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### FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

### Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): August 13, 2018

### TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-36019 (Commission File Number) 26-1434750 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

509 Madison Avenue, Suite 306, New York, New York 10022 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

#### Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 980-9155

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 13, 2018, Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp. (the "Company") announced its operating results for the quarter ended June 30, 2018. A copy of the press release that discusses this matter is filed as Exhibit 99.01 to, and incorporated by reference in, this report.

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company updated its investor presentations, which are used to conduct meetings with investors, stockholders and analysts and at investor conferences, and which the Company intends to place on its website, which may contain nonpublic information. Copies of the presentations are filed as Exhibit 99.02 and 99.03 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibit No.	Description.
9	<u>99.01</u> 99.02 99.03	Press Release dated August 13, 2018, issued by the Company Corporate Presentation by the Company for August 2018 (Long Form) Corporate Presentation by the Company for August 2018 (Short Form)

### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

### TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP.

Date: August 13, 2018

By: /s/ Bradley Saenger Bradley Saenger Chief Financial Officer

### Tonix Pharmaceuticals Reports Second Quarter 2018 Financial Results and Operational Highlights

HONOR Study Results to be Included in Poster Presentation at a Scientific Conference in August 2018

FDA Meeting in October 2018 Confirmed to Discuss New Phase 3 Study for Tonmya® in PTSD

#### New Phase 3 Study for Tonmya May Initiate as Early as 2019

NEW YORK, August 13, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp. (Nasdaq: TNXP) (Tonix), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing pharmaceutical products to treat serious neuropsychiatric conditions and biological products to improve biodefense, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, and an overview of recent operational highlights.

"In developing Tonmya for PTSD we have learned a tremendous amount about the condition and how to design and conduct trials for PTSD patients, especially those with military-related PTSD. PTSD is serious psychiatric disorder and we remain committed to developing a treatment option that may help alleviate symptoms of the condition," said Seth Lederman, M.D., President and Chief Executive Officer. "We look forward to presenting results from the HONOR study at a scientific conference in August and meeting with the FDA in October to discuss the new Phase 3 study of Tonmya for the treatment of PTSD."

#### **Recent Program Highlights**

- In July, Tonix completed a planned, unblinded interim analysis of 274 randomized participants (50% of planned) for the Phase 3 HONOR study of Tonmya in military-related posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Based on a pre-specified study continuation threshold at Week 12, the study was discontinued due to inadequate separation from placebo at this time point as measured by the primary endpoint, the Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5 (CAPS-5). Meaningful improvement in overall PTSD symptoms was observed at Week 4. At Week 4, the Tonmya treated group separated from placebo in CAPS-5 (p = 0.019) and in the Clinical Global Impression Improvement (CGI-I) scale (p = 0.015), a key secondary endpoint. Also, at Week 4, sleep quality improved as measured by both the PROMIS sleep disturbance scale and the CAPS-5 sleep disturbance item, supporting the proposed mechanism of action of Tonmya.
- TNX-102 SL, as a bedtime treatment for agitation in Alzheimer's disease, received Investigational New Drug (IND) clearance in May 2018. Fast Track designation was granted by the FDA in July. Fast track is a process designed to facilitate the development and expedite the review of drugs to treat serious conditions and fill an unmet medical need. It reflects the recognition by the FDA that TNX-102 SL has the potential to address a large unmet medical need for a serious condition. A Phase 2, potential pivotal, efficacy study protocol submitted in July 2018 is pending FDA review and acceptance.
- New data related to suicidal ideation and behaviors in military-related PTSD from the Phase 2 AtEase study was presented at the American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology in May 2018.

• Preliminary results from the successfully completed pivotal Phase 1 multiple-dose bridging pharmacokinetic study of Tonmya, or TNX-102 SL were reported. These results support the applicability of the abbreviated 505(b)(2) regulatory pathway for a New Drug Application approval for TNX-102 SL using AMRIX®# as the reference product.

\*Tonmya has been conditionally accepted by the FDA as the proposed trade name for TNX-102 SL (cyclobenzaprine HCl sublingual tablets) for PTSD which has been designated as a Breakthrough Therapy in December 2016. TNX-102 SL is an investigational new drug and has not been approved for any indication.

# AMRIX (cyclobenzaprine HCl extended-release capsules) is indicated for 2-3 weeks use as an adjunct to rest and physical therapy for relief of muscle spasm associated with acute, painful musculoskeletal conditions. The recommended adult dose for most patients is one AMRIX 15 mg capsule taken once daily. Some patients may require up to 30 mg/day, given as one AMRIX 30 mg capsule taken once daily or as two (2) AMRIX 15 mg capsules taken once daily.

### Second Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Research and development expenses for the second quarter of 2018 totaled \$4.1 million, compared to \$2.8 million for the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to clinical development work associated with the PTSD program.

General and administrative expenses for the second quarter of 2018 were \$2.1 million, compared to \$2.0 million for the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to an increase in professional services fees, partially offset by a decrease in compensation-related expenses as a result of fewer personnel.

Net loss was \$6.1 million, or \$0.73 per share, for the second quarter of 2018, compared to net loss of \$4.8 million, or \$0.65 per share, for the second quarter of 2017. The greater net loss was primarily due to higher research and development expenses.

At June 30, 2018, Tonix had \$16.7 million of cash and cash equivalents, compared to \$25.5 million as of December 31, 2017. Cash used in operations was \$5.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018, compared to \$4.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2017. Research and development expenses are expected to decrease following the orderly closing of the HONOR study, in the near term.

### About Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

Tonix is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering and developing pharmaceutical products to treat serious neuropsychiatric conditions and biological products to improve biodefense through potential medical counter-measures. Tonix is developing Tonmya, which has been granted Breakthrough Therapy designation, as a bedtime treatment for PTSD. Tonix is also developing TNX-102 SL as a bedtime treatment for agitation in Alzheimer's disease under a separate IND to support a Phase 2, potential pivotal, efficacy study and has been granted Fast Track designation by the FDA for this indication. TNX-601 (tianeptine oxalate) is in the pre-IND application stage, also for the treatment of PTSD but by a unique mechanism and designed for daytime dosing. Tonix's lead biologic candidate, TNX-801, is a potential smallpox-preventing vaccine based on a live synthetic version of horsepox virus, currently in the pre-IND application stage.

This press release and further information about Tonix can be found at www.tonixpharma.com.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "anticipate," "believe," "forecast," "estimate," "expect," and "intend," among others. These forward-looking statements are based on Tonix's current expectations and actual results could differ materially. There are a number of factors that could cause actual events to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, risks related to failure to obtain FDA clearances or approvals and noncompliance with FDA regulations; our need for additional financing; uncertainties of patent protection and litigation; uncertainties of government or third party payor reimbursement; limited research and development efforts and dependence upon third parties; and substantial competition. As with any pharmaceutical under development, there are significant risks in the development, regulatory approval and commercialization of new products. Tonix does not undertake an obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement. Investors should read the risk factors set forth in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 9, 2018, and periodic reports filed with the SEC on or after the date thereof. All of Tonix's forward-looking statements are expressly qualified by all such risk factors and other cautionary statements. The information set forth herein speaks only as of the date thereof.

### TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except share and per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,				
	 2018		2017		2018		2017
Costs and expenses							
Research and development	\$ 4,067	\$	2,806	\$	9,237	\$	5,800
General and administrative	2,076		2,016		3,894		4,113
Total costs and expenses	6,143		4,822		13,131		9,913

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### TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands) (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017(1)
Assets		
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities	\$16,679	\$25,496
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,480	947
Total current assets	18,159	26,443
Other non-current assets	196	311
Total assets	\$18,355	\$26,754
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Total liabilities	\$ 2,513	\$ 2,138
Stockholders' equity	15,842	24,616
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(1) The condensed consolidated balance sheet for the year ended December 31, 2017 has been derived from the audited financial statements but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements.

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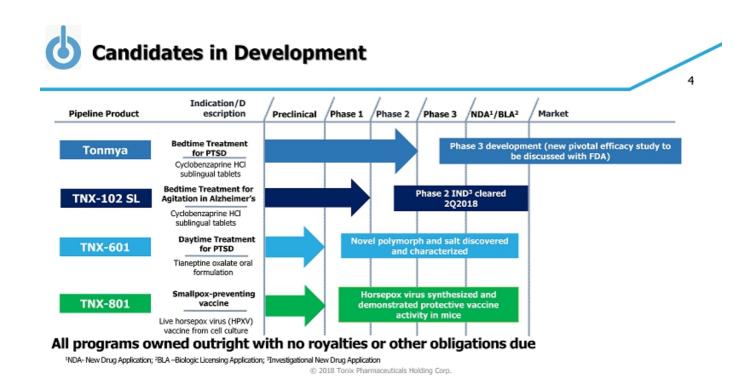
# **Tonix Pharmaceuticals**

### Who we are:

 A clinical stage pharmaceutical company dedicated to developing innovative treatments for patients and making meaningful contributions to society 3

### What we do:

- Target therapeutics with high need for improvement
  - Conditions with no or ineffective treatments
  - Significant patient segments not well served by existing therapies
- · Develop innovative treatment options with possibility to be a "game changer"
  - Scientifically unique and innovative
  - Supported by strong scientific rationale
  - Confirmed by clinical evidence and published literature
  - Utilize proven regulatory pathway and established clinical endpoint
  - Built on a foundation of proprietary intellectual property





### Sleep disturbances are associated with a constellation of disorders

- · Considered co-morbid or a key symptom in these disorders
- · Believed to have a role in the onset, progression and severity of these disorders

### The focus of TNX-102 SL development is both unique and innovative

- Testing the therapeutic benefit of sleep ('sleep quality')
   Restorative sleep...in contrast to time spent sleeping ('sleep quantity')
- · Targeting clinical conditions for which improved sleep quality may have a therapeutic benefit
  - Reduction in disease-specific symptoms, with sleep improvement as a secondary endpoint







# **Tonmya for PTSD**



### Breakthrough Therapy (BT) designation from the FDA

Expedited development and accelerated approval are expected

### One Phase 2 study completed and one Phase 3 study stopped early due to inadequate separation from placebo

- · Both studies were accepted by the FDA as potential pivotal efficacy studies in military-related PTSD if successful
- No safety or tolerability concern
- · Phase 2 study formed the basis of BT designation
- · Phase 3 study provided evidence of effectiveness as early as 4 weeks after treatment but diminished over time due to high placebo response

### Expecting FDA feedback and agreement on second Phase 3 trial in 4Q2018

Potential NDA<sup>1</sup> approval can be based on one Phase 3 study

### Patent protection through 2034 in U.S.<sup>2</sup>

Composition of matter patent for transmucosal delivery of cyclobenzaprine

### Novel mechanism targets sleep quality

Memory processing during sleep is important to recovery

 $^1$  NDA = New Drug Application  $^2$  U.S. Patent No. 9,636,408 for extectic proprietary Protectic\*\* formulation



### FDA granted Tonmya Breakthrough Therapy designation – reported December 19, 2016

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- PTSD is a serious condition
- · Tonmya has potential advantages over existing therapies in military-related PTSD

### Benefits of Breakthrough Therapy designation

- · Eligibility for priority review of the NDA within 6 months instead of 10-12 months
- Option to submit completed portions of the NDA for rolling review
- An organizational commitment involving FDA's senior managers to accelerate the development and approval process, an opportunity to compress development time

### NDA filing based on HONOR study is possible if results are statistically persuasive

· Discussed at March 9, 2017 Initial Cross-disciplinary Breakthrough Meeting with the FDA



# Active ingredient is cyclobenzaprine, which is structurally related to tricyclic antidepressants

- Cyclobenzaprine interacts with receptors that regulate sleep quality: 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>;  $\alpha_1$ -adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors
- Cyclobenzaprine does <u>NOT</u> interact with the same receptors as traditional hypnotic sleep drugs, benzodiazepines or non-benzodiazepines that are associated with retrograde amnesia
- Cyclobenzaprine-containing product was approved 40 years ago and current labeling (May 2016) indicates no abuse or dependence concern

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### TNX-102 SL Intellectual Property – U.S. Protection until 2034

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### Composition of matter (eutectic) : Protection expected to 2034

- United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) issued U.S. Patent No. 9,636,408 in May 2017 and U.S. Patent No. 9,956,188 in May 2018
- · Japanese Patent Office (JPO) issued Japanese Patent No. 6310542 in March 2018
- · New Zealand Intellectual Property Office (NZIPO) issued New Zealand Patent No. 631152 in May 2017
- · 37 patent applications pending (2 allowed (US and South Africa))

### Pharmacokinetics (PK) : Protection expected to 2033

- JPO issued Japanese Patent No. 6259452 in December 2017
- NZIPO issued New Zealand Patent No. 631144 in March 2017
- Taiwanese Intellectual Property Office issued Taiwanese Patent No. I590820 in July 2017
- 21 patent applications pending (1 allowed (Australia))

### Method of use for active ingredient cyclobenzaprine : Protection expected to 2030

- European Patent Office issued European Patent No. 2 501 234B1 in September 2017 (validated in 38 countries). Opposition filed in June 2018
- USPTO issued U.S. Patent 9,918,948 in March 2018
- 2 patent applications pending



## TNX-102 SL: Sublingual Formulation is Designed for Bedtime Administration

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# TNX-102 SL: Proprietary sublingual formulation of cyclobenzaprine (CBP) with transmucosal absorption

- Innovation by design with patent protected CBP/mannitol eutectic
- · Rapid systemic exposure
- · Increases bioavailability during sleep
- · Avoids first-pass metabolism
- · Lowers exposure to long-lived active major metabolite, norcyclobenzaprine (norCBP)

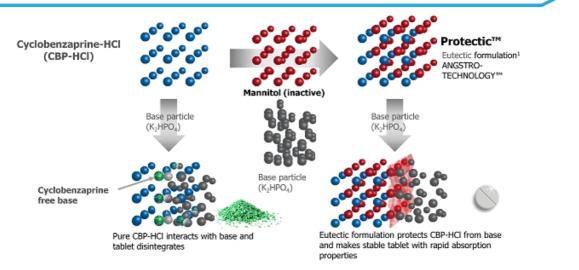
### CBP undergoes extensive first-pass hepatic metabolism when orally ingested

- Active major metabolite, norCBP<sup>1</sup>
  - Long half-life (~72 hours)
  - Less selective for target receptors (5-HT<sub>2A</sub>, α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic, histamine H<sub>1</sub>)
  - · More selective for norepinephrine transporter

<sup>1</sup> Daugherty et al., Abstract 728, Society of Biological Psychiatry 70th Annual Scientific Convention, May 14-16, 2015, Toronto Ontario, Canada



## Proprietary Cyclobenzaprine Hydrochloride Eutectic Mixture Stabilizes Sublingual Tablet Formulation



<sup>1</sup>U.S. Patent issued May 2, 2017

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## Tonmya: Novel Mechanism Targets Sleep Quality for Recovery from PTSD

### PTSD is a disorder of recovery

- · Most people exposed to extreme trauma recover over a few weeks
- · In PTSD, recovery process impeded due to insufficient sleep-dependent memory processing

### Memory processing is essential to recovery

 Vulnerability to memory intrusions and trauma triggers remains if no consolidation of new learning (extinction)

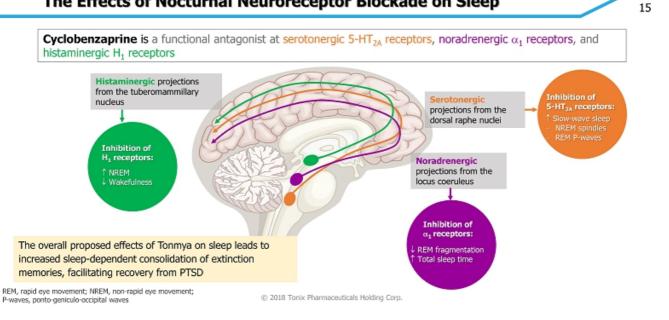
### Tonmya targets sleep quality<sup>1</sup>

 The active ingredient in Tonmya, cyclobenzaprine, interacts with receptors that regulate sleep quality: strongly binds and potently blocks 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>, α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors, permissive to sleep-dependent recovery processes

<sup>1</sup> Daugherty et al., Abstract 728, Society of Biological Psychiatry 70th Annual Scientific Convention, May 14-16, 2015, Toronto Ontario, Canada

# Proposed Mechanism of Action of Tonmya in the **Treatment of PTSD:**

The Effects of Nocturnal Neuroreceptor Blockade on Sleep



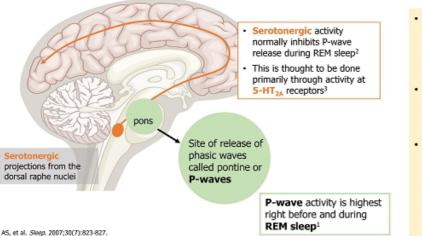


### Proposed Mechanism of Action of Tonmya in the **Treatment of PTSD:** Focus on Nocturnal 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> Receptor Blockade in REM

- Generally, serotonin (5-HT) activity promotes the awake state and inhibits REM sleep; whereas once in REM sleep, the 5-HT system is normally quiescent
- · Extinction learning is critical to recovery from trauma, and such new learning is consolidated (moving from labile short term to established long term memory) during particular stages of sleep1,2
- Recent rodent research shows how particular brain wave patterns during REM sleep, known as "Pwaves" are critical to extinction consolidation3
- 5-HT activation of pontine brainstem region richly expressing 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> receptors inhibits P-wave generation during REM<sup>4</sup>
- Nocturnal blockage of 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> receptors may restore extinction consolidation by inhibition of errant 5-HT stimulation during REM (see model in next 2 slides)
- Pace-Schott, et al. Biology of Nood & Anniety Disorders. 2015;5(3):1-19.
   Straus et al. Biol Psych: CNNI. 2017;2(2):123-129.
   Datta S, et al. J Neurosci. 2013;33(10):4561-4569.
   Datta S, et al. Skepp. 2003;26(5):513-520.



### Fear Extinction Memory Consolidation: The Proposed Role of P-Waves, REM Sleep, and Serotonergic **Neuroreceptor Activity**



- LUM AS, et al. Slear. 2007;30(7):823-827.
   Datta 5, et al. Slear. 2003;26(5):513-520.
   Tamas K, Gyorgy B. Effect of 5-HT2A/2B/2C receptor agonists and antagonists on sleep and waking in laboratory animals and humans. In:
   Monti JM, Pandi-Perumal SR, Jacobs BL, Nutt DJ, eds. Serotonin and sleep: Molecular, functional, and clinical aspects. Basel, Switzerland:
   Minimum Street 1009 Birkhäuser Basel; 2008. 4. Datta 5, et al. *J Neurosci* 2013;33(10):4561-4569. © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

 Increased P-wave activity during REM sleep is critical for fear extinction memory consolidation in rats<sup>4</sup>

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- By blocking 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> receptors, cyclobenzaprine may sustain P-wave activity during REM sleep
- · This blockade may lead to better quality of REM sleep with increased fear extinction consolidation in individuals with PTSD, facilitating recovery

P-waves, ponto-geniculo-occipital waves; REM, rapid eye movement



## **Overview of PTSD**

### PSTD is a chronic disabling disorder in response to experiencing traumatic event(s)

### Symptoms of PTSD fall into four clusters:

- 1. Intrusion (aversive memories, nightmares, flashbacks)
- 2. Avoidance (avoiding persons, places or situations)
- 3. Mood/cognitions (memory block, emotional numbing, detachment from others)
- 4. Hyperarousal (anxiety, agitation & sleep disturbance)

### Diagnosis, symptom severity, as well as treatment effect, is determined by CAPS-5\*

- Recognized as the standard for rating PTSD severity in clinical trials
- · Takes into account all four symptom clusters
- Higher Total CAPS-5 score reflects more severe PTSD symptoms

\* Clinician-administered PTSD scale for Diagnostic Statistical Manual version 5 (DSM-5)

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# **Impact of PTSD on People**

### Consequences:

- · Impaired daily function and substantial interference with work and social interactions
- Reckless or destructive behavior
- · Increased health care utilization and greater medical morbidity

### PTSD as a risk factor for:

- Depression
- Alcohol or substance abuse
- Absenteeism/unemployment
- Homelessness
- Violent acts
- · Suicidal thoughts and suicide



## **PTSD: U.S. Prevalence and Index Traumas**

### PTSD is a chronic response to traumatic event(s)

- A majority of people will experience a traumatic event at some point in their lifetime<sup>1</sup>
  - 20% of women and 8% of men in the U.S. who experience significant trauma develop PTSD<sup>1</sup>

### Adult Civilians:

- Lifetime prevalence: 6.1% (14.4 million adults in the U.S.)<sup>2</sup>
  - Persistent >1/3 fail to recover, even after several years following the trauma<sup>2</sup>
- Twelve month prevalence: U.S. 4.7% (11 million adults)2

EU 2.3% (~10.0 million adults)3

### Most common forms of trauma<sup>1</sup>

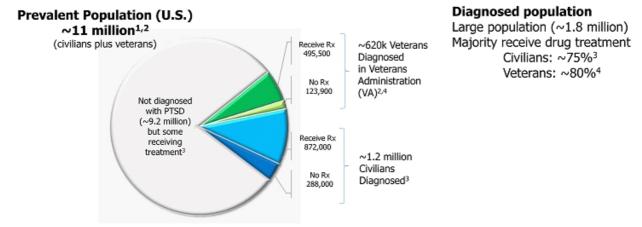
- · Witnessing someone being badly injured or killed
- Natural disaster
- · Life-threatening accident
- · Sexual or physical assault

#### <sup>1</sup> Kessler et al., Arch Gen Psychiatry 1995; 52:1048 <sup>2</sup> Goldstein et al., 2016

<sup>3</sup> The European Union Market Potential for a New PTSD Drug. Prepared for Tonix Pharmaceuticals by Procela Consultants Ltd, September 2016







Goldstein et al., 2016 (civilians)
 Veterans: VA/DOD Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Managements of PTSD and Acute Stress Disorder, 2017, page 15 (619,493 vets diagnosed with PTSD in VA for 2016)
 IMS Consulting, Market Sizing & Treatment Dynamics: Past-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Patients", 2016
 Bernardy et al., 2012 (80% of veterans diagnosed with PTSD had at least one medication from the Clinical Practice Guidelines)



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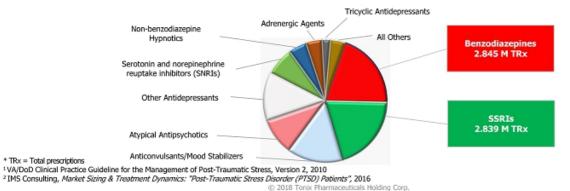
### Market highly fragmented, with benzodiazepines widely prescribed (but not indicated)<sup>1</sup>

- Multiple medications per patient (or "Polypharmacy") is the norm Approximately 55% of patients receive a benzodiazepine, and 53% receive a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor ٠
  - (SSRI)

\* TRx = Total prescriptions

SSRIs are the only FDA-approved drug class

### Estimated PTSD Market Volume (Civilian Population Only) ~14.1 million TRx\*2





# FDA-approved SSRIs, paroxetine and sertraline, are indicated as a treatment for PTSD

- · Neither drug has shown efficacy in military-related PTSD
- Majority of patients unresponsive or intolerant to current treatments
- Side effects relating to sexual dysfunction (particularly in males), sleep and weight gain are commonly reported

# Characteristics of an ideal drug therapy that would be compatible and complementary with behavioral therapy

- · Lack of retrograde amnesia (e.g., unlike off-label use of benzodiazepines and non-benzodiazepines)
- · Lack of interference on sleep (e.g., unlike approved SSRIs)

### Tonmya is being developed as a "treatment for PTSD"

· FDA does not distinguish between military and civilian PTSD





### Military-related PTSD not well-served by existing FDA-approved therapies

	No clear treatment response observed in U.S. military population
	Sertraline: failed to show efficacy in a large multicenter trial in U.S. military (placebo numerically better) <sup>1</sup> Paroxetine: no large trials conducted with predominantly military trauma
	Inconsistent treatment response observed in males
	Sertraline: FDA-conducted post-hoc analysis concluded no effect for male civilian subgroup <sup>2</sup> Paroxetine: no sex-related difference in treatment outcomes <sup>3</sup>
•	Important tolerability issues with SSRIs in this population
	Sexual dysfunction <sup>2,3</sup> Insomnia <sup>2,3</sup> SSRI withdrawal syndrome <sup>4</sup>
<ol> <li><sup>1</sup> Friedman et al., J Clin I</li> <li><sup>2</sup> Zoloft Package Insert, J</li> <li><sup>3</sup> Paxil Package Insert, Ju</li> <li><sup>4</sup> Fava et al., Psychother</li> </ol>	August, 2014

# High Prevalence of PTSD Among Combat Veterans

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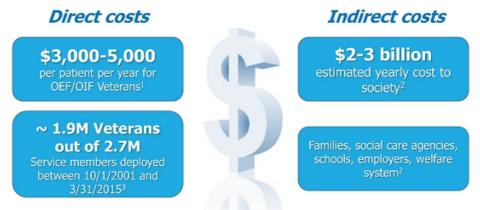
<sup>1</sup>Goldstein et al., 2016; <sup>1</sup>Norris, PTSD Res Quar. 2013; <sup>1</sup>Analysis of VA Health Care Utilization among Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn Veterans, from Ist Qtr FY 2002 through 2nd Qtr FY 2015, Washington, DC; Among 1.9M separated OEF/OIF/OND veterans, 1.2M have obtained VA healthcare; 685k evaluated by VA with possible mental disorder, and 379k diagnosed with PTSD; <sup>4</sup> Goldstein et al., 2016; <sup>5</sup> Veterans: VA/DOD Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Managements of PTSD and Acute Stress Disorder, 2017, page 15



## Growing Economic and Social Burden to Care for Veterans with PTSD



Health care costs associated with PTSD for OEF/OIF/OND veterans:



<sup>1</sup> CBO Report 2012; <sup>2</sup> Tanielan, Invisible Wounds of War. 2005; <sup>3</sup> Analysis of VA Health Care Utilization among Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn Veterans, from 1st Qtr FY 2002 through 2nd Qbr FY 2015, Washington, DC; OEF/OIF/OND, Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



## HONOR Study – Evidence of Efficacy at Week 4

### **Discontinued Due to High Placebo Response at Week 12**



### General study characteristics:

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, adaptive design, planned 550 military-related PTSD participants with baseline CAPS- $5^1 \ge 33$  in approximately 40 U.S. sites

Tonmya once-daily at I 5.6 mg (2 x 2.8 mg tablets)	b <b>edtime</b> <i>n=125*</i>				
Placebo once-daily at bedtime					
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### Primary endpoint CAPS-51:

Mean change from baseline at week 12 (Tonmya 5.6 mg vs. placebo)

Unblinded interim analysis (IA) at ~50% randomized participants (N=274/252\*)

- Study stopped based on a pre-specified study continuation threshold at week 12
- Participants discontinued in HONOR or 12-week open-label extension (OLE) studies can be rolled over to the 40-week OLE study

······ 12-week and/or 40-week open-label extension studies

<sup>1</sup>CAPS-5 = Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5 <sup>2</sup>IDMC=Independent Data Monitoring Committee \* Modified intent-to-treat



### HONOR was a large adequate well-controlled study in military-related PTSD

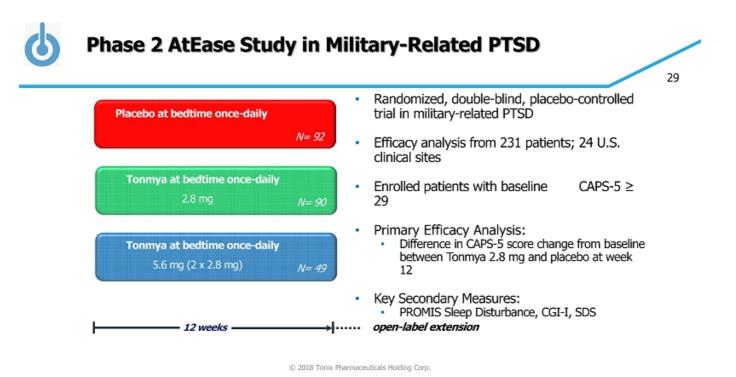
- Separation on primary endpoint at Week 12 did not cross pre-specified study continuation threshold at Week 12
- · No safety or tolerability issue discovered
- Retrospective analyses showed Week 4 CAPS-5 (P=0.019) and CGI-I (P=0.015) scores in Tonmya group had a strong signal of treatment effect

### HONOR dataset is complex and rich

- · Serves to improve the next study design and increase the chance of success
- · Additional retrospective analyses will be presented at an upcoming scientific meeting

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## Tonmya 5.6 mg showed clinical benefit in military-related PTSD

- CAPS-5 scale, was statistically significant by Mixed-effect Model Repeated Measures, or MMRM, with Multiple Imputation, or MI, analysis (p-value = 0.031)
- Dose-effect on multiple efficacy and safety measurements

## Well tolerated

- · No serious adverse events (AE) related to treatment
- The most common AEs were local site-administration reactions, including mild and transient tongue numbness

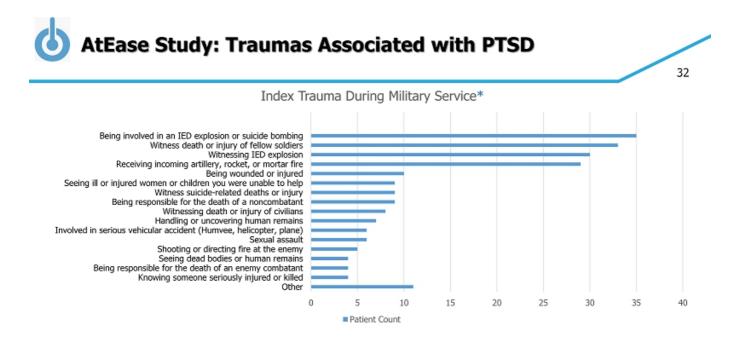
# **O** AtEase Study Demographics and Characteristics

93% of the randomized patients were male 98% had trauma during military service Deployed an average of 2.3 times Mean time since index trauma was 7 years Race and ethnicity generally consistent with U.S. military distribution Similar baseline CAPS-5 scores and MADRS<sup>1</sup> scores across treatment arms Current Major Depressive Disorder 14% by MINI 7.0<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> MADRS, Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale
<sup>2</sup> MINI 7.0, Mini-International Neuropsychiatric Interview, Version 7

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\*Some patients experienced more than one trauma

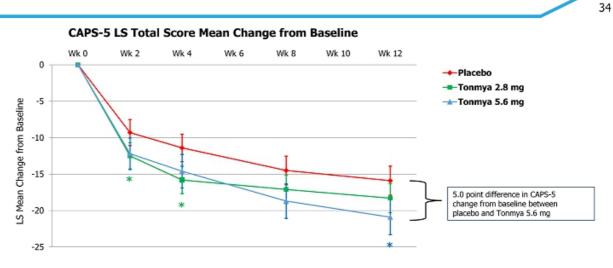


# AtEase Study – Summary of Primary and Secondary Analyses (Week 12)

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Assessment	Domain	Analysis	p-Values	
			2.8 mg (N=90)	5.6 mg (N=49)
CAPS-5	Total	MMRM (Primary Analysis)	0.259^	0.053
	Total	MMRM with Multiple Imputation	0.211	0.031*
	Total	MMRM w/ Hybrid LOCF/BOCF	0.172	0.037*
	Total	ANCOVA	0.090	0.038*
CAPS-5 clusters/items	Arousal & Reactivity cluster (E)	MMRM	0.141	0.048*
	Sleep item (E6)	MMRM	0.185	0.010*
	Exaggerated Startle item (E4)	MMRM	0.336	0.015*
CGI-I	Responders	Logistic Regression	0.240	0.041*
PGIC	Mean score	MMRM	0.075	0.035*
Sheehan Disability Scale	Work/school item	MMRM	0.123	0.050*
	Social/leisure item	MMRM	0.198	0.031*
MMRM, mixed model repeated	ried forward; CGI-I, Clinical Global measures; PGIC, Patient Global Imp significant comparing Tonmya 2.8 m		CF, last observation ca	arried forward;

# AtEase Study Results: Primary Endpoint CAPS-5 Total Score by MMRM with MI#



\*Primary analysis MMRM (mixed-effect model repeated measures), \*p=0.031, comparing placebo and Tonmya 5.6 mg, \*p<0.05, comparing placebo and Tonmya 2.8 mg, by MMRM with MI; CAPS-5, Clinician Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5; LS Mean, least squares mean



# **AtEase Study: Safety and Tolerability Profile**

Systemic Adverse Events*	Placebo (N=94)	Tonmya 2.8 mg (N=93)	Tonmya 5.6 mg (N=50)
Somnolence	6.4%	11.8%	16.0%
Dry Mouth	10.6%	4.3%	16.0%
Headache	4.3%	5.4%	12.0%
Insomnia	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%
Sedation	1.1%	2.2%	12.0%
Administration Site Reactions*	1		
Hypoaesthesia oral	2.1%	38.7%	36.0%
Paraesthesia	3.2%	16.1%	4.0%
Glossodynia	1.1%	3.2%	6.0%

#### No serious adverse events reported with Tonmya deemed related to treatment

Trial completion rates: 73% placebo; 79% Tonmya 2.8 mg; 84% Tonmya 5.6 mg

\*at rates of >5% in either drug-treated arm, Safety population N=237 © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

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# Score of ≥29 on CAPS-5 (20 items for severity score) required at screening and baseline

- >50 on prior versions of CAPS (17 items) typical in previous drug registration trials
- Extrapolation from prior versions of CAPS: ((50/17 items)/2) x 20 items = 29.4

#### Post-hoc analysis to impute CAPS for DSM-IV (iCAPS-IV) scores for each subject

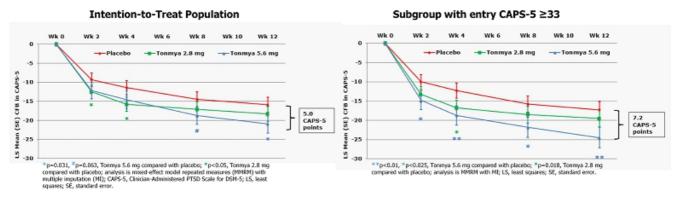
- Baseline iCAPS-IV score calculated by summing 17 items in common with CAPS-5 and multiplying by two (for 0-8 intensity + frequency rather than 0-4)
- 4.3% of the sample had baseline iCAPS-IV of ≤ 50
- Choosing CAPS-5 ≥33 results in all iCAPS-IV > 50
- 80% of mITT had baseline CAPS-5 of ≥ 33

#### Primary analysis of AtEase was run for subgroup with baseline CAPS-5 ≥ 33





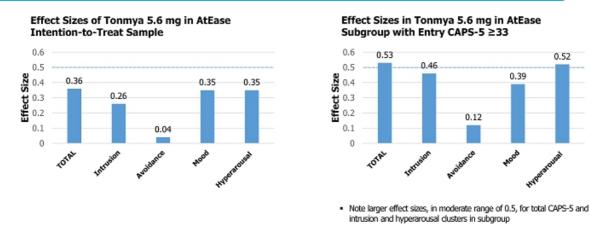
#### CAPS-5 LS Total Score Mean Change from Baseline (CFB)



#### A baseline CAPS-5 score ≥33 was set as the PTSD severity inclusion criterion in Phase 3 HONOR study





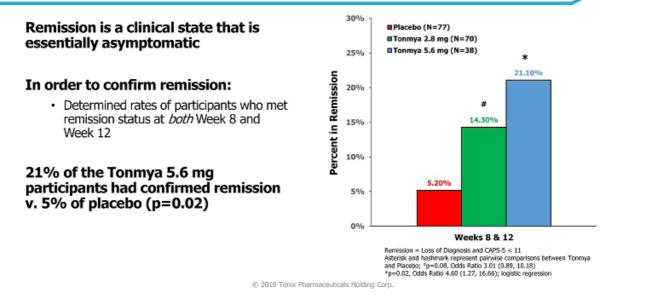


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# AtEase Study Retrospective Analysis: Remission in Subgroup with Entry CAPS-5 ≥33









Tonix is exploring a variety of options to commercialize TNX-102 SL, including commercializing on our own or partnering all or some indications in specific regions of the world.

Tonix has participated in numerous partnering meetings.

#### **Commercial Considerations:**

- Primary physician audience is well defined: psychiatrists (~30,000 in U.S.)
   Small specialty sales force sufficient for coverage
- Primary market research with psychiatrists indicate strong interest in new therapeutic options



# TNX-102 SL – Multi-Functional Mechanism Involves Antagonism at 3 Neuronal Receptors



### Active ingredient, cyclobenzaprine, interacts with 3 receptors

- Antagonist at 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> receptors
  - · Similar activity to trazodone and Nuplazid® (pimivanserin)
- Antagonist at α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic receptor
  - Similar activity to prazosin
- Antagonist at histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors
  - Similar activity to Benadryl<sup>®</sup> (diphenhydramine) and hydroxyzine

### Multi-functional activity suggests potential for other indications

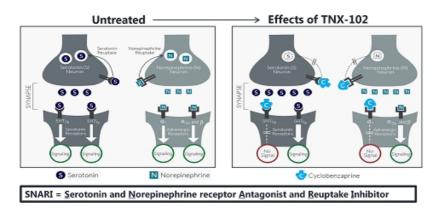
- TNX-102 SL was developed for the management of fibromyalgia (Phase 3)
- · Sleep quality is a problem in other conditions





#### Cyclobenzaprine is a multi-functional drug - SNARI

- inhibits serotonin and norepinephrine reuptake
- blocks serotonin 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> and norepinephrine  $\alpha_1$  receptors

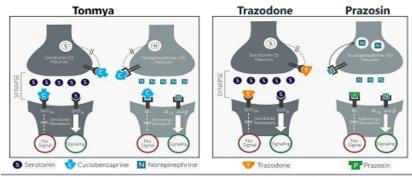




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#### Trazodone (disordered sleep), prazosin (night terrors)

- Trazodone inhibits serotonin 5HT<sub>2A</sub> receptors and serotonin reuptake (SARI) Prazosin blocks norepinephrine  $\alpha_1$  receptors



SARI – Serotonin Receptor Antagonist & Reuptake (nhibitor (Stahl SM, CNS Spectrums, 2009;14:536).





#### Role of sleep disturbance more established in common psychiatric and neurological/pain disorders

- · Recognized as a core symptom of many of these disorders
- Traditional sleep medications, which increase sleep quantity, may not provide benefit (benzodiazepines in major depression) or are contraindicated (benzodiazepines in PTSD)

#### **Psychiatric Disorders**

- Stress Disorders (PTSD)
- Mood Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders

#### Psychiatric Symptoms of Neurological Disorders

- Agitation in Alzheimer's
- Psychosis in Parkinson's, Alzheimer's and other dementias

#### **Chronic Pain States**

- Chronic wide-spread pain (fibromyalgia)
- Osteoarthritis

# Growing recognition that there are many disorders where sleep disturbances may have a role in the pathophysiology (cardiovascular, metabolic, neurologic)

· Homeostatic role of sleep quality in several disorders



## Management of Fibromyalgia (FM) - chronic pain condition

- TNX-102 SL clinical development in FM was halted after near miss in Phase 3 at low dose (2.8 mg) – half the dose being developed for PTSD
- Imbalance in "withdrawal of consent" led to statistical miss on responder analysis a few TNX-102 SL treated patients "moved out of state"
- Average pain improvement (secondary endpoint) after 12 weeks of treatment showed statistical significance (P< 0.05)
- Low dose TNX-102 SL (2.8 mg) showed an improvement in sleep quality in Phase 2 and Phase 3 FM trials

## Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease

- Phase 2 IND cleared April 2018
- · Phase 2 study can be a pivotal efficacy study

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### Agitation is one of the most distressing and debilitating of the behavioral complications of Alzheimer's disease

Includes emotional lability, restlessness, irritability and aggression<sup>1</sup>

### Link between disturbed sleep and agitation in Alzheimer's<sup>1-3</sup>

Agitation is commonly diurnal ("sundowning")

#### Prevalence

 Agitation is likely to affect more than half of the 5.3 million Americans who currently suffer from moderate to severe Alzheimer's disease, and this number is expected to nearly triple by 2050<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Rose, K.et al. (2015). American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias, 30:78
 <sup>2</sup>Shih, Y. H., et al. (2017). Journal of the American Medical Directors Association, 18, 396.
 <sup>3</sup>Canevelli, M., et al. (2016). Frontiers in medicine, 3.
 <sup>4</sup>The Alzheimer's Association, 2017 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures: <u>https://www.alz.org/facts/</u>



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#### Outcomes

 Agitation is associated with significant poor outcomes for Alzheimer's patients and challenges for their caregivers

### Common reason for institutionalization

 Development of agitation, or its worsening, is one of the most common reasons for patients having to transition from lower- to higher levels of care (nursing homes and other long-term care settings)<sup>1</sup>

#### Cost

 The presence of agitation nearly doubles the cost of caring for patients with Alzheimer's disease, and agitation is estimated to account for more than 12% of the healthcare and societal cost of Alzheimer's disease, which is currently estimated to be \$256 Billion for the year 2017 in the United States<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>The Alzheimer's Association, 2017 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures: <u>https://www.alz.org/facts/</u>



## Phase 2 IND cleared April 2018

### Significant unmet need

· No FDA approved drugs for the treatment of agitation in Alzheimer's

## Mechanism of improving sleep quality

· Sleep disturbance is a significant and common symptoms in Alzheimer's

## Pharmacological advantages outweigh potential concerns of using TNX-102 SL in treating agitation in Alzheimer's disease

- Blocks 3 receptors, not just one (e.g., 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>)
- Anti-muscarinic (M1) effect in patients on anticholinergics (e.g., donepezil and rivastigmine) possibly reduced with lower sublingual dose



# TNX-102 SL for Agitation in Alzheimer's –Regulatory Status and Registration Strategy

#### FDA confirmed no additional study is needed prior to IND submission

 Pre-IND meeting established open dialogue with the FDA on pivotal clinical study design and efficacy endpoints to support product registration

#### Phase 2 IND cleared in April 2018

· Proposed Phase 2 IND study can potentially serve as a pivotal efficacy study

#### Potential approval of TNX-102 SL in agitation in Alzheimer's disease

 Efficacy Supplement (sNDA<sup>1</sup>) may be leveraged from the PTSD development program and supported by Initial NDA approval for PTSD

<sup>1</sup>Supplemental New Drug Application



## Scientific Rationale for Developing TNX-102 SL for Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease



#### Connection between Sleep Disturbance and Agitation

- Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease is associated with sleep disturbance<sup>1,2</sup>
- Evidence that improving sleep could improve agitation<sup>3</sup>

#### Supported by Potential Mechanism of Action

- TNX-102 is a multifunctional agent including antagonism of 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>, α<sub>1</sub>adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors
- Certain 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> antagonists have shown clinical efficacy against agitation in dementia including trazodone<sup>4,5</sup>, and mirtazapine<sup>6</sup>
- The α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic antagonist prazosin has shown efficacy in the treatment of agitation in dementia<sup>7</sup>
- The histamine H<sub>1</sub> antagonist hydroxyzine had historical use in treating agitation in dementia<sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Bachmen, D. and Rabins, P. <u>Annu Rev Med.</u> 2006;57:499.
<sup>2</sup>Rose, K et al. <u>Am J Alzheimers Dis Other Demen.</u> 2015 30(1):78.
<sup>3</sup>Figueiro MG Sleep Med. 2014 15(12):1554-64.
<sup>4</sup>Lebert F. et al. <u>Dement Geriatr Cogn Disord.</u> 2004:17(4):355.
<sup>5</sup>Sulzer DL et al.<u>Am J Geriatr Psychiatry</u>. 1997 5(1):60.
<sup>6</sup>Cakir S. et el., <u>Neuropsychiatr Dis Treat.</u> 2008 4(5):963.
<sup>7</sup>Wang, LY et al., <u>Am J Geriatr Psychiatry</u>. 2009 17(9):744
<sup>8</sup>Settel E. Am <u>Pract Dig Treat.</u> 1957 8(10):1584.

## TNX-102 SL Potentially Addresses Some of the Challenges in Treating Agitation in Alzheimer's

## Sublingual route of administration (no swallowing)

· Swallowing can be an issue for a significant number of Alzheimer's patients

## Low dose taken daily at bedtime

- Potentially minimize daytime anticholinergic side effects  $\rightarrow$  improved tolerability and patient compliance

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## Role of sleep in clearing debris from the brain

 Animal studies have shown debris clearance from the brain during sleep including toxic proteins associated with Alzheimer's progression<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>T Xie L, et al. Science. (2013);342(6156):373

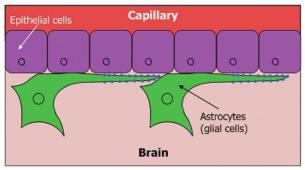
# Protective Barriers in the Central and Peripheral Nervous Systems

**Glial cells** are cells that reside in the central nervous system and can provide protective barriers between the central and peripheral nervous systems<sup>1,2</sup>

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#### Blood–Brain Barrier:

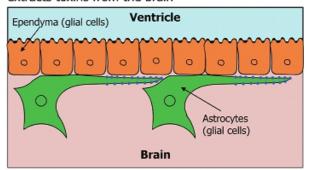
supplies nutrients to the brain and filters toxins<sup>1</sup>



1. Ballabh P, et al. Neurobiol Dis. 2004;16(1):1-13.

2. Jessen NA, et al. Neurochem Res. 2015;40(12):2583-2599.

Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)–Brain Barrier/Glymphatic System: extracts toxins from the brain<sup>2</sup>

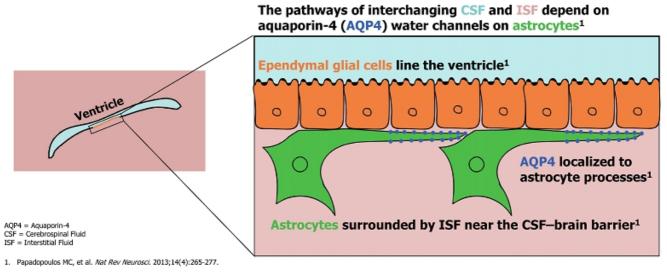


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## During Wakefulness, Proteins Linked to Neuronal Death and Neurodegeneration Accumulate in the Brain's Extracellular Space

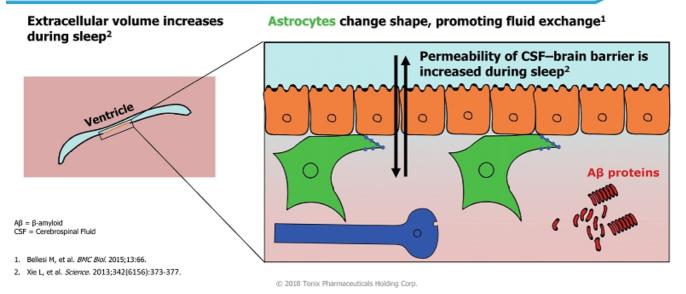
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# During Sleep, the CSF–Brain Barrier Is More Permeable, Allowing Debris to Clear



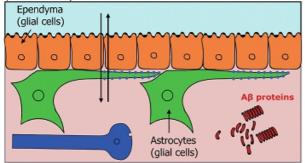


# Sleep–Wake Cycles Alter Permeability of the CSF–Brain Barrier

Fluid exchange at the CSF–brain barrier allows for clearance of toxic proteins called  $\beta$ –amyloids (A $\beta$ ).<sup>1</sup> Glial cells in the brain work to facilitate this fluid exchange.<sup>2</sup> Sleep–wake cycles alter glial cell morphology, which may affect fluid exchange at the CSF–brain barrier.<sup>3</sup>

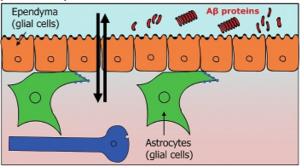
#### Wakefulness:

Fluid exchange is reduced due to limited permeability of the CSF–brain barrier<sup>1</sup>



#### Sleep:

Fluid exchange is increased due to greater permeability of the CSF-brain barrier<sup>1</sup>



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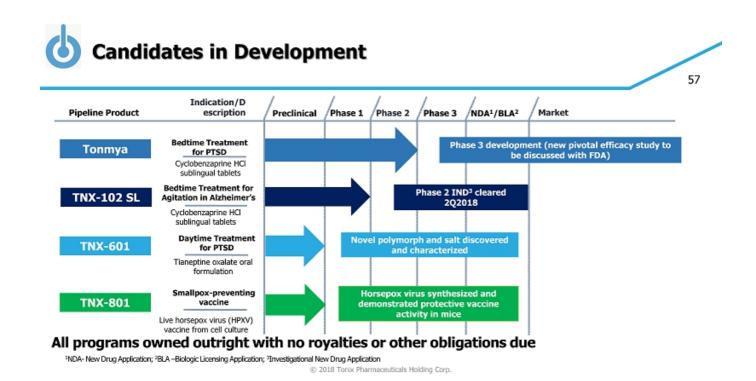
# Agitation in Alzheimer's – Competitive Landscape of Select Drugs in Development

#### **Competitive landscape**

- 5HT<sub>2A</sub> Antagonists/inverse agonists
  - Nelotanserin (Axovant)
- Atypical Antipsychotics (also have 5HT<sub>2A</sub> antagonism)
  - Rexulti<sup>®</sup> brexpiprazole (Otsuka/Lundbeck)
  - · Lumateperone (InterCellular)
- · Dextromethorphans believed to act as SSRI, glutamate/NMDA and sigma-1 receptor modulators
  - Deudextromethorphan (Avanir/Otsuka) deuterated version of Nuedexta®
  - · Dextromethorphan/bupropion (Axsome Therapeutics)

### TNX-102 SL uniquely designed for bedtime dosing and transmucosal absorption

- Maximize drug exposure during sleep  $\rightarrow$  improving sleep quality
- Other 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> antagonists not designed for bedtime sublingual dosing





# TNX-601 (Tianeptine Oxalate): A Potential Clinical Candidate for PTSD

Pre-IND Candidate	<ul> <li>Targeted as a 1<sup>st</sup> line monotherapy for PTSD: oral formulation for daytime dosing         <ul> <li>Leverages expertise in PTSD (clinical and regulatory experience, market analysis, etc.)</li> <li>Mechanism of Action (MOA) is different from Tonmya</li> </ul> </li> <li>Tianeptine sodium (amorphous) has been approved in EU, Russia, Asia and Latin America for depression since 1987 with established post-marketing experience</li> <li>Identified new oxalate salt polymorph with improved pharmaceutical properties ideal for reformulation</li> <li>Filed patent application on novel salt polymorph</li> <li>Issued patent on steroid-induced cognitive impairment and memory loss issues</li> </ul>
Targeting a Condition with Significant Unmet Need	<ul> <li>Clinical evidence for PTSD</li> <li>Several studies have shown tianeptine to be active in the treatment of PTSD<sup>1-4</sup></li> </ul>
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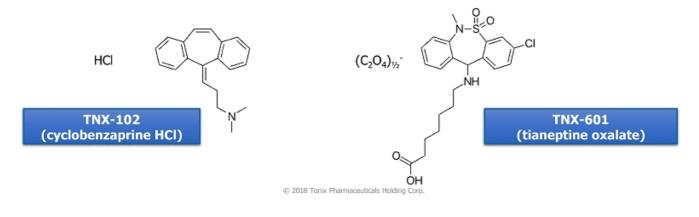


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Cyclobenzaprine and tianeptine share structural similarities with classic tricyclic antidepressants (TCAs) and to each other, but each has unique pharmacological properties

Tianeptine has a 3-chlorodibenzothiazepine nucleus with an aminoheptanoic side chain

#### Tianeptine leverages Tonix's expertise in the pharmacology and development of tricyclics





# **TNX-801 (Synthesized Live Horsepox Virus):** A Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine Candidate

Pre-IND Stage	Potential improvement over current biodefense tools against smallpox         Leverages Tonix's government affairs effort         Collaboration with Professor David Evans and Dr. Ryan Noyce at University of Alberta         Demonstrated protective vaccine activity in mice         Patent application on novel vaccine submitted         Regulatory strategy         • We intend to meet with FDA to discuss the most efficient and appropriate investigational plan to support the licensure, either:         Application of the "Animal Rule", or         Conducting an active comparator study using ACAM2000         • Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) viral production process in development
Targeting a Potential Public Health Issue	Material threat medical countermeasure under 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act <ul> <li>Qualifies for Priority Review Voucher* (PRV) upon licensure</li> <li>PRVs have no expiration date, are transferrable and have sold for ~\$125 M</li> </ul>

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<sup>3</sup>PRV can be applied to any BLA/NDA for priority 6-month review





## Synthesis<sup>1</sup> from sequence of a 1976 Mongolian isolate<sup>2</sup> In mice, TNX-801 behaved like attenuated vaccinia virus

 Vaccinia is the term used to classify the live poxviruses that are used as smallpox vaccines, including ACAM2000, which is the latest smallpox vaccine licensed in the U.S.

## How is HPXV related to modern vaccines?

- Multiple sources<sup>3-5</sup> indicate that the smallpox vaccine discovered by Dr. Edward Jenner in the early 19th century was either HPXV or a very similar virus and that vaccinia vaccines are derived from this ancestral strain
- A 1902 U.S. smallpox vaccine was found to be highly similar (99.7% similarity in core genome<sup>6</sup>) to HPXV sequence from the 1976 Mongolian isolate
- Horsepox is now believed to be extinct<sup>5</sup>
- <sup>1</sup> Noyce, RS, Lederman S, Evans DH. PLoS ONE. 2018; 13(1): e0188453 https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0188453
- <sup>2</sup> Tulman et al., Journal of Virology, 2006; 80(18): 9244-9258
   <sup>3</sup> Qin et al., Journal of Virology, 2011; 85(24):13049-13060
   <sup>4</sup> Medaglia et al., Journal of Virology, 2011; 85(24):13049-13060
   <sup>5</sup> Esparza J. Veterinary Record. 2013; 173: 272-273

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Schrick, L. et al., N Engl J Med 2017; 377:1491-1492, <u>http://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMc1707600</u> © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



## The Currently Licensed Smallpox Vaccine ACAM2000 is a Live Vaccinia Virus (VACV) Vaccine

#### ACAM2000 is sold to the U.S. Strategic National Stockpiles<sup>1</sup>

- Sold by Emergent BioSolutions
- Sanofi divested ACAM2000 to Emergent BioSolutions in 2017 for \$97.5 M upfront plus milestones
- ACAM2000 was developed by Acambis which was acquired by Sanofi in 2008 for \$513 M

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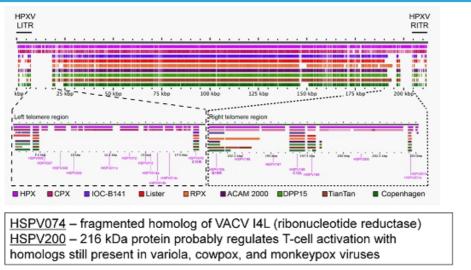
#### Vaccinia (VACV) strains have demonstrated potential for zoonotic infections and re-infection of humans<sup>2-5</sup>

• No known evidence for zoonosis of ACAM2000, but it has not been widely administered

Modern VACV smallpox vaccines are associated with cardiotoxicity<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Nalca, A et al. Drug design, development and Therapy. (2010) 4:71-79
 <sup>2</sup>Medaglia MLG, et al. J Virol. (2015) 89:11909 –11925. doi:10.1128/JVI.01833-15.
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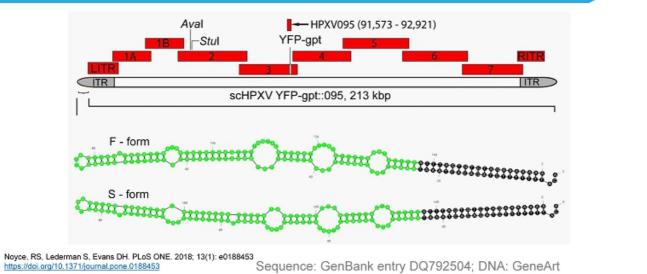


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# Genome Assembly (212 kbp) by Synthesis of Fragments and Construction of Telomeres

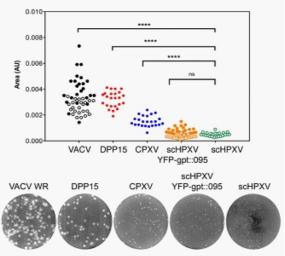


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# HPXV Produces Small Plaques that are More Like Cowpox Than Vaccinia (VACV)

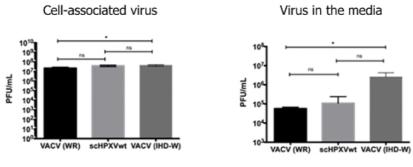




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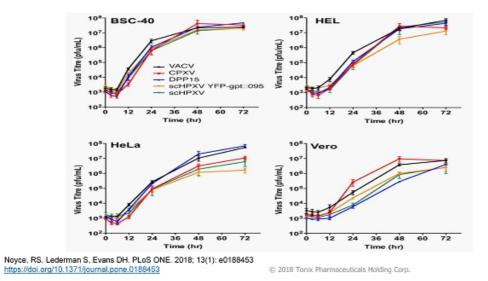






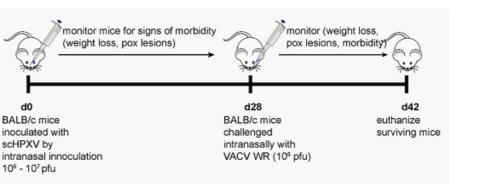
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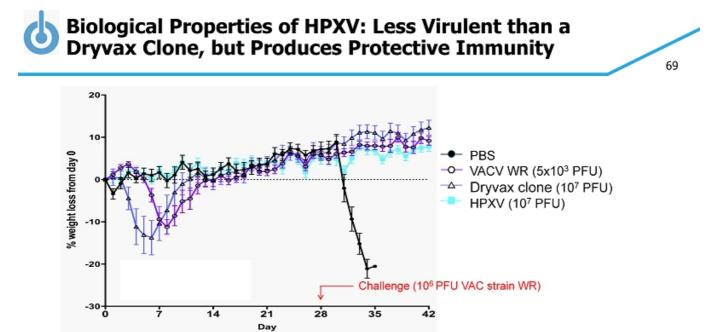




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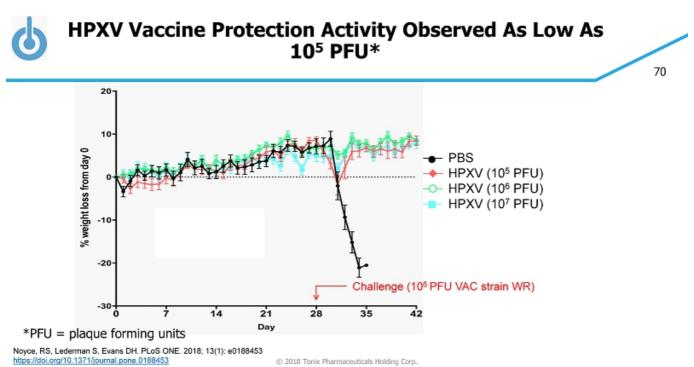
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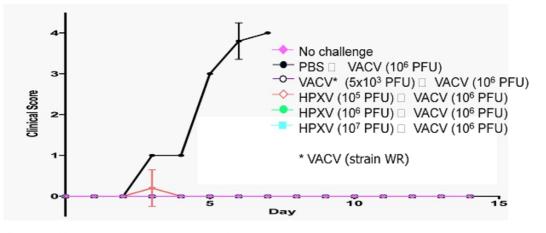


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# No Overt Clinical Sign Observed in HPXV Vaccinated Mice After VACV Challenge

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# HPXV or TNX-801– May Have an Improved Safety Profile as a Smallpox Preventing Vaccine

Horsepox is caused by HPXV and is characterized by mouth and skin eruptions

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HXPV isolate from the 1976 outbreak later sequenced

Modern smallpox vaccines are associated with cardiotoxicity<sup>1</sup>

HPXV has potential for slower proliferation leading to possibly decreased toxicity<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Engler RJM et al., PloS ONE 10(3): e0118283. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0118283 (2015)
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Smallpox was eradicated as a result of global public health campaigns

No cases of naturally-occurring smallpox have been reported since 1977

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Accidental or intentional transmission of smallpox does not require a natural reservoir

Stockpiles of smallpox-preventing vaccines are currently maintained and refreshed in case of need



### **Ongoing vaccination of U.S. troops**

· Troops in the Global Response Force

### Threat of smallpox re-introduction

Strategic National Stockpile & public health policy

## Re-emergence of monkey pox<sup>1</sup>

· Believed to resurgent because of vaccinia-naïve populations in Africa

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· Multiple U.S. military operations ongoing in Africa

<sup>1</sup>Nda- Isaiah, J. Nigeria: Monkey Pox Scourge Spreads to Seven States. All Africa. 12 OCTOBER 2017, <u>HTTP://ALLAFRICA.COM/STORIES/201710120177.HTML</u> © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



## 21st Century Cures Act (2016), Section 3086

· Encouraging treatments for agents that present a national security threat

# Medical countermeasures are drugs, biologics (vaccines) or devices intended to treat:

- Biological, chemical, radiological, or nuclear agents that present a national security threat
- Public health issues stemming from a naturally occurring emerging disease or a natural disaster

# New Priority Review Voucher program for "Material Threat Medical Countermeasures"

Priority Review Voucher may be transferred or sold

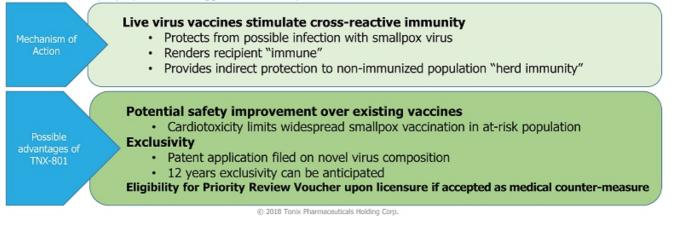


## TNX-801 (Synthesized Live Horsepox Virus): A Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine Candidate



#### TNX-801 (HPVX)

- · Synthesized live horsepox virus
- · Shares structural characteristics with vaccinia-based smallpox vaccines
- Unique properties that suggest lower toxicity





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Given that smallpox is eradicated the only evidence of effectiveness for modern vaccines is from historical use when smallpox was endemic

- Stimulates interest in the evolution of vaccinia
- Vaccinia stocks around the world diverged from Jenner's 1798 vaccine

Evolutionary argument that common progenitor was horsepox or a similar virus

# U.S. vaccine from 1902 was found to be 99.7% similar to horsepox in core viral sequence<sup>1</sup>

- · Strong evidence linking a horsepox-like virus as progenitor to modern vaccinia
- Effectiveness of older vaccines support belief that HPXV will be protective against smallpox

<sup>1</sup>Schrick, L. et al (2017) An Early American Smallpox Vaccine Based on Horsepox N Engl J Med 2017; 377:1491 © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



### Single clone picked from "swarm" of Dryvax<sup>®1</sup>

Some rationale for selection<sup>2</sup>

### Growth in serum free Vero cells

 Eliminates risk of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)/prion contamination – safety concerns in Wyeth's Dryvax (grown in calf lymph)

# In 2000, the evolutionary connection between vaccinia and horsepox was not understood

Tulman's sequence of horsepox was published in 2006<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>US licensed smallpox preventing vaccine – ACAM2000 is currently marketed, Dryvax has been withdrawn from marketing <sup>2</sup>Monath, TP et al. Int. J. of Inf. Dis. (2004) 852:S31 <sup>3</sup>Tulman, ER. Genome of Horsepox Virus J. Virol. (2006) 80(18) 9244 © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



## **Rationale for Developing a Potentially Improved New Smallpox Vaccine**

# Toxicity concern of modern vaccinia (VACV) vaccines limit wildly administration

- Not recommended for use, even in first responders
- U.S. soldiers in the Global Response Force are immunized

### Modern VACV vaccination safety studied in 1081 VACV (Dryvax [62.5%] and ACAM2000 [37.5%]) vaccinees<sup>1</sup>

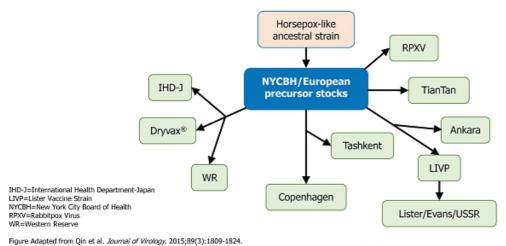
- New onset chest pain, dyspnea and/or palpitations 10.6% of VACVvaccinees and 2.6% of control immunized (TIV)2
- Clinical: 4 probable myo- and 1 suspected peri-carditis (5 cases out of 1081 VACV vaccinees 0.5%)
- Cardiac specific troponin T (cTnT) elevation in 31 VACV vaccinees (3%)

<sup>1</sup>Engler RJM,, et al. (2015) A Prospective Study of the Incidence of Myocarditis/Pericarditis and New Onset Cardiac Symptoms following Smallpox and Influenza Vaccination. PLoS ONE 10(3) <sup>2</sup>TIV = trivalent influenza vaccine - control vaccinees © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



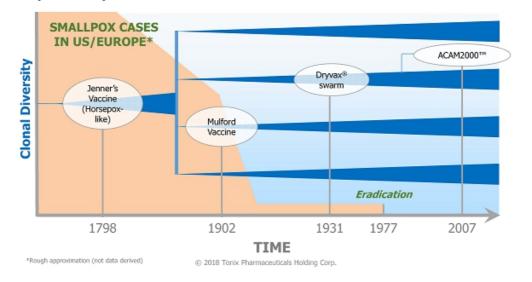
#### Postulated Divergence of Historical Strains of Vaccinia

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### **Relationship to Smallpox Incidence and Eradication**



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## What's the Evidence of Effectiveness of Smallpox Vaccines for Preventing Smallpox?

### Theoretical effectiveness of modern vaccinia vaccines are based on extrapolation from older vaccines

· Newer/modern vaccines were not widely used when smallpox was endemic

# MVA (Modified Virus Ankara) which has large deletions also produces different T cell responses

- In non-human primates, MVA is less effective than ACAM2000 in protecting against monkeypox<sup>1</sup>
- MVA has fewer epitopes, and elicits different responses to existing epitopes<sup>2</sup>
  - MVA effectiveness argument is based on the immune response to intracellular mature virus (IMV)
  - Immunity to the other form of virus, extracellular enveloped virus (EEV), is weak because the immunodominant B5 gene is heavily mutated and deleted in MVA

<sup>1</sup>Golden JW, et al. (2012). PLoS ONE 7(7): e42353. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0042353 <sup>2</sup>Tscharke, DC et al., J. Exp. Med. 2005 201(1):95 © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



# **Possible Smallpox Prevention and Treatment Strategies**

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## **Preventing Vaccine**

· Jenner's vaccine, HPXV (upon licensure), Vaccinia

#### Post-exposure vaccination<sup>1</sup>

· Jenner's vaccine

### Priming of the immune system

Imvamune<sup>®</sup> (MVA) and DNA vaccines<sup>2</sup>

### Pharmacotherapy for infected or exposed individuals

Arestvyr<sup>®</sup>/TPOXX<sup>®</sup> (tecovirimat, formerly ST-246)

### Treatment of disseminated viremia in immunocompromised<sup>3</sup>

Arestvyr<sup>®</sup>/TPOXX<sup>®</sup>, Brincidofovir and vaccinia immune globulin

<sup>1</sup>Described by Jenner as one of his major discoveries

<sup>2</sup>Hooper, JW et al. Smallpox DNA Vaccine Protects Nonhuman Primates Against Lethal Monkeypox. J. Virol. 2004. 78 (9) 4433

<sup>3</sup>Lederman, ER et al, Progressive Vaccinia: Case Description and Laboratory-Guided Therapy With Vaccinia Immune Globulin, ST-246, and CMX001 JID 2012. 206:1372



# Pox vaccines with low or no replication appear safer than vaccines replicate fast in human cells

- Canarypox and Imvamune® (Modified Virus Ankara/MVA) appear to have good tolerability
- · Relatively safe in immunocompromised hosts
- Rapidly replicating modern vaccinia vaccines (Dryvax  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$  and ACAM2000  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$ ) are associated with myocarditis

## Replication correlates positively with immunogenicity

- · Jenner's vaccine and modern vaccinia engender strong immunity
- Canarypox and MVA appear to be weak immunogens, suitable for priming of the immune system in healthy human being and potentially safe enough to use in immunocompromised people



### TNX-801 (HPXV) is expected to have similar scalability for mass production as ACAM2000

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- TNX-801 grows well in cell lines immunity is expected after single administration (immunization)
- · Only a small dose (replicating live virus) is required for immunization

### MVA is hard to scale up for commercial production

- · Requires high dose to engender an immune response (non-replicating virus)
- Cumbersome immunization schedule
   two doses, 4 weeks apart, are used typically to
  prime the immune system (slow growth)

### Antivirals

- Relatively expensive to manufacture requires repeated dosing
- · May provide logistical challenges to at risk population over the at risk period

## Rationale for Developing a Potentially Improved New Smallpox Vaccine Based on Jenner's Vaccine

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# Vaccination protects against smallpox – both individuals and populations at risk

Use of Jenner's vaccine resulted in eradication of smallpox

### Vaccination can protect AFTER smallpox infection

- Vaccinia can be administered 1-3 days after infection
- Vaccination indirectly protects non-immunized people in a population
   "Wetting the forest" or "herd immunity"

### Vaccination can be cost effective with safe/low-risk vaccines

 Replication-efficient live virus vaccines can be manufactured and administered for broader use

### "The Time is Right"

New synthetic biology technology and new understanding of vaccinia evolution provide an opportunity for a potentially safer vaccine using HPXV



## Potential for Use of HPXV as a Vector for Vaccines to Infectious Disease or Cancer



## Poxviruses like HPXV can be engineered to express foreign genes and are well recognized platforms for vaccine development

- Large packaging capacity for exogenous DNA inserts (i.e. encoding antigens)
- · Precise virus-specific control of exogenous gene insert expression
- Lack of persistence or genomic integration in the host
- · Strong immunogenicity as a vaccine
- · Ability to rapidly generate vector/insert constructs
- · Readily manufacture at scale
- · Live, replicating vaccine direct antigen presentation

# Potential advantages of HPXV- strong immunogenicity with good tolerability



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### Tonmya – Posttraumatic Stress Disorder

<b>a</b>	July 2018	HONOR study discontinued- interim analysis result did not support study continuation
	August 2018	Presentation of HONOR study results at scientific meeting
	October 2018	Meeting confirmed with FDA to finalize next pivotal study design



### Phase 3 Breakthrough Therapy development for PTSD focused on military-related PTSD

- Major unmet need; ~11 million Americans affected
- Potential single-study NDA submission

### New indication in development for agitation in Alzheimer's Disease

- · Unmet medical need, no approved drug available
- Phase 2 IND cleared in April 2018
- · Fast Track designation granted in July 2018

#### **Complimentary day-time PTSD treatment in development**

· Leverages development expertise in PTSD, i.e., trial recruitment and execution

#### Innovative vaccine in development to prevent Smallpox

- · Opportunity to supply stockpiling requirement; short development path
- Studies in mice suggest improved safety profile

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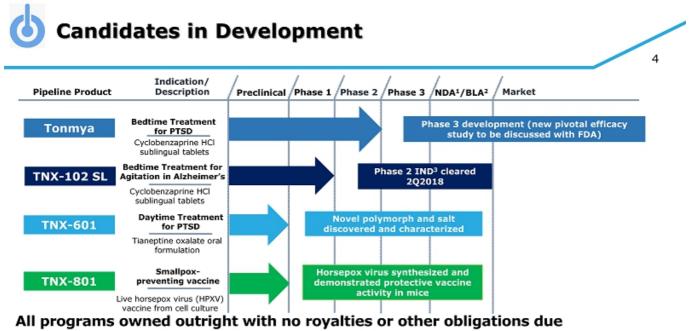
#### Who we are:

A clinical stage pharmaceutical company dedicated to developing innovative treatments for patients and making meaningful contributions to society

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### What we do:

- · Target therapeutics with high need for improvement
  - Conditions with no or ineffective treatments
  - Significant patient segments not well served by existing therapies
- Develop innovative treatment options with possibility to be a "game changer"
  - Scientifically unique and innovative
  - Supported by strong scientific rationale
  - Confirmed by clinical evidence and published literature
  - Utilize proven regulatory pathway and established clinical endpoint
  - Built on a foundation of proprietary intellectual property



<sup>1</sup>NDA- New Drug Application; <sup>2</sup>BLA –Biologic Licensing Application; <sup>3</sup>Investigational New Drug Application © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



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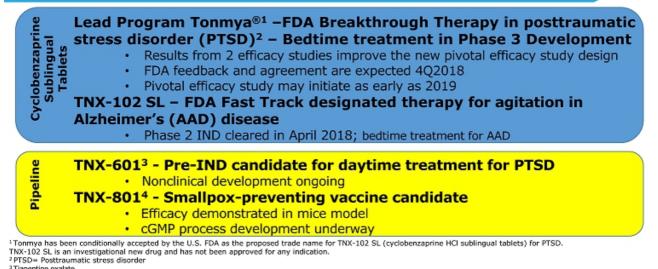
#### Sleep disturbances are associated with a constellation of disorders

- · Considered co-morbid or a key symptom in these disorders
- · Believed to have a role in the onset, progression and severity of these disorders

#### The focus of TNX-102 SL development is both unique and innovative

- Testing the therapeutic benefit of sleep ('sleep quality')
   Restorative sleep...in contrast to time spent sleeping ('sleep quantity')
- Targeting clinical conditions for which improved sleep quality may have a therapeutic benefit
  - Reduction in disease-specific symptoms, with sleep improvement as a secondary endpoint

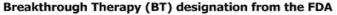
# **onix Development Highlights**



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<sup>3</sup> Tianeptine oxalate <sup>4</sup> Synthesized live horsepox virus

**Tonmya for PTSD** 



#### Expedited development and accelerated approval are expected

#### One Phase 2 study completed and one Phase 3 study stopped early due to inadequate separation from placebo

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- · Both studies were accepted by the FDA as potential pivotal efficacy studies in military-related PTSD if successful
- · No safety or tolerability concern
- · Phase 2 study formed the basis of BT designation
- Phase 3 study provided evidence of effectiveness as early as 4 weeks after treatment but diminished over time due to high placebo response

#### Expecting FDA feedback and agreement on second Phase 3 trial in 4Q2018

- Potential NDA<sup>1</sup> approval can be based on one Phase 3 study
- Patent protection through 2034 in U.S.<sup>2</sup>
  - · Composition of matter patent for transmucosal delivery of cyclobenzaprine

#### Novel mechanism targets sleep quality

Memory processing during sleep is important to recovery

<sup>1</sup>NDA = New Drug Application <sup>2</sup>U.S. Patent No. 9,636,408 for eutectic proprietary Protectic™ formulation



# FDA granted Tonmya Breakthrough Therapy designation – reported December 19, 2016

- PTSD is a serious condition
- · Tonmya has potential advantages over existing therapies in military-related PTSD

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### Benefits of Breakthrough Therapy designation

- · Eligibility for priority review of the NDA within 6 months instead of 10-12 months
- · Option to submit completed portions of the NDA for rolling review
- An organizational commitment involving FDA's senior managers to accelerate the development and approval process, an opportunity to compress development time

### NDA filing based on one successful pivotal efficacy study is possible if results are statistically persuasive

Discussed at March 9, 2017 Initial Cross-disciplinary Breakthrough Meeting with the FDA

#### Designed for bedtime use

· Every night, sublingual therapy

#### Targets sleep quality<sup>1</sup>

• The active ingredient cyclobenzaprine, interacts with receptors that regulate sleep quality: strongly binds and potently blocks 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>,  $\alpha_1$ -adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors, permissive to sleep-dependent recovery processes

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#### No recognized abuse potential

Not a benzo or non-benzo class drug

#### U.S. patent protection through 2034

 Composition of matter and method of use patents issued – Pharmacokinetic patent application in review

<sup>1</sup> Daugherty et al., Abstract 728, Society of Biological Psychiatry 70th Annual Scientific Convention, May 14-16, 2015, Toronto Ontario, Canada



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# Active ingredient is cyclobenzaprine, which is structurally related to tricyclic antidepressants

- Cyclobenzaprine interacts with receptors that regulate sleep quality: 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>;  $\alpha_1$ -adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors
- Cyclobenzaprine does <u>NOT</u> interact with the same receptors as traditional hypnotic sleep drugs, benzodiazepines or nonbenzodiazepines that are associated with retrograde amnesia
- Cyclobenzaprine-containing product was approved 40 years ago and current labeling (May 2016) indicates no abuse or dependence concern

# Tonmya NDA can be filed without drug abuse and dependency assessment studies

 Discussed at March 9, 2017 Initial Cross-disciplinary Breakthrough Meeting with the FDA



#### TNX-102 SL Intellectual Property – U.S. Protection until 2034

#### Composition of matter (eutectic) : Protection expected to 2034

 United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) issued U.S. Patent No. 9,636,408 in May 2017 and U.S. Patent No. 9,956,188 in May 2018

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- Japanese Patent Office (JPO) issued Japanese Patent No. 6310542 in March 2018
- New Zealand Intellectual Property Office (NZIPO) issued New Zealand Patent No. 631152 in May 2017
- · 37 patent applications pending (2 allowed (US and South Africa))

#### Pharmacokinetics (PK) : Protection expected to 2033

- · JPO issued Japanese Patent No. 6259452 in December 2017
- NZIPO issued New Zealand Patent No. 631144 in March 2017
- Taiwanese Intellectual Property Office issued Taiwanese Patent No. I590820 in July 2017
- · 21 patent applications pending (1 allowed (Australia))

#### Method of use for active ingredient cyclobenzaprine : Protection expected to 2030

- European Patent Office issued European Patent No. 2 501 234B1 in September 2017 (validated in 38 countries). Opposition filed in June 2018
- USPTO issued U.S. Patent 9,918,948 in March 2018
- 2 patent applications pending



#### TNX-102 SL: Sublingual Formulation is Designed for Bedtime Administration

TNX-102 SL: Proprietary sublingual formulation of cyclobenzaprine (CBP) with transmucosal absorption 12

- · Innovation by design with patent protected CBP/mannitol eutectic
- · Rapid systemic exposure
- Increases bioavailability during sleep
- Avoids first-pass metabolism
- · Lowers exposure to long-lived active major metabolite, norcyclobenzaprine (norCBP)

# CBP undergoes extensive first-pass hepatic metabolism when orally ingested

- Active major metabolite, norCBP1
  - Long half-life (~72 hours)
  - Less selective for target receptors (5-HT<sub>2A</sub>, α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic, histamine H<sub>1</sub>)
  - · More selective for norepinephrine transporter

<sup>1</sup> Daugherty et al., Abstract 728, Society of Biological Psychiatry 70th Annual Scientific Convention, May 14-16, 2015, Toronto Ontario, Canada



Tonmya: Novel Mechanism Targets Sleep Quality for Recovery from PTSD

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#### PTSD is a disorder of recovery

- · Most people exposed to extreme trauma recover over a few weeks
- In PTSD, recovery process impeded due to insufficient sleep-dependent memory processing

#### Memory processing is essential to recovery

 Vulnerability to memory intrusions and trauma triggers remains if no consolidation of new learning (extinction)

#### Tonmya targets sleep quality<sup>1</sup>

• The active ingredient in Tonmya, cyclobenzaprine, interacts with receptors that regulate sleep quality: strongly binds and potently blocks 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>,  $\alpha_1$ -adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors, permissive to sleep-dependent recovery processes

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#### PSTD is a chronic disabling disorder in response to experiencing traumatic event(s)

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#### Symptoms of PTSD fall into four clusters:

- 1. Intrusion (aversive memories, nightmares, flashbacks)
- 2. Avoidance (avoiding persons, places or situations)
- 3. Mood/cognitions (memory block, emotional numbing, detachment from others)
- 4. Hyperarousal (anxiety, agitation & sleep disturbance)

#### Diagnosis, symptom severity, as well as treatment effect, is determined by CAPS-5\*

- · Recognized as the standard for rating PTSD severity in clinical trials
- · Takes into account all four symptom clusters
- Higher Total CAPS-5 score reflects more severe PTSD symptoms

\* Clinician-administered PTSD scale for Diagnostic Statistical Manual version 5 (DSM-5)



#### Consequences:

Impaired daily function and substantial interference with work and social interactions

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- · Reckless or destructive behavior
- · Increased health care utilization and greater medical morbidity

#### PTSD as a risk factor for:

- Depression
- · Alcohol or substance abuse
- Absenteeism/unemployment
- Homelessness
- Violent acts
- · Suicidal thoughts and suicide

# PTSD: Not Well-Served by Approved Treatments

FDA-approved SSRIs, paroxetine and sertraline, are indicated as a treatment for PTSD

- · Neither drug has shown efficacy in military-related PTSD
- · Majority of patients unresponsive or intolerant to current treatments
- Side effects relating to sexual dysfunction (particularly in males), sleep and weight gain are commonly reported

#### Characteristics of an ideal drug therapy that would be compatible and complementary with behavioral therapy

- Lack of retrograde amnesia (e.g., unlike off-label use of benzodiazepines and nonbenzodiazepines)
- Lack of interference on sleep (e.g., unlike approved SSRIs)

#### Tonmya is being developed as a "treatment for PTSD"

FDA does not distinguish between military and civilian PTSD

# U High Prevalence of PTSD Among Combat Veterans



<sup>1</sup>Goldstein et al., 2016; <sup>2</sup>Norris, PTSD Res Quar. 2013; <sup>3</sup>Analysis of VA Health Care Utilization among Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn Veterans, from 1st Qtr FY 2002 through 2nd Qtr FY 2015, Washington, DC; Among 1.9M separated OEF/OIF/OND veterans, 1.2M have obtained VA healthcare; 685k evaluated by VA with possible mental disorder, and 379k diagnosed with PTSD; <sup>4</sup> Goldstein et al., 2016; <sup>5</sup> Veterans: VA/DOD Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Managements of PTSD and Acute Stress Disorder, 2017, page 15



### HONOR Study – Evidence of Efficacy at Week 4

#### **Discontinued Due to High Placebo Response at Week 12**

#### General study characteristics:

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, adaptive design, planned 550 military-related PTSD participants with baseline CAPS- $5^1 \ge 33$  in approximately 40 U.S. sites

Tonmya once-daily at bedtime 5.6 mg (2 x 2.8 mg tablets)  $n=125^*$ 

Placebo once-daily at bedtime n=127\*

- 12-weeks -

#### Primary endpoint CAPS-51:

Mean change from baseline at week 12 (Tonmya 5.6 mg vs. placebo)

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## Unblinded interim analysis (IA) at ~50% randomized participants (N=274/252\*)

- Study stopped based on a pre-specified study continuation threshold at week 12
- Participants discontinued in HONOR or 12-week open-label extension (OLE) studies can be rolled over to the 40-week OLE study

Image: 12-week and/or 40-week open-label extension studies

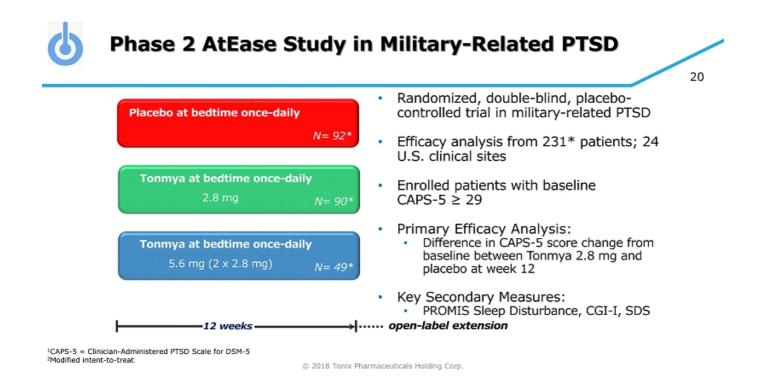
<sup>1</sup>CAPS-5 = Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5 <sup>2</sup>IDMC=Independent Data Monitoring Committee \* Modified intent-to-treat

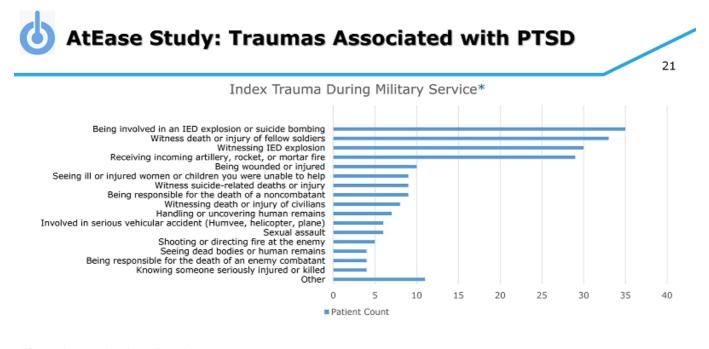
#### HONOR was a large adequate well-controlled study in military-related PTSD

- Separation on primary endpoint at Week 12 did not cross pre-specified study continuation threshold at Week 12
- No safety or tolerability issue discovered
- Retrospective analyses showed Week 4 CAPS-5 (P=0.019) and CGI-I (P=0.015) scores in Tonmya group had a strong signal of treatment effect

#### HONOR dataset is complex and rich

- Serves to improve the next study design and increase the chance of success
- Additional retrospective analyses will be presented at an upcoming scientific meeting





\*Some patients experienced more than one trauma



# AtEase Study – Summary of Primary and Secondary Analyses (Week 12)



Assessment	Domain	Analysis	p-Values	
			2.8 mg (N=90)	5.6 mg (N=49)
CAPS-5	Total	MMRM (Primary Analysis)	0.259^	0.053
	Total	MMRM with Multiple Imputation	0.211	0.031*
	Total	MMRM w/ Hybrid LOCF/BOCF	0.172	0.037*
	Total	ANCOVA	0.090	0.038*
CAPS-5 clusters/items	Arousal & Reactivity cluster (E)	MMRM	0.141	0.048*
	Sleep item (E6)	MMRM	0.185	0.010*
	Exaggerated Startle item (E4)	MMRM	0.336	0.015*
CGI-I	Responders	Logistic Regression	0.240	0.041*
PGIC	Mean score	MMRM	0.075	0.035*
Sheehan Disability Scale	Work/school item	MMRM	0.123	0.050*
	Social/leisure item	MMRM	0.198	0.031*

BOCF, baseline observation carried forward; CGI-I, Clinical Global Impression - Improvement scale; LOCF, last observation carried forward; MMRM, mixed model repeated measures; PGIC, Patient Global Impression of Change ^Primary analysis p-value not significant comparing Tonmya 2.8 mg versus placebo \*p<0.05



## AtEase Study: Safety and Tolerability Profile



#### No serious adverse events reported with Tonmya deemed related to treatment

Systemic Adverse Events*	Placebo (N=94)	Tonmya 2.8 mg (N=93)	Tonmya 5.6 mg (N=50)	
Somnolence	6.4%	11.8%	16.0%	
Dry Mouth	10.6%	4.3%	16.0%	
Headache	4.3%	5.4%	12.0%	
Insomnia	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	
Sedation	1.1%	2.2%	12.0%	
Administration Site Reaction	15*			
Hypoaesthesia oral	2.1%	38.7%	36.0%	
Paraesthesia	3.2%	16.1%	4.0%	
Glossodynia	1.1%	3.2%	6.0%	

Trial completion rates: 73% placebo; 79% Tonmya 2.8 mg; 84% Tonmya 5.6 mg

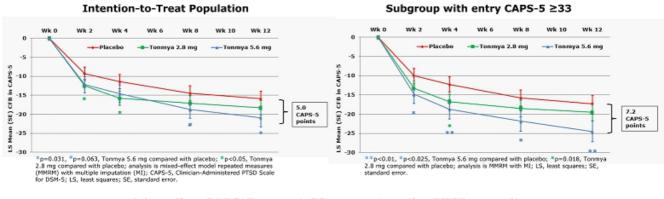
\*at rates of >5% in either drug-treated arm, Safety population N=237 © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



#### AtEase Study Total CAPS-5 for Intention-to-Treat Population and Retrospective Analysis for Subgroup with Entry CAPS-5 ≥33

#### CAPS-5 LS Total Score Mean Change from Baseline (CFB)

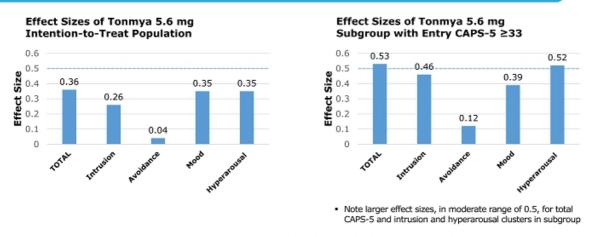
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#### A baseline CAPS-5 score ≥33 was set as the PTSD severity inclusion criterion in Phase 3 HONOR study

#### AtEase Study Effect Sizes for Total CAPS-5 and Symptom Clusters for Intention-to-Treat Population and Subgroup with Entry CAPS-5 ≥33

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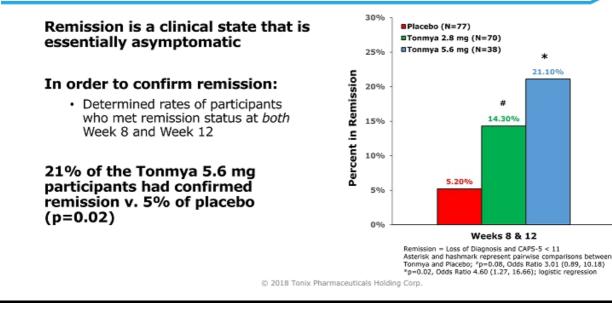


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#### AtEase Study Retrospective Analysis: Remission in Subgroup with Entry CAPS-5 ≥33









# Tonix is exploring a variety of options to commercialize TNX-102 SL, including commercializing on our own or partnering all or some indications in specific regions of the world.

#### Tonix has participated in numerous partnering meetings.

#### **Commercial Considerations:**

- Primary physician audience is well defined: psychiatrists (~30,000 in U.S.)
  - Small specialty sales force sufficient for coverage
- Primary market research with psychiatrists indicate strong interest in new therapeutic options

## TNX-102 SL – Multiple Potential Indications

#### Management of Fibromyalgia (FM) – chronic pain condition

 TNX-102 SL clinical development in FM was halted after near miss in Phase 3 at low dose (2.8 mg) – half the dose being developed for PTSD

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- Imbalance in "withdrawal of consent" led to statistical miss on responder analysis – a few TNX-102 SL treated patients "moved out of state"
- Average pain improvement (secondary endpoint) after 12 weeks of treatment showed statistical significance (P< 0.05)</li>
- Low dose TNX-102 SL (2.8 mg) showed an improvement in sleep quality in Phase 2 and Phase 3 FM trials

#### Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease

- Phase 2 IND cleared April 2018
- · Phase 2 study can be a pivotal efficacy study
- Fast Track designation granted July 2018



#### Outcomes

 Agitation is associated with significant poor outcomes for Alzheimer's patients and challenges for their caregivers

#### Common reason for institutionalization

 Development of agitation, or its worsening, is one of the most common reasons for patients having to transition from lower- to higher levels of care (nursing homes and other long-term care settings)<sup>1</sup>

#### Cost

 The presence of agitation nearly doubles the cost of caring for patients with Alzheimer's disease, and agitation is estimated to account for more than 12% of the healthcare and societal cost of Alzheimer's disease, which is currently estimated to be \$256 Billion for the year 2017 in the United States<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>The Alzheimer's Association, 2017 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures: <u>https://www.alz.org/facts/</u>

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#### Phase 2 IND cleared April 2018 Significant unmet need

• No FDA approved drugs for the treatment of agitation in Alzheimer's

#### Mechanism of improving sleep quality

· Sleep disturbance is a significant and common symptoms in Alzheimer's

# Pharmacological advantages outweigh potential concerns of using TNX-102 SL in treating agitation in Alzheimer's disease

- + Blocks 3 receptors, not just one (e.g.,  $5\text{-HT}_{2A}$ )
- Anti-muscarinic (M1) effect in patients on anticholinergics (e.g., donepezil and rivastigmine) possibly reduced with lower sublingual dose



#### Scientific Rationale for Developing TNX-102 SL for Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease

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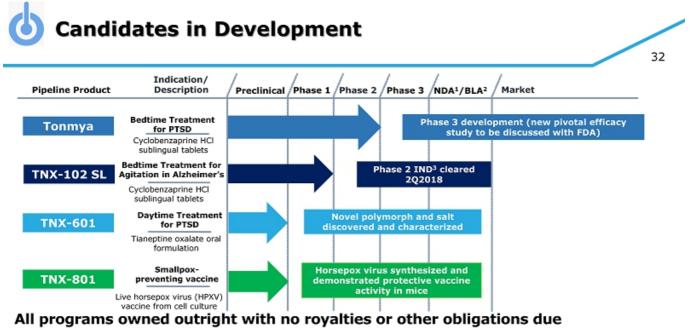
#### **Connection between Sleep Disturbance and Agitation**

- Agitation in Alzheimer's Disease is associated with sleep disturbance<sup>1,2</sup>
- Evidence that improving sleep could improve agitation<sup>3</sup>

#### Supported by Potential Mechanism of Action

- TNX-102 is a multifunctional agent including antagonism of 5-HT<sub>2A</sub>, α<sub>1</sub>-adrenergic and histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptors
- Certain 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> antagonists have shown clinical efficacy against agitation in dementia including trazodone<sup>4,5</sup>, and mirtazapine<sup>6</sup>
- The  $\alpha_1\text{-}adrenergic$  antagonist prazosin has shown efficacy in the treatment of agitation in dementia^7
- The histamine H<sub>1</sub> antagonist hydroxyzine had historical use in treating agitation in dementia<sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Bachmen, D. and Rabins, P. <u>Annu Rev Med.</u> 2006;57:499. <sup>2</sup>Rose, K et al. <u>Am J Alzheimers Dis Other Demen</u>, 2015 30(1):78. <sup>3</sup>Figueiro MG Sleep Med. 2014 15(12):1554-64. <sup>4</sup>Lebert F. et al. <u>Dement Geriatr Cogn Disord</u>, 2004:17(4):355. <sup>5</sup>Sulzer DL et al.<u>Am J Geriatr Psychiatry</u>, 1997 5(1):60. <sup>6</sup>Cakir S. et el., <u>Neuropsychiatr Dis Treat</u>, 2008 4(5):963. <sup>7</sup>Wang, LY et al., <u>Am J Geriatr Psychiatry</u>, 2009 17(9):744 <sup>8</sup>Settel E. Am <u>Pract Dig Treat</u>, 1957 8(10):1584. © 2018



<sup>1</sup>NDA- New Drug Application; <sup>2</sup>BLA –Biologic Licensing Application; <sup>3</sup>Investigational New Drug Application © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



# TNX-601 (Tianeptine Oxalate): A Potential Clinical Candidate for PTSD

Pre-IND Candidate	<ul> <li>Targeted as a 1<sup>st</sup> line monotherapy for PTSD: oral formulation for daytime dosing         <ul> <li>Leverages expertise in PTSD (clinical and regulatory experience, market analysis, etc.)</li> <li>Mechanism of Action (MOA) is different from Tonmya</li> </ul> </li> <li>Tianeptine sodium (amorphous) has been approved in EU, Russia, Asia and Latin America for depression since 1987 with established post-marketing experience</li> <li>Identified new oxalate salt polymorph with improved pharmaceutical properties ideal for reformulation</li> <li>Filed patent application on novel salt polymorph</li> <li>Issued patent on steroid-induced cognitive impairment and memory loss issues</li> </ul>
Targeting a Condition with Significant Unmet Need	<ul> <li>Clinical evidence for PTSD</li> <li>Several studies have shown tianeptine to be active in the treatment of PTSD<sup>1-4</sup></li> </ul>

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 <sup>2</sup> Rumyantseva GM and, Stepanov AL. Neurosci Behav Physiol. 2008 Jan;38(1):55-61. PMID: 18097761
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 <sup>4</sup> Onder E, et al. Eur Psychiatry. 2006 (3):174-9. PMID: 15964747
 <sup>6</sup> 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticais Holdino Corp.

# **TNX-801 (Synthesized Live Horsepox Virus):** A Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine Candidate

	<ul> <li>Potential improvement over current biodefense tools against smallpox</li> <li>✓ Leverages Tonix's government affairs effort</li> <li>✓ Collaboration with Professor David Evans and Dr. Ryan Noyce at University of Alberta</li> <li>✓ Demonstrated protective vaccine activity in mice</li> <li>✓ Patent application on novel vaccine submitted</li> <li>Regulatory strategy</li> </ul>		
Pre-IND Stage	<ul> <li>We intend to meet with FDA to discuss the most efficient and appropriate investigational plan to support the licensure, either:         <ul> <li>Application of the "Animal Rule", or</li> <li>Conducting an active comparator study using ACAM2000</li> </ul> </li> <li>Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) viral production process in development</li> </ul>		
Targeting a Potential Publi Health Issue	<ul> <li>Material threat medical countermeasure under 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act</li> <li>Qualifies for Priority Review Voucher* (PRV) upon licensure</li> <li>✓ PRVs have no expiration date, are transferrable and have sold for ~\$125 M</li> </ul>		

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<sup>1</sup>PRV can be applied to any BLA/NDA for priority 6-month review © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

# TNX-801 (Synthesized Live Horsepox Virus): A Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine Candidate



#### Synthesis<sup>1</sup> from sequence of a 1976 Mongolian isolate<sup>2</sup> In mice, TNX-801 behaved like attenuated vaccinia virus

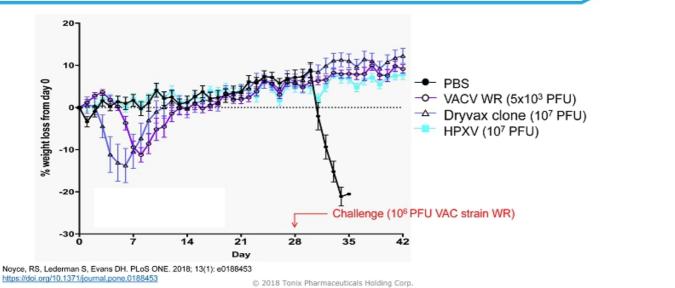
· Vaccinia is the term used to classify the live poxviruses that are used as smallpox vaccines, including ACAM2000, which is the latest smallpox vaccine licensed in the U.S.

#### How is HPXV related to modern vaccines?

- Multiple sources<sup>3-5</sup> indicate that the smallpox vaccine discovered by Dr. Edward Jenner in the early 19th century was either HPXV or a very similar virus and that vaccinia vaccines are derived from this ancestral strain
- A 1902 U.S. smallpox vaccine was found to be highly similar (99.7% similarity in core genome<sup>6</sup>) to HPXV sequence from the 1976 Mongolian isolate
- Horsepox is now believed to be extinct<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Noyce, RS, Lederman S, Evans DH. PLoS ONE. 2018; 13(1): e0188453 <u>https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0188453</u>
 <sup>2</sup> Tulman et al., Journal of Virology, 2005; 80(18): 9244-9258
 <sup>3</sup> Qin et al., Journal of Virology, 2011; 85(24):13049-13060
 <sup>4</sup> Medaglia et al., Journal of Virology, 2015; 89(23):11909-11925
 <sup>5</sup> Esparza J. Veterinary Record. 2013; 173: 272-273
 <sup>6</sup> Schrick, L. et al., N Engl J Med 2017; 377:1491-1492, <u>http://www.neim.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMc1707600</u>

### Biological Properties of HPXV: Less Virulent than a Dryvax Clone, but Produces Protective Immunity



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#### **Ongoing vaccination of U.S. troops**

· Troops in the Global Response Force

#### Threat of smallpox re-introduction

Strategic National Stockpile & public health policy

#### Re-emergence of monkey pox<sup>1</sup>

- · Believed to resurgent because of vaccinia-naïve populations in Africa
- · Multiple U.S. military operations ongoing in Africa

<sup>1</sup>Nda- Isaiah, J. Nigeria: Monkey Pox Scourge Spreads to Seven States. All Africa. 12 OCTOBER 2017, <u>HTTP://ALLAFRICA.COM/STORIES/201710120177.HTML</u> © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

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#### Potential for Use of HPXV as a Vector for Vaccines to Infectious Disease or Cancer

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#### Poxviruses like HPXV can be engineered to express foreign genes and are well recognized platforms for vaccine development

- Large packaging capacity for exogenous DNA inserts (i.e. encoding antigens)
- · Precise virus-specific control of exogenous gene insert expression
- Lack of persistence or genomic integration in the host
- · Strong immunogenicity as a vaccine
- · Ability to rapidly generate vector/insert constructs
- · Readily manufacture at scale
- · Live, replicating vaccine direct antigen presentation

#### Potential advantages of HPXV- strong immunogenicity with good tolerability



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#### Tonmya – Posttraumatic Stress Disorder

- ✓ July 2018 HONOR study discontinued− interim analysis result did not support study continuation
   □ August 2018 Presentation of HONOR study results at scientific meeting
- □ October 2018 Meet
- Presentation of HONOR study results at scientific meeting Meeting confirmed with FDA to finalize next pivotal study design



#### Phase 3 Breakthrough Therapy development for PTSD focused on militaryrelated PTSD

- · Major unmet need; ~11 million Americans affected
- Potential single-study NDA submission

#### New indication in development for agitation in Alzheimer's Disease

- · Unmet medical need, no approved drug available
- Phase 2 IND cleared in April 2018
- Fast Track designation granted in July 2018

#### **Complimentary day-time PTSD treatment in development**

· Leverages development expertise in PTSD, i.e., trial recruitment and execution

#### Innovative vaccine in development to prevent Smallpox

- · Opportunity to supply stockpiling requirement; short development path
- Studies in mice suggest improved safety profile © 2018 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

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## Thank you!