29% reduction in episodes of feeding intolerance with interruption of feeding (p=0.015)</li> <li>10% reduction in time to full enteral feeding (p=0.006)</li> </ul>
	Oncel, Arayici et al. (2014)	300 patients	■ 36% reduction in episodes of feeding intolerance with interruption of feeding (p=0.004)

# Gastroschisis – next steps

During the summer of 2017 we have interacted with a Regulatory Agency

IBT is planning for next steps based on agency feedback

### **Clinical Development of IBP-9414 for NEC**

Agneta Heierson PhD, Vice President, Clinical Development

# Study design considerations

### IBP-9414 clinical program

- A live bacterial drug
- Not systemically absorbed from the GI tract
- Local effect in the gut
- Restrictions in blood sampling in the premature baby



No PK or PD studies
No interaction studies

After interactions with regulatory authorities, the clinical program consists of two studies:

- Phase 2 safety and tolerability
- Phase 3 efficacy

# Phase 2 safety & tolerability study \*

#### Careful design

Scientific advice by FDA and EMA

- Double-blind, randomised, placebo controlled
- 2 dose levels
- 2 weight groups

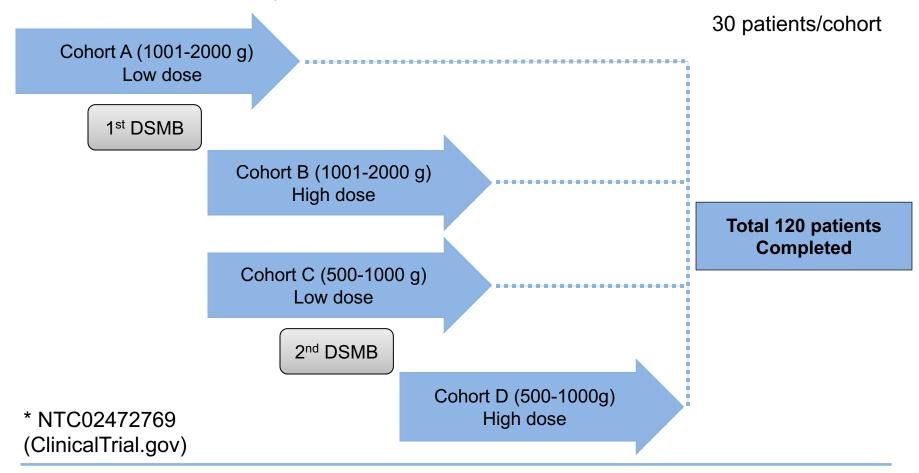
Minimal disturbance to the vulnerable patient group

Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB)

\* NTC02472769 (ClinicalTrial.gov)

# Phase 2 safety & tolerability study\*

### With interim safety evaluations



# Phase 2 safety & tolerability study\*

#### Performed in the USA



#### Neu, Gainesville FL, Pl

Del Moral, Miami FL
White, South Bend IN
Hand, Brooklyn NY
Hudak, Jacksonville FL
Gerstmann, Orem UT
Porcelli, Wake Forest NC
Kona, Little Rock,AR
Hirsch, Philadelphia PA
Kehinde, Philadelphia PA
Guthrie, Jackson TN
Garg, Los Angeles CA
Ashley, Durham NC
Bloom, Wichita KS

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# **Confidence for Phase 3 study**

### With IBT's clinical experience

- Careful selection and identification of suitable sites in the USA, characterized by dedicated and focused study teams
- The smaller babies can be recruited at similar pace as the larger ones
- Parental consent did not restrict recruitment
- The phase 2 study has been delivered according to time line and with no major issues

# Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls (CMC)

Anders Kronström M.Sc., M.B.A., Chief Technical Officer



# **IBP-9414 Drug Product**

- Freeze-dried powder for oral suspension
- Lactobacillus reuteri



- Excipients for ensuring product stability and quality
- Reconstitution with sterile water before use
- Careful consideration of the vulnerable preterm infant

# Why product quality is important

### The Solgar incident

October 2014

November 2014

December 2014

Consequences

 A premature infant given a Solgar product (ABC Dophilus Powder) died from gastrointestinal fungal infection



- Solgar issued a voluntary recall of the product
- Investigators from the CDC identified the infecting fungus (Rhizopus oryzae) in unopened bottles of ABC Dophilus Powder

- FDA/CDC warning letter issued
- Healthcare providers encouraged to submit an Investigational New Drug Application for FDA review
- Pressure to conform to FDA's rigorous standards due to risk of contamination
- Increased awareness of risk amongst healthcare providers

FDA – US Food and Drug Administration CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

# We are serious about product quality

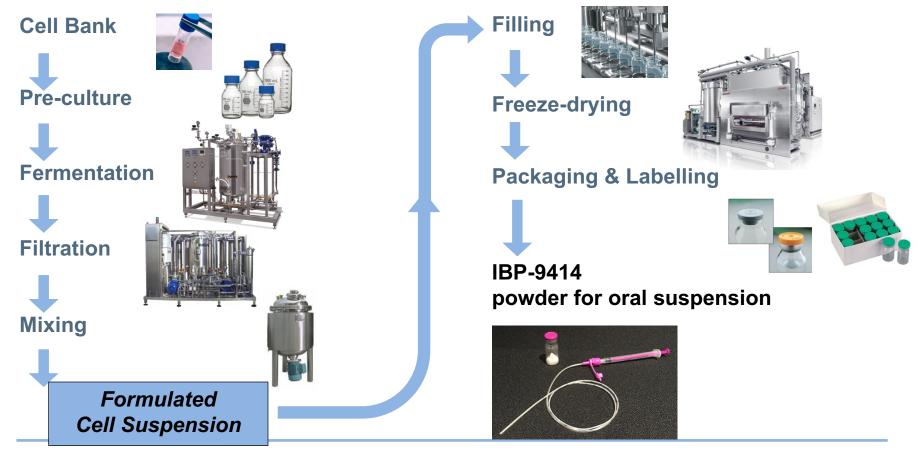
 IBP-9414 is an oral drug with exceptional quality demand due to the vulnerability of the patient population

 IBT is in close dialogue with regulators and healthcare providers to ensure product quality aspects are appropriately addressed

IBT is in the forefront

# **Manufacturing Process of IBP-9414**

### Stringent control of manufacturing environment



## **Conclusions**

- We have successfully developed a live bacterial drug that is suitable for treating preterm infants
- We are confident in our ability to supply the future program with a high quality product
- We have an experienced team of scientists leading the development

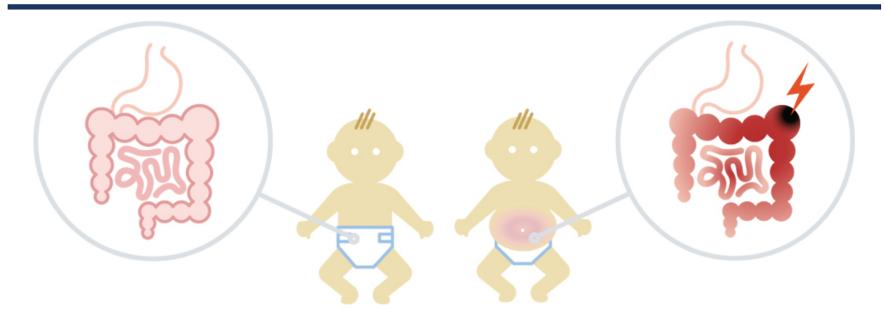
IBT is the pioneer in the new field of live bacterial drugs

### A Globally Valuable Pharmaceutical

Daniel Mackey, Chief Financial Officer



## **Economic burden of NEC**



Major surgery required in 20-40% of NEC cases at cost of 300 kUSD or more

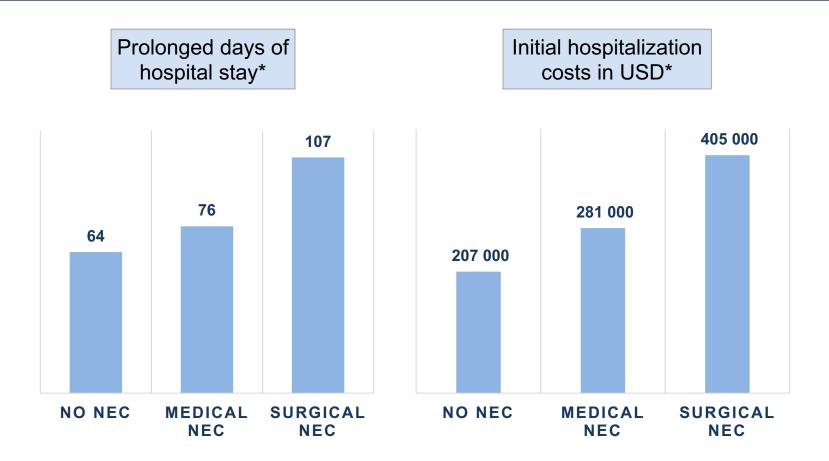
Survivors have long-term consequences: short-bowel syndrome, abnormal growth, cognitive, visual and hearing impairments

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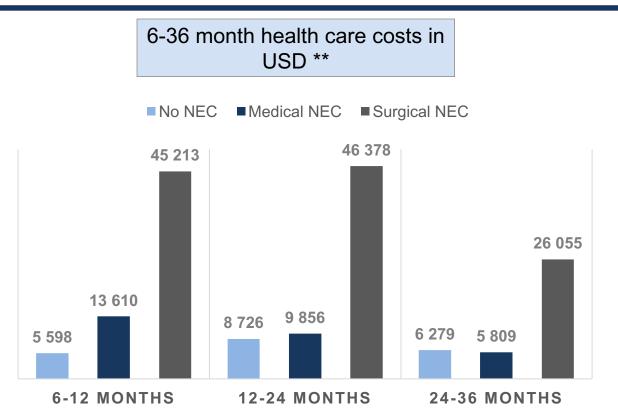
The economic cost of NEC is estimated to be USD 5 Billion for hospitalization in the US\*

\* Sheila M. Gephart et al, 2012

## **Economic burden of NEC**



## **Extended economic burden of NEC**



And long term costs associated with sequelae such as impaired growth, short bowel syndrome, poor long-term neurodevelopment

\*\* Ganapathy et al, 2013

## **IBP-9414 Target Product Profile**

#### For the prevention of necrotizing enterocolitis

Product description	<ul> <li>Pharmaceutical therapy approved as Orphan Drug in EU and US to prevent NEC</li> <li>The first FDA and EMA-approved drug product to prevent NEC</li> </ul>		
Patient population	<ul> <li>Premature infants ≤1,500g (US) ca 56,000</li> <li>Premature infants ≤ 34 weeks gestational age (EU5) ca 108,000</li> </ul>		
Route of Administration	Oral / enteral		
Product efficacy	Demonstrates 33% reduction in the incidence of NEC compared to standard of care alone		
Safety profile	<ul> <li>Well tolerated with no known side effects</li> <li>No increase in risk of sepsis or multi-resistance to antibiotics</li> <li>No known contraindications</li> </ul>		

## Market potential for IBP-9414 assessment

IBT has mandated consultants to assess the market opportunity...



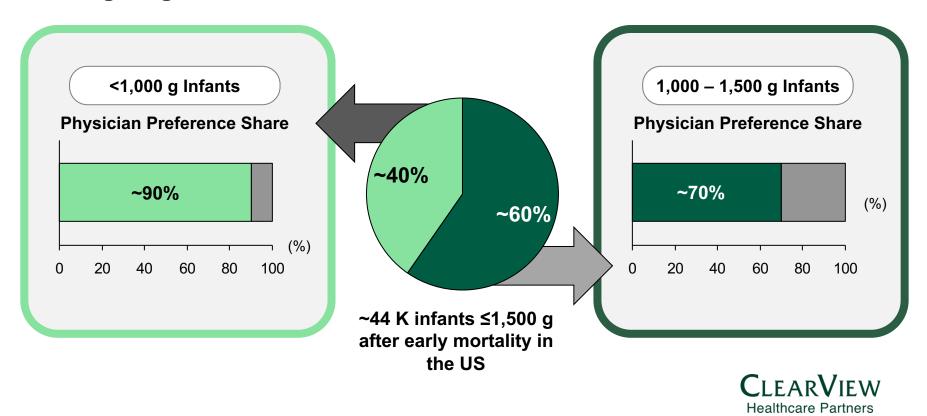
CLEARVIEW
Healthcare Partners

...who have interviewed the relevant key stakeholders across US and Europe...

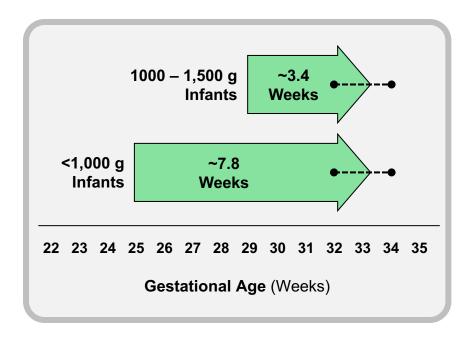
- Including 60 Neonatology Key Opinion Leaders interviews
- 15 Pharmacy and Therapeutics neonatologists and pharmacists (P&T members)
- Payers

#### Neonatologists show high willingness to prescribe IBP-9414

Clearview US market research indicates an overall 78% physician preference share reflecting a high unmet medical need



#### Treatment up to 34 weeks



Physicians expected to halt IBP-9414

•---treatment once infants had reached 32
to 34 weeks postmenstrual age



#### **Expected Formulary Inclusion by Institution Type**

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Institution Type	Major Medical Centers	Medium Hospitals	Small Community Hospitals
Share of Premature Infants	~60%	~30%	~10%
Estimated Formulary Adoption	~85%	~60%	~0%

Overall Formulary Inclusion

Approximately 70% of addressable patients are anticipated to receive care at an institution that includes IBP-9414 on formulary



## Significant market potential for IBP-9414

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...who have strongly engaged and favorably reacted to IBP-9414's targeted profile...

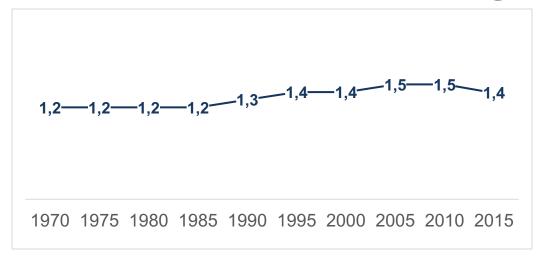
- KOLs recognized NEC as a high unmet need with high mortality rates and lack of any medical preventive treatment
- NEC economic cost is estimated to be USD 5 Billion for hospitalization in the US\*
- Highly positive reaction towards clinically proven safety and efficacy due to safety concerns
- Based on target profile, interviewees would expect IBP-9414 to be included on formulary

...resulting in significant market opportunity

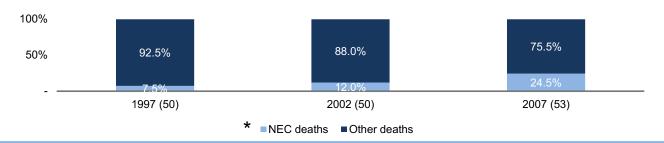
Estimated annual revenue potential of USD 200m – USD 350m in US

## **Urgent medical need**

#### 1,4 % of infants born in the US are under 1500 grams



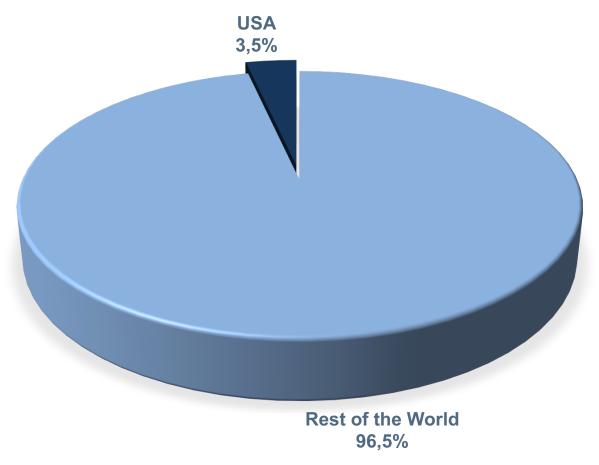
#### NEC treatments have not improved over the years



\*Clark et al, 2012

## Global preterm births

### 15 Million preterm births annually



H. Blencowe et al. 2012

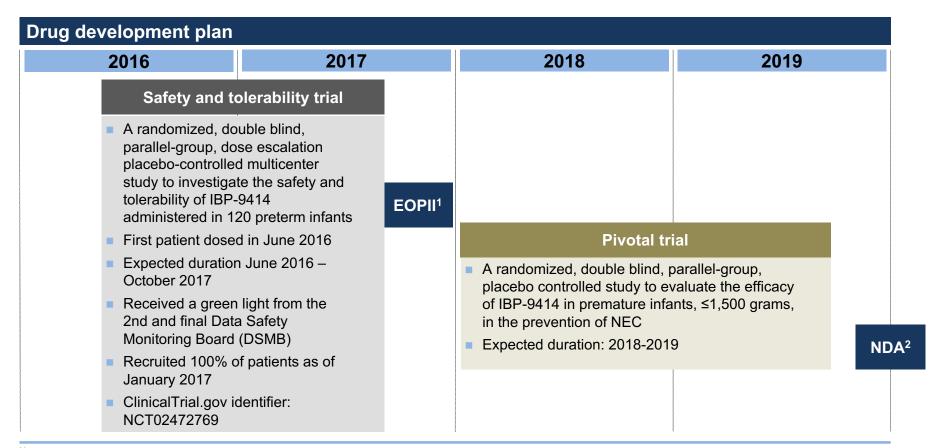
## **Closing Remarks**

Staffan Strömberg PhD, Chief Executive Officer



# IBP-9414 – development plan

#### A development program consisting of two clinical trials



#### Notes

<sup>1</sup> End of Phase II

## **Infant Bacterial Therapeutics**

#### **Summary**

- Pharmaceutical microbiome company focused on areas of unmet medical need
- Experienced team supported by a well established network of Key Opinion Leaders
- Clear clinical signal and safety profile of Lactobacillus Reuteri
- Strong Intellectual Property protection of Lactobacillus Reuteri
- Main project, IBP-9414 for the prevention of NEC, is in Phase 2 in the US and has received:
  - Orphan Drug Designation from the FDA and EU
  - Rare Pediatric Disease designation from the FDA, Priority review voucher may be awarded by the FDA
- Annual revenue potential for IBP-9414 estimated to be USD 200-350m by third-party in the US alone



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