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March Quarterly Activities Report & Appendix 4C

The Company will host an investor conference call today at **12.00pm AEST** with Dr Thomas Duthy, Executive Director, details below

Invex Therapeutics Ltd (Invex, ASX:IXC, or **the Company**) a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialisation of Presendin[™] (sustained release Exenatide) for neurological conditions relating to raised intracranial pressure, is pleased to provide an operational and corporate update to accompany its Appendix 4C cash flow statement for the quarter ended 31 March 2022 (Q3 FY22).

Operational Update

IIH EVOVE Phase III Clinical Trial

During the quarter, Invex continued to advance the necessary preparative work for commencement of the global IIH EVOLVE Phase III clinical trial. The Company completed a number of key service contracts with third party vendors, including with a leading contract research organization as well as drug importation, packaging, labelling and distribution companies.

In addition, Invex is working closely with its manufacturing partner Peptron (KOSDAQ: 087010) and advisors to complete the necessary technical manufacturing and control documentation alongside a comprehensive review of non-clinical and clinical data for Exenatide in preparation for Invex's Clinical Trial Applications (CTAs) planned for the UK, Europe and the US during the June quarter.

The Company has also been actively engaging with potential clinical sites for participation in the IIH EVOLVE clinical trial. Progress has been excellent to date, with more than 40 centres identified. Invex aims to open approximately 37 clinical sites across the US, Europe, the UK, Australia, New Zealand and Israel.

Scientific Meeting Presentations and Peer Review

In February, two oral presentations relating to the Phase II Pressure trial in Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension (IIH) were given by Professor Alex Sinclair and Dr James Mitchell at the 48th Annual Meeting of the North American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society (NANOS) on 12-17 February 2022 in Austin, Texas. The oral abstract "A Randomized Controlled, Trial of the GLP-1 Receptor Agonist Exenatide in Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension" was subsequently awarded the best abstract by a resident at the NANOS meeting.

Conference presentations and 'podium presence' are key components of the peer review process, with Invex representatives at the NANOS meeting pleased with the interest and engagement from the neuro-ophthalmology community on the results of the Phase II Pressure trial and Invex's plans for the Phase III IIH EVOLVE clinical trial. Further presentations will be undertaken at the European Neuro-Ophthalmology Society (EUNOS) meeting in June in Birmingham, UK.

Corporate Update

Financial Summary and Analysis

The Company closed the quarter in a continued strong financial position with cash and cash equivalents of \$30.4 million (Q2 FY22: \$31.4 million), with overall cash outflows for the quarter of \$1.0 million (Q2 FY22: \$0.62 million).

Cash outflows from operating expenditure included:

- Product manufacturing & operating costs for the quarter of nil (Q2 FY22: \$0.14 million) represented the timing effect of initial purchases of Presendin[™] and placebo drug product from Invex's manufacturing partner Peptron in Q2 FY22. Additional purchases of drug product for Invex's Phase III trial are expected in subsequent periods as the Phase III trial ramps and patient recruitment increases.
- Research & Development expenditure for the quarter of \$0.67 million (versus \$0.33 million in Q2 FY22) reflected an increase in costs associated with the Company's contract research organisation managing the Phase III trial, along with clinical and regulatory consultants, and intellectual property costs related to Invex's patent and trademark portfolio. In addition, the Company incurred costs associated with direct R&D staff of \$0.16 million (versus \$0.12 million in Q2 FY22).
- Administration and corporate costs of \$0.21 million (versus \$0.23 million in Q2 FY22) decreased 9%. These costs include compliance costs associated with an ASX listed company, Director's fees, audit and legal costs.

Aggregate amounts paid to related parties of the Company and their associates included in the above costs were \$0.3 million for the quarter (versus \$0.27 million in Q2 FY22). This increase reflects the transition of Professor Alex Sinclair to an employee of Invex for three days per week and an increase to consulting fees of the Chairman Jason Loveridge, both announced to ASX on 31 January 2022.

Government grants and tax incentives were Nil compared to \$0.18 million received from the UK government for eligible FY21 R&D expenditure in Q2 FY22. As the Company is undertaking active R&D in Australia with the Phase III trial, Australian government R&D Tax Incentives are expected to be recognised in future financial years.

Cash outflows are expected to increase in subsequent periods as the Company commences recruitment for the Phase III IIH-EVOLVE trial. Notwithstanding the increase in cash utilisation in

subsequent periods, the Company is fully funded to complete this trial for Presendin™ registration purposes in the EU, UK and Australia from current cash reserves.

Investor Relations

In March, Invex presented at the Tech/Biotech Broker Briefing. Broker Briefing is one of Australia's premier digital broker and investor platform for leading ASX listed companies with over 6,000 members and 5,000 subscribers. The webcast is available on the Invex website at: <u>https://invextherapeutics.com/presentations/</u>.

In March, MST Access initiated equity research on the Company, with a valuation of \$3.38 per share. This issuer sponsored research was undertaken by healthcare and biotech equities analyst Chris Kallos. The MST Access offering includes full research coverage, equity research briefs, showcase events, firmwide access and distribution network into institutional & other investors. A copy of the research is available at: <u>https://invextherapeutics.com/analyst-reports/</u>

Invex has also provided an update to its Fact Sheet as at April 2022, which is available on the Company's website at: <u>https://invextherapeutics.com/fact-sheets/</u>.

Investor Conference Call

The Company will host an investor conference call today at 12.00pm AEST with Dr Thomas Duthy, Executive Director.

Details of the call are set out below.

In order to pre-register for the conference call and avoid a queue when calling, please follow the link below. You will be given a unique pin number to enter when you call which will bypass the operator and give you immediate access to the event. Investors are advised to register for the conference in advance by using the Diamond Pass link to avoid delays in joining the call directly through the operator:

https://s1.c-conf.com/diamondpass/10021298-agsy6w.html

Alternatively, you may dial in with the following details, approximately five minutes before the scheduled start time and provide the Conference ID to an operator.

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About Invex Therapeutics Ltd

Invex is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the repurposing of an already approved drug, Exenatide, for efficacious treatment of neurological conditions derived from or involving raised intracranial pressure, such as Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension (IIH), acute stroke and traumatic brain injury. Invex has trademarked its repurposed Exenatide as Presendin[™]. www.invextherapeutics.com.

About Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension (IIH)

IIH features severely raised intracranial pressure which causes disabling daily headaches and can compress the optic nerve. The usual age of onset is 20-30 years, and it is most common in women who are obese. IIH is a rapidly growing orphan indication: its incidence has increased by more than 350% in the last 10 years.

About Presendin™

Presendin[™] is a once per week, sub-cutaneous, sustained-release (SR) Exenatide microsphere formulation originally developed by Peptron, Inc. (KOSDAQ: 087010). In September 2021 Invex entered into an exclusive collaboration, manufacturing and supply agreement with Peptron for Presendin[™] in IIH for all major markets, with the exception of South Korea.

Exenatide is a small peptide and a synthetic version of the GLP-1 agonist exendin-4, which is currently approved for the treatment of type 2 diabetes. In 2017, Invex received orphan drug designation for Exenatide in IIH from the US Food and Drug Administration and European Medicines Agency.