UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH ZAPPIA, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

MYOVANT SCIENCES LTD., MYOVANT SCIENCES, INC., SUMITOMO PHARMA AMERICA, INC., TERRIE CURRAN, MARK GUINAN, DAVID MAREK, NANCY VALENTE, and MATTHEW LANG,

Defendants.

Case No. 23-cv-

COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS

CLASS ACTION

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiff Joseph Zappia ("Plaintiff") individually and on behalf of all others similarly-situated, by the undersigned attorneys, alleges as follows based (i) upon personal knowledge with respect to Plaintiff's own acts, and (ii) upon information and belief as to all other matters based on the investigation conducted by Plaintiff's attorneys, which included, among other things, a review of relevant U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings, and other publicly available information. Plaintiff believes that substantial, additional evidentiary support will exist for the allegations set forth herein after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This class action is brought by Plaintiff individually and on behalf of the Class (as defined below) against Myovant Sciences, Ltd. ("Myovant" or the "Company"); Myovant Sciences, Inc. ("Myovant U.S."); Sumitomo Pharma America, Inc. ("Sumitomo Pharma

¹ All emphasis in any quoted language below is added, unless otherwise noted.

America"), and the former members of the Company's Board ("Board"), for violations of Sections 14(a) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 78n(a) and § 78t(a), and SEC Rule 14a-9 promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. § 240.14a-9(a) ("Rule 14a-9").

- 2. Myovant is a biopharmaceutical company that has developed and commercialized drugs to treat prostate cancer in men, and uterine fibroids and endometriosis in women.
- 3. On October 23, 2022, Myovant, Myovant U.S., Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd. ("Sumitomo Pharma"), and Sumitomo Pharma's wholly-owned subsidiary, Sumitovant Biopharma Ltd. ("Sumitovant"), issued a joint press release ("October 23 Press Release") announcing that Sumitovant had agreed to acquire all of the outstanding common shares of Myovant that Sumitovant did not already own for \$27.00 per share in cash ("Merger Consideration") via a merger transaction ("Merger").
- 4. As of October 23, 2022, Sumitovant already beneficially owned approximately 52% of the outstanding common shares of Myovant, and was itself a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Pharma, a pharmaceutical company located in and organized under the laws of Japan. As of October 3, 2022, Sumitomo Pharma was, in turn, a 51.76% owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Chemical Co., Ltd. ("Sumitomo Chemical"), a Japanese manufacturer of chemicals, plastics, pharmaceuticals and other products, that is publicly traded on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. As a result of Sumitomo Chemical's 51.76% ownership interest in Sumitomo Pharma, Sumitomo Chemical (along with Sumitomo Pharma) appeared as a Reporting Person on the Schedule 13D/A, dated October 23, 2022, disclosing Sumitovant's approximately 52% ownership interest in Myovant.
- 5. On January 23, 2023, Defendants authorized the filing of a false and misleading definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A ("Proxy") with the SEC, in violation of Sections 14(a)

and 20(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9, with the aim of soliciting public Myovant shareholders holding a minority of Myovant's common shares ("Minority Myovant Shareholders") to vote in favor of the Merger ("Stockholder Vote") at a special meeting of Myovant shareholders held on March 1, 2023. The Proxy advised Minority Myovant Shareholders that "[y]our vote is very important, regardless of the number of Myovant common shares you own," and that "[t]he Merger cannot be completed unless . . . approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of (i) a majority of the issued and outstanding Myovant common shares entitled to vote on the Merger . . . and (ii) a majority of the outstanding Myovant common shares held by Myovant's shareholders other than Sumitovant or its affiliates [i.e., a majority of Minority Myovant Shareholders]." In other words, the Merger was expressly conditioned on approval of a majority of the Minority Myovant Shareholders.

- 6. The Proxy advised that Sumitomo Pharma had obtained debt financing to consummate the Merger from Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation ("Sumitomo Banking") in the form of a senior unsecured term loan facility in an aggregate amount of Japanese Yen equivalent to \$1.7 billion (which was the total sum necessary to pay \$27.00 per share in cash to all Minority Myovant Shareholders and holders of various equity-based awards, repay certain indebtedness of Myovant, and pay the costs and expenses related to the Merger).
- 7. The Proxy contained material misrepresentations and omissions that rendered the Proxy false and misleading in violation of Sections 14(a) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9, and misled a majority of Minority Myovant Shareholders into voting to approve the Merger on March 1, 2023, at a price that was less than Myovant's full and fair value. Specifically, the Proxy stated that the special committee ("Special Committee") formed by the Board to negotiate the Merger with Sumitovant retained Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP ("Skadden") on

June 28, 2022, as its legal advisor "based on, among other things, Skadden's qualifications, experience and reputation and *the absence of conflicts on the part of Skadden*."

- 8. The statement in the Proxy that Skadden did not have any conflicts was false. As further detailed below, when Skadden was retained by the Special Committee it was already simultaneously representing Sumitomo Banking and other Japanese companies affiliated with Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical (the "Skadden Conflicts"). Since the experience and expertise of a legal advisor to a special committee puts the legal advisor in a position to strongly influence the choices and decision making of the committee's members, there is a substantial likelihood that reasonable Minority Myovant Shareholders would have considered disclosure of the Skadden Conflicts—with their potential to affect the vigor of Skadden's advocacy on behalf of the Special Committee—as significantly altering the total mix of information made available to them. Thus, Defendants were obligated to disclose the Skadden Conflicts to Minority Myovant Shareholders so that such shareholders could decide for themselves how much weight to assign to such conflicts when deciding how to vote with respect to the Merger.
- 9. In particular, since Sumitomo Banking presumably stands to earn substantial profits from financing the Merger—and would have lost that opportunity had the Special Committee rejected Sumitovant's "best and final offer"—reasonable Minority Myovant Shareholders would have been concerned that Skadden's concurrent and recent past legal representations of Sumitomo Banking influenced Skadden to skew its advice to the Special Committee heavily towards consummating the Merger even at a suboptimal price, instead of rejecting Sumitovant's "best and final offer" of \$27.00 per share (which was at the low end of the fairness range determined by the Special Committee's financial advisor, Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC ("Goldman"), and lower than the \$29.50 per share Sumitovant would have been willing to pay for Myovant based on valuations

of Myovant prepared by Sumitovant's financial advisor, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("J.P. Morgan")).

- 10. That the Skadden Conflicts influenced the vigor of Skadden's advocacy and caused it to support a transaction with Sumitovant at a suboptimal price is apparent from the Proxy itself. As detailed below, the Special Committee was expressly empowered to consider alternative transactions with other third parties. Yet, despite its conflicts, Skadden actively participated in discussions that persuaded the Special Committee to decline to conduct a robust market check to determine Myovant's true value by reaching out to other third parties who might potentially be interested in acquiring Myovant. In fact, another potential acquiror—identified in the Proxy as Company A—expressed interest in a transaction with Myovant. But after concluding in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden that it would not reach out to any third parties, the Special Committee did not treat Company A's overture seriously, declining to even sign a non-disclosure agreement with Company A. Instead, in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee adopted a controlled mindset pursuant to which it viewed a deal with Sumitovant—or saying "no" to Sumitovant and remaining independent—as the only two options on the table. This controlled mindset sharply reduced the Special Committee's negotiating leverage with Sumitovant since Sumitovant knew that there were no competing bids. And while Sumitovant had publicly stated it was not interested in an alternative transaction, the Special Committee—in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden—elected not to test Sumitovant's resolve by actively soliciting interest from other third parties when it had the authority and opportunity to do so.
- 11. Based on the valuations of Myovant conducted by J.P. Morgan, Sumitovant would have been willing to pay as high as \$29.50 per share for Myovant if only the Special Committee

had increased its negotiating leverage by soliciting competing bids. Instead, in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee elected not to reach out to third parties, which deprived the Special Committee of negotiating leverage it could have used to secure a higher price from Sumitovant. Thus, the Skadden Conflicts caused a loss in value to Minority Myovant Shareholders. Accordingly, on behalf of Minority Myovant Shareholders, this action seeks damages from Defendants arising from their false statement in the Proxy that Skadden had no conflicts, which concealed the Skadden Conflicts from Minority Myovant Shareholders when they voted in favor of the Merger on March 1, 2023.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 12. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the claims asserted herein for violations of Sections 14(a) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act pursuant to Section 27 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78aa, and 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question jurisdiction).
- defendant has sufficient minimum contacts with the United States to make the exercise of jurisdiction by this Court permissible under traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice. See Moon Joo Yu v. Premiere Power LLC, No. 14 CIV. 7588 KPF, 2015 WL 4629495, at *5 (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 4, 2015) (because Exchange Act provides for nationwide service of process, and Defendant . . . conducts business within the United States, he should reasonably anticipate being hauled into court in the United States, and Court's exercise of personal jurisdiction over Defendant with respect to Plaintiffs' securities fraud claim is proper); In re LIBOR-Based Fin. Instruments Antitrust Litig., No. 11 MDL 2262 NRB, 2015 WL 6243526, at *23 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 20, 2015) ("[w]hen the jurisdictional issue flows from a federal statutory grant that authorizes suit under federal-question jurisdiction and nationwide service of process . . . Second Circuit has consistently

held that the minimum-contacts test in such circumstances looks to contacts with the entire United States rather than with the forum state.").

14. Venue is proper in this District under 15 U.S.C. § 78aa(a) because an act or transaction constituting the violations alleged herein occurred in this District. Specifically, Myovant's stock traded under the ticker "MYOV" on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), which is headquartered in this District. *See Avalon Holdings Corp. v. Gentile*, 2019 WL 4640206, at *4 (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 24, 2019) (venue proper for Exchange Act claim in Southern District of New York under 15 U.S.C. § 78aa(a) because stock traded on the NYSE) (citing *United States v. Svoboda*, 347 F.3d 471, 484 n.13 (2d Cir. 2003)). Further, as a result of the Merger, Myovant became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sumitovant, and Sumitovant has a principal place of business address at 151 W. 42nd Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10036.

PARTIES

- 15. As per the PSLRA Certification annexed hereto, Plaintiff was a continuous stockholder of Myovant common stock at all relevant times.
- 16. Defendant Myovant is a Bermuda corporation with its principal executive offices located at 7th Floor, 50 Broadway, London, SW1H 0DB, United Kingdom. As a result of the Merger, Myovant became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sumitovant, which has a principal office address at 151 W. 42nd Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10036.
- 17. Defendant Myovant U.S. is a Delaware corporation wholly owned by Myovant with offices at 2000 Sierra Point Parkway, Brisbane, CA 94005. According to the Proxy, all of Myovant's executives (including David Marek) were not employees of Myovant, but instead were employees of Myovant U.S., and provided services to Myovant pursuant to an intercompany services agreement.

- 18. Defendant Sumitomo Pharma America is a Delaware corporation with a principal place of business at 55 Cambridge Parkway Suite 102W Cambridge, MA 02142. On April 3, 2023, Sumitovant announced that, effective July 1, 2023, Sumitomo Pharma would combine Sumitovant and its wholly owned U.S. subsidiaries—including Myovant—to form Sumitomo Pharma America ("Consolidation"). On July 10, 2023, Sumitomo Pharma America announced that the Consolidation had been effectuated. The "About Us" page of Sumitomo Pharma America's website states that "[o]ur parent company, Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd. . . . is a member of the Sumitomo Group, which has a history of about 400 years."
- 19. Defendant Terrie Curran ("Curran") served as a member of the Board and as a member of the Special Committee at all relevant times.
- 20. Defendant Mark Guinan ("Guinan") served as a member of the Board and as Chairman of the Special Committee at all relevant times. Guinan signed the Proxy in his capacity as Chairman of the Special Committee.
- 21. Defendant David Marek ("Marek") served as Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of Myovant, and as a member of the Board at all relevant times. Marek signed the Proxy in his capacity as CEO of Myovant.
- 22. Defendant Nancy Valente ("Valente") served as a member of the Board and as a member of the Special Committee at all relevant times.
- 23. Defendant Matthew Lang ("Lang") served as the General Counsel of Myovant at all relevant times. Lang signed the Proxy in his capacity as General Counsel and Secretary of Myovant.

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² See https://www.us.sumitomo-pharma.com/about-us/index.html (last visited on: August 20, 2023)

24. Defendants identified in paragraphs 19 to 23 are collectively referred to herein as the "Individual Defendants," and together with Myovant and Myovant U.S., collectively, the "Defendants."

RELEVANT NON-PARTIES

- 25. Sumitovant is a pharmaceutical company organized under the laws of Bermuda with a principal office address at 151 W. 42nd Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10036. As of October 23, 2022, Sumitovant beneficially owned approximately 52% of the outstanding common shares of Myovant, and was itself a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Pharma. As a result of the Merger, Sumitovant acquired 100% of Myovant. Pursuant to the Consolidation, Sumitovant was combined with other wholly owned subsidiaries of Sumitomo Pharma (including Myovant) to form Sumitomo Pharma America.
- 26. Sumitovant's operating entity is Sumitovant Biopharma, Inc. ("SBI"), a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitovant. SBI's principal office address is also 151 West 42nd Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10036.
- 27. Sumitomo Pharma is a pharmaceutical company organized under the laws of Japan that, as of October 23, 2022, was a 51.76% owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Chemical, a Japanese manufacturer of chemicals, plastics, pharmaceuticals, and other products.
- 28. Sumitomo Chemical is publicly-traded on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. As of September 30, 2022:
 - 4.34% of Sumitomo Chemical was owned by Sumitomo Life Insurance Company ("Sumitomo Life")
 - 1.77% of Sumitomo Chemical was owned by Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Ltd Retrust Account/Sumitomo Life Employee Pension Trust Account), and
 - 1.41% of Sumitomo Chemical was owned by Sumitomo Banking

- 29. Sumitomo Pharma, Sumitomo Chemical, Sumitomo Life, and Sumitomo Banking are all members of the Sumitomo Group of Companies ("Sumitomo Group"). The Sumitomo Group is one of the leading *keiretsu* in Japan. *Keiretsu* are networks of Japanese businesses connected by cross-shareholdings and informal business relations, which typically feature a bank that lends funds to other companies in the *keiretsu*. Those features are present here with Sumitomo Banking providing the funds necessary for Sumitomo Pharma (a Sumitomo Group member) to consummate the Merger, and Sumitomo Banking owning an equity stake in Sumitomo Chemical (also a Sumitomo Group member, and the parent of Sumitomo Pharma).
- 30. Members of the Sumitomo Group act in concert through the Sumitomo Group Public Affairs Committee, which engages in public relations activities to enhance public trust in the members of the Sumitomo Group, including publication of a quarterly newsletter. The Winter 2023 issue included remarks from Keiichi Iwata, Representative Director and President of *Sumitomo Chemical*, and Makoto Takashima, President, and CEO of *Sumitomo Banking*.
- 31. Adele M. Gulfo ("Gulfo") served as a member of the Board at all relevant times. Gulfo also served as Chief Commercial and Business Development Officer of Sumitovant at all relevant times.
- 32. Shigeyuki Nishinaka ("Nishinaka") served as a member of the Board at all relevant times. Nishinaka also served as a member of the board of directors of Sumitomo Pharma at all relevant times.
- 33. Myrtle Potter ("Potter") served as Chairperson of the Board at all relevant times.

 Potter also served as CEO of Sumitovant at all relevant times.

SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

Myovant's Business

- 34. Myovant is a biopharmaceutical company that has completed multiple successful Phase 3 clinical trials of drugs addressing hormone-sensitive conditions (i.e., prostate cancer in men, and uterine fibroids and endometriosis in women) resulting in multiple regulatory approvals in the United States and Europe for three drugs: ORGOVYX, MYFEMBREE, and RYEQO. A second promising drug candidate for treatment of infertility—MVT-602—is presently in development.
- 35. Myovant's three commercialized drugs are based on a molecule called "relugolix" that suppresses the release of sexual hormones such as testosterone, estrogen, and progesterone. ORGOVYX—used to treat prostate cancer in men—consists solely of relugolix, while MYFEMBREE and RYEQO—used to treat uterine fibroids and endometriosis in women—are combination tablets that consist of relugolix, and two other compounds: estradiol and norethindrone acetate. MYFEMBREE is the brand name of the combination tablet in the United States, and RYEQO is the brand name of the combination tablet in Europe.
- 36. On December 18, 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") approved ORGOVYX for the treatment of adult patients with advanced prostate cancer.
- 37. On December 28, 2020, Myovant announced a collaboration and licensing agreement with Pfizer, Inc. ("Pfizer") to develop and commercialize relugolix in the United States and Canada for the treatment of prostate cancer, uterine fibroids, and endometriosis. The agreement provided for, among other things, Myovant to receive up to \$4.2 billion in milestone payments based on regulatory approvals and sales targets, plus an equal share of the profits. Under the agreement, in early 2021, Pfizer and Myovant began promoting ORGOVYX for the treatment

of prostate cancer in the United States.

- 38. On May 26, 2021, the FDA approved MYFEMBREE for the treatment of uterine fibroids. Thereafter, in mid-June 2021, Myovant and Pfizer launched MYFEMBREE in the U.S.
- 39. On July 16, 2021, the European Commission approved RYEQO for the treatment of symptoms of uterine fibroids in Europe. Myovant collaborated with Gedeon Richter on the commercial launch of RYEQO in Europe in the second half of 2021.
- 40. In October 2022, Myovant and Accord Healthcare, Ltd. launched ORGOVYX for the treatment of prostate cancer in Europe.

Sumitovant Acquires a Controlling Stake in Myovant

41. In December 2019, Sumitovant acquired a majority of the shares in Myovant. In connection with the acquisition (i) Myovant and Sumitomo Pharma entered into a \$400 million unsecured revolving debt financing agreement with Sumitomo Pharma as the lender ("Sumitomo Pharma Financing Agreement"), and (ii) Myovant, Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma entered into an investor rights agreement that prohibited Sumitovant, Sumitomo Pharma and/or Sumitomo Chemical from acquiring all or substantially all of Myovant's assets without, *inter alia*, the approval of a majority of the Minority Myovant Shareholders.

Sumitovant Proposes to Acquire Myovant

42. On April 4, 2022, Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma submitted a letter to the Board requesting access to information concerning Myovant's business to conduct due diligence in connection with a potential proposal to acquire the remaining common shares of Myovant that Sumitovant did not already own. The letter advised that any transaction following such proposal would be subject to, *inter alia*, a non-waivable condition requiring the approval of a majority of Minority Myovant Shareholders.

Formation of the Special Committee

- 43. On April 28, 2022, the Board formed the Special Committee, which consisted of Guinan, Curran and Valente (with Guinan serving as Chairman). The Special Committee was empowered to "(i) review and evaluate any proposal from Sumitovant or its affiliates in order to make a recommendation to the Board regarding whether Myovant should seek to engage in a potential transaction with Sumitovant; (ii) if it determined that Myovant should seek to engage in a potential transaction with Sumitovant, negotiate the terms of such transaction and make a recommendation to the full Board regarding whether Myovant should enter into such transaction; (iii) *identify, review and evaluate available alternatives to a potential transaction with Sumitovant*, including remaining a separate company; and (iv) recommend to the Board what further actions, if any, should be taken with respect to a potential transaction with Sumitovant or any alternative thereto."
- 44. The same day, the Special Committee approved the engagement of (i) Goldman as its financial advisor; (ii) Cooley LLP ("Cooley") as its U.S. counsel; and (iii) Conyers Dill and Pearman Limited ("Conyers") as its Bermuda counsel, after first determining that such advisors "were not disqualified from being engaged by the Special Committee by virtue of any *potential conflicts of interest* with respect to a potential transaction with Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma]."
- 45. On May 21, 2022, the Special Committee provided Sumitovant with a subset of the due diligence information it had requested, and authorized Myovant management to provide additional due diligence information to Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma.

The Skadden Conflicts

46. On June 28, 2022, the Special Committee determined to replace Cooley with

Skadden as its counsel. The Proxy advises that the Special Committee "determined to retain Skadden to serve as counsel to the Special Committee, based on, among other things, Skadden's qualifications, experience and reputation and *the absence of conflicts on the part of Skadden*."

- 47. Unbeknownst to Minority Myovant Stockholders, however, the statement that there was an "absence of conflicts on the part of Skadden" to serve as legal advisor to the Special Committee was blatantly false because of the Skadden Conflicts arising out of Skadden's concurrent and recent past representation of other members of the Sumitomo Group keiretsu in significant transactions:
 - On April 27, 2023—less than two months after the Merger closed—Jefferies Financial Group, Inc. ("Jefferies"), Sumitomo Banking, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. ("SuMi Finance") and SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. ("Sumitomo Nikko") announced an expansion of their strategic alliance to collaborate on future corporate and investment banking business opportunities, as well as in equity sales, trading, and research. Among other things, Sumitomo Banking agreed to increase its ownership stake in Jefferies up to 15% (representing a financial commitment of \$3.4 billion, including financing previously provided by Sumitomo Banking to Jefferies in 2021). Skadden served as legal advisor to Sumitomo Banking, SuMi Finance and Sumitomo Nikko (a continuation of Skadden's legal representation of Sumitomo Banking, Sumitomo Nikko, and SuMi Finance when they first announced a strategic alliance with Jefferies on July 14, 2021, to collaborate on future corporate and investment banking business opportunities).
 - On June 28, 2022—the same day that the Special Committee retained Skadden—Marathon Capital announced that it had entered into a strategic collaboration with Sumitomo Banking to provide joint clients with comprehensive strategic and financial support to facilitate their global energy transition goals. Skadden served as a legal advisor to Sumitomo Banking in connection with the collaboration.
 - On July 6, 2022—just over a week after the Special Committee retained Skadden—Apollo and Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiary Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited (collectively, "SuMi Trust"), announced a strategic partnership pursuant to which SuMi Trust committed to invest \$1.5 billion alongside Apollo in a portfolio of alternative assets. Skadden served as legal advisor to SuMi Trust in connection with the partnership.
 - On October 12, 2022, Socionext completed its IPO on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Skadden advised Sumitomo Nikko as international joint lead manager in the listing and the IPO.
 - On May 18, 2021, Skadden announced that it had advised the underwriters on Sumitomo

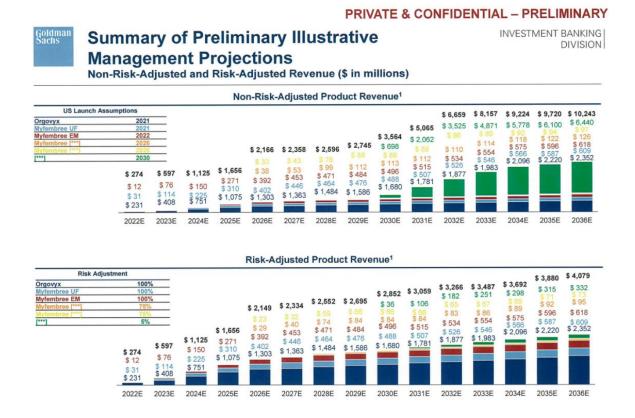
Life's offering of \$920 million in step-up callable subordinated notes due 2081.

The Proxy explained that "[w]hile the Special Committee did not believe that 48. Cooley was disqualified from acting as its legal counsel by virtue of any potential conflicts of interest related to Cooley's prior or ongoing representation of Myovant, the Special Committee determined to retain Skadden as legal counsel for the potential transaction with Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma] based on Skadden's qualifications, experience and reputation in providing legal advice in connection with situations involving the type of transaction that Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma] indicated they were considering." Cooley's website, however, indicates that Cooley also had the qualifications, experience, and reputation to advise the Special Committee in connection with negotiating a transaction with Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma. For example, Cooley has over 900 private and public biotechnology clients, including a representation in 2018 pursuant to which Cooley advised the "special committee of the board of directors of Crown Bioscience International, a global drug discovery and development services company on its merger agreement with JSR Corporation, headquartered in Tokyo, Japan." As such, considering the Skadden Conflicts, it is very odd that the Special Committee abruptly decided to work with Skadden instead of Cooley (which had similar qualifications but did not appear to have similar conflicts).

Preparation of Myovant Projections

49. On June 28, 2022, Myovant's management and the Special Committee reviewed preliminary illustrative financial projections ("Initial Projections") for Myovant that, at the request of the Special Committee, had been prepared by management based on preliminary five-year projections ("March 2022 Five-Year Projections") that management had previously presented to the Board in March 2022 as part of Myovant's regular long-range planning process.

- 50. On July 7, 2022, the Special Committee met with members of Myovant management, and Goldman and Skadden, to discuss the Initial Projections.
- 51. On July 26, 2022, the Special Committee met with members of Myovant management, and Goldman and Skadden, to discuss information provided to Sumitovant in connection with its ongoing due diligence, and to review the assumptions underlying the Initial Projections. Goldman also advised the Special Committee that it had been advised by Sumitovant's financial advisor, J.P. Morgan, that Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma would only proceed to make a proposal after Myovant and Pfizer received a decision from the FDA regarding approval of MYFEMBREE for the treatment of endometriosis in pre-menopausal women.
- 52. On August 3, 2022, the Special Committee met with members of Myovant management, and Goldman and Skadden ("August 3 Meeting"), to discuss revised preliminary illustrative financial projections from 2022 to 2036 ("Revised Projections"), which superseded the Initial Projections and did not change after being presented to the Special Committee at the August 3 Meeting. At the August 3 Meeting, Goldman shared a presentation ("August 3 Goldman Presentation") with multiple analyses ("August 3 Goldman Analyses").
- 53. Among the August 3 Goldman Analyses was a slide showing the Revised Projections (on a non-risk adjusted and risk-adjusted basis) (as depicted in the following table annexed as an exhibit to the Rule 13e-3 Transaction Statement ("Transaction Statement") filed with the SEC on December 8, 2022, by Sumitomo Pharma and Myovant):



54. Another analysis in the August 3 Goldman Presentation itemized key assumptions underlying the Revised Projections, including price increases and volume growth (as depicted in the following two tables in the August 3 Goldman Presentation annexed to the Transaction Statement):

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Preliminary Illustrative Assumptions for Management Projections (1 of 2)

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Annual Price Increase	3%	3%				
Volume Growth	~11% in FY2027E; stepped down to ~3% by FY2036E	~8% in FY2027E; ~2% after FY2027E		~45% in FY2027E; ~33% in FY2028E – FY2030E; ~5% in FY2031E – FY2032E; 0% growth in FY2033E – FY2036E		Revenue begins in FY2030E growing ~54%
Gross-to-Net Price	~44% in FY2023E increasing to ~48% in FY2026E and increasing to ~52% in 2036E	~50% in FY2023E increasing to ~55% in FY2026E and increasing to ~62% in FY2036E	~50% in FY2023E increasing to ~55% in FY2026E and increasing to ~62% in FY2036E	~40% in FY2023E increasing to ~69% in FY2036E		on average per year through FY2036E
Probability of Success	100%	100%	100%	75%	75%	5%
		US Non-Ris	sk-Adjusted Product Rev	renue (\$ mm)		
Analyst Median 2026E	\$588	\$192	\$139	-	-	-
Management 2026E	\$1,303	\$402	\$392	\$38	\$30	\$0
Management Peak (2036E)	\$2,352	\$609	\$618	\$126	\$97	\$6,440

Source: Management Projections

Note Management Projections are preliminary and illustrative only, are based on a number of assumptions, are made only as of this date, and are subject to further review and adjustment. Actual results may differ materially based on changes in these assumptions and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including those set forth in the Company's public filings. Revisions to assumptions and forecasts may be appropriate following review by, and inject from, the Speedic Committee.

E-US revenue for [*] and [***] are not included in management's projections.



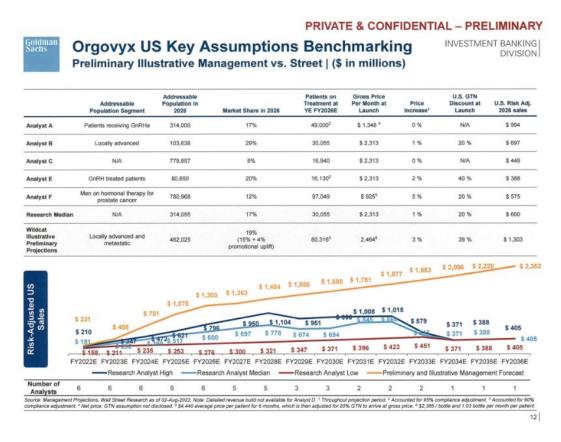
Preliminary Illustrative Assumptions for Management Projections (2 of 2)

INVESTMENT BANKING DIVISION

Collaboration Revenue	 Pfizer: Terms based on signed collaboration agreement; aggregate of up to \$2.3bn of development and sales milestones estimated through FY2036E Accord: Terms based on signed collaboration agreement and ex-US Orgovyx revenue projections from Project Althena projections; aggregate of \$0.3bn or royalties and milestones through FY2036E with additional \$50mm upfront payment accounted for in cash balance Gedeon Richter: Terms based on signed collaboration agreement and ex-US Myfembree revenue projections provided by Gedeon Richter through FY203 Beyond FY2030E revenue assumed to grow 3% YoY FY2030E-FY2032E, consistent with 2029 revenue growth, and 1% YoY FY203E-FY2036E; aggreg of \$0.3bn of royalties and milestones through FY2036E Takeda: Royalties receivable of [***]% from Takeda in certain Asian countries not reflected within forecast due to immateriality and lack of reliable estimate 		
Cost Assumptions	COGS (% Net Revenues): 3.0% for non-[***] indications in all projected years, consistent with approach in Wildcat latest LRP; [***] COGS per Wildcat latest [***] projections (15% of net [***] revenue) SG&A (% Net Revenues): beyond FY2026E is projected as 16% of non-[***] revenue, consistent with FY2026E margin in Wildcat latest LRP; [***] SG&A expense per Wildcat latest [***] projections (6% net [***] revenue in 2036E) R&D (% of Net Revenues): beyond FY2026E is projected as 2% increase in non-[***] R&D spending to adjustment for inflation; [***] R&D expense per Wildcat latest [***] projections (\$75mm cumulative R&D expense) Takeda Royalty: [***]% of Orgovyx and [***]% of Myfembree product revenue booked by Wildcat Collaboration Expense to Pfizer. 50% of gross profit, after taking Takeda royalty into account (royalties receivable of [***]% from Takeda in certain Asian countries not reflected within forecast due to immateriality and lack of reliable estimates)		
Cash Flow Items	Working Capital: Estimated to be 5% of change in product sales Capital Expenditures: \$2.4mm per year over projection period, consistent with Wildcat preliminary LRP available until FY2026E Depreciation: \$1.4mm per year throughout entire projection period, consistent with Wildcat preliminary LRP available until FY2026E		
Tax	14% corporate effective tax rate based on Wildcat guidance NOLs and R&D Tax Credits \$1,027mm of NOLs available for utilization per latest Wildcat filings Assumes accumulation and use of \$2mm R&D tax credit each year per Wildcat input		
Capitalization	 Shares Outstanding: Capitalization as of 12-Jul-2022 per management 95.72mm common shares outstanding 5.9mm options outstanding with a weighted average strike price of \$10.82¹; 7.3mm RSUs; 0.9mm PSUs, 0.05mm warrants at \$15.06 exercise price at 0.02mm warrants at \$18.82 exercise price Cash balance: \$359mm (per 30-Jun-2022 10Q, inclusive of \$50mm upfront payment from Accord partnership) Debt: \$359mm as of 30-Jun-2022 (loan from Sparrow matures in 2025) 		

Source: Management Projections Note: Management projections are preliminary and illustrative only, are based on a number of assumptions, are made only as of this date, and are subject to further review and adjustment. Actual

55. The first table above shows that the projections of Myovant's management were considerably more optimistic than the projections of Myovant's Wall Street analysts. This was because the assumptions of Myovant's management were more optimistic than those being modeled by analysts for a host of variables such as market share, patients on treatment and price increases for ORGOVYX and MYFEMBREE (as depicted in the following two tables included in the August 3 Goldman Presentation annexed to the Transaction Statement):



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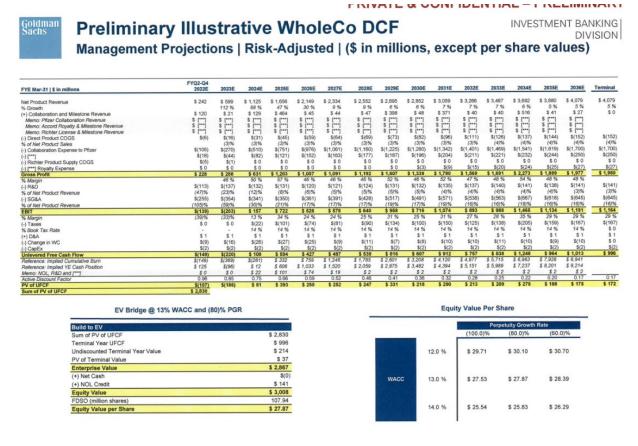
Goldma Sachs INVESTMENT BANKING Myfembree US Key Assumptions Benchmarking DIVISION Preliminary Illustrative Management vs. Street | (\$ in millions) Addressable Market Patients on Treatment at **Gross Price** U.S. GTN Addressable Per Month at Population in 2026 U.S. Adj. 2026 sales YE FY2026E Launch **Population Segment** 2026 Launch Price Increase¹ PoS N/A 3,009,000 18,000 \$ 750 2 % N/A \$ 179 Analyst A Refractory Mod / Sec Symptomatic Patients EM 427,000 3.50% \$ 765 2 % 15,000 UF 1,819,000 11% 50,023 \$ 975 1 % 25 % 100% \$ 185 Analyst B Total 1 -3L oral GnRH EM 282,612 20% 59.787 \$ 975 1 % 25 % 75% \$ 218 patients Hospitalization and Stepwise increase to reach \$948 in 2030 550.852 38,765 \$ 750 N/A 100% \$ 407 Analyst C EM N/A 798,722 6% 13,655 \$ 788 N/A reach \$948 in 2030 GnRH treated patients 104,241 33,774 \$ 1,078 37 % 100% \$ 166 Analyst E GnRH treated patients 40,877 42% \$ 1,100 70% \$ 90 1.500.000 25.176 \$ 778 20 % N/A \$ 300 Analyst F EM 2nd line patients 1,256,250 1% 16,600 \$ 777 5 % 20 % N/A \$ 200 1,500,000 38,774 Research Median UF \$ 778 2 % 25 % 100.0 % \$ 185 427,000 16,900 \$ 788 2 % 25 % 70.0 % \$ 149 UF LRP patient funnel Wildcat UF 1,592,599 10% 76,122 \$ 1.044 3 % 27% 100%6 \$ 402 analysis Illustrative EM LRP patient funnel Preliminary Projections EM 1,444,998 10% 74,460 3 % \$ 1.044 27% 100%6 \$ 392 analysis \$ 1,345 \$ 1,252 \$ 1,135 \$ 1,172 Risk-Adjusted US Sales² \$ 1,110 \$ 1,068 \$ 970 \$ 705 \$ 705 \$ 607 \$ 627 \$ 600 \$ 500 \$ 510 \$ 491 \$ 484 \$ 497 \$ 479 \$ 448 \$ 433 \$ 445 \$ 436 \$ 383 \$ 313 \$ 424 \$ 392 \$ 466 \$ 338 \$ 280 FY2022E FY2023E FY2024F FY2025F FY2026E FY2027E FY2028E FY2029E FY2030E FY2031E FY2032E FY2033E FY2034E FY2035E FY2036E Research Analyst High earch Analyst Median earch Analyst Low Preliminary and Illustrative Management Forecast

56. Another analysis in the August 3 Goldman Presentation provided valuation ranges for Myovant shares of \$25.54 to \$30.70 per share based on a discounted cash flow ("DCF") analysis of projected unlevered free cash flows from 2022 to 2036 derived from the Revised Projections (with cash flows discounted at rates of 12%-14%) (as depicted in the following table in the August 3 Goldman Presentation annexed to the Transaction Statement):

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Number of

Analysts



- 57. On August 5, 2022, after the markets closed, Myovant and Pfizer announced receipt of FDA approval for MYFEMBREE for the management of moderate to severe pain associated with endometriosis in pre-menopausal women. This was the second indication for which MYFEMBREE was approved for use in the United States (the first being for treatment of uterine fibroids).
- 58. Upon the news, Myovant's common stock increased 22.3% from a close of \$15.12 per share on August 5, 2022, to a close of \$18.49 per share on August 12, 2022.
- 59. On August 22, 2022, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden to review the Revised Projections ("August 22 Meeting"). The Special Committee instructed Goldman to use the Revised Projections in its analyses. As the Proxy confirms, "[t]he Revised Projections were used by Goldman with the Special Committee's approval for purposes of

preparing Goldman's financial analyses and fairness opinion provided to the Special Committee on October 23, 2022, in connection with the Special Committee's consideration of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement." Likewise, the Proxy also states that "the Revised Projections are the final projections that were made available to, and relied upon by, the Special Committee, the Myovant Board (other than the Sumitomo Directors) and Goldman in connection with their evaluation of the proposed transaction with Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma]."

In Consultation with Goldman and a Conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee <u>Determines Not to Reach Out to Potentially Interested Third Parties</u>

60. At the August 22 Meeting, the Special Committee also discussed with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, "the possibility of conducting outreach to potential third parties other than Sumitovant in advance of receiving a proposal from Sumitovant." Following such discussion, the Special Committee "determined *not* to reach out to third parties at that time." During such discussion, the Proxy states that the Special Committee considered, among other things:

the risk that Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma] would be unwilling to support a sale of Myovant to a third party which could make any outreach futile, the likelihood that few parties other than one of Myovant's current commercial partners would be interested in a transaction and the potential negative impact on Myovant and its relationships with third parties if such outreach were to become known, that the Special Committee could determine to reach out to third parties at a later time, and the expectation that any merger agreement that might ultimately be entered into with Sumitovant would be expected to allow the Special Committee to consider unsolicited inbound acquisition proposals that might be made.

61. The Special Committee's decision at the August 22 Meeting not to reach out to third parties—based on its discussions with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden—prevented Minority Myovant Shareholders from receiving full and fair value for their Myovant shares. The Special Committee had specifically been empowered to "identify, review and evaluate available alternatives to a potential transaction with Sumitovant." Yet, it summarily concluded—without any effort whatsoever to conduct a robust market check—that attempting to identify alternatives

would be "futile" considering Sumitovant's assertion that it and Sumitomo Pharma would not support an alternative transaction. The Special Committee could have easily tested the strength of that assertion by conducting a robust market check. And even if, as a practical matter, Sumitovant had the power to block any alternative transaction at a higher price, securing indications of interest at higher prices from third parties through a robust market check would have dramatically improved the Special Committee's negotiating leverage to extract a higher price from Sumitovant. Indeed, the August 5, 2022, approval of the FDA to use MYFEMBREE to treat endometriosis provided the Special Committee with a golden opportunity to assert itself more forcefully in negotiations since it knew how important that approval was to Sumitovant's value thesis.

- 62. Instead, advised by Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee squandered its opportunity to conduct a robust market check, and chose to deprive itself of negotiating leverage by deliberately placing itself in a situation where it only had two options to consider, i.e., either say yes or no to a deal with Myovant's controlling shareholder. Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma understood the difficult negotiating position in which the Special Committee had put itself, and took full advantage by submitting a "best and final offer" that fell *below* the high end of the valuation that its own financial advisor, J.P. Morgan, had attributed to Myovant (*see infra*).
- 63. The considerations cited in the Proxy for the path that the Special Committee took (i.e., no outreach to third parties), based on discussions with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, do not withstand scrutiny. The assumption "that few parties other than one of Myovant's current commercial partners would be interested in a transaction," was entirely speculative since that assumption was never tested once the Special Committee, in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, concluded that outreach would be "futile." And while at the August 22

Meeting, the Special Committee observed that it could "reach out to third parties at a later time," that never happened since, after further consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden on October 2, 2022 (see infra), the Special Committee continued to conclude that outreach would be futile for the same reasons determined at the August 22 Meeting. Finally, while the Special Committee noted that any merger agreement "would be expected to allow the Special Committee to consider unsolicited inbound acquisition proposals that might be made," the Proxy acknowledges that the provision in the Merger Agreement barring Myovant from actively soliciting competing acquisition proposals after the signing of the Merger Agreement was a factor weighing against approval of the Merger, and that the provision in the Merger Agreement obligating Myovant to pay Sumitovant a termination fee of \$55,250,000 in connection with a termination of the Merger Agreement due to entry of Myovant into an alternative transaction could "discourage the making of a competing acquisition proposal or adversely impact the price offered in such a proposal." In other words, the provisions of the Merger Agreement further depressed the likelihood of an alternative transaction emerging.

- 64. Most importantly for purposes of this Complaint, the Proxy reflects that a conflicted Skadden actively participated in the decision of the Special Committee to nix the option of reaching out to third parties, and thereby weakening its negotiating leverage. The undisclosed Skadden Conflicts thus plausibly contributed to a loss in value to Minority Myovant Shareholders that could have otherwise been secured by conducting a robust market check and aggressively testing the assertion of Sumitovant that it would not approve any alternative transaction.
- 65. Critically, had Skadden advised the Special Committee to reach out to other potential counterparties, and conduct a robust market check, to strengthen the Special Committee's negotiating leverage with Sumitovant—and one or more competing bidders had emerged because

of those efforts—there is a strong possibility that Myovant would have negotiated a deal with a counterparty other than Sumitovant. In that circumstance, however, Skadden's *concurrent* client, Sumitomo Banking, would have lost the opportunity to close on its \$1.7 billion financing of the Merger, and Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical—both members of the Sumitomo Group—would have lost the opportunity to acquire Myovant (through Sumitovant). The prospect of providing advice to the Special Committee that would enable an alternative winning bidder, and thereby (i) costing its longstanding and ongoing client, Sumitomo Banking, the profits from a \$1.7 billion financing, and (ii) jeopardizing its ongoing relationships with multiple members of the Sumitomo Group (after causing Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical to lose the opportunity to acquire Myovant), plausibly would have caused Skadden to skew its advice to the Special Committee towards not reaching out to other potential counterparties to conduct a robust market check and increase its negotiating leverage against Sumitovant.

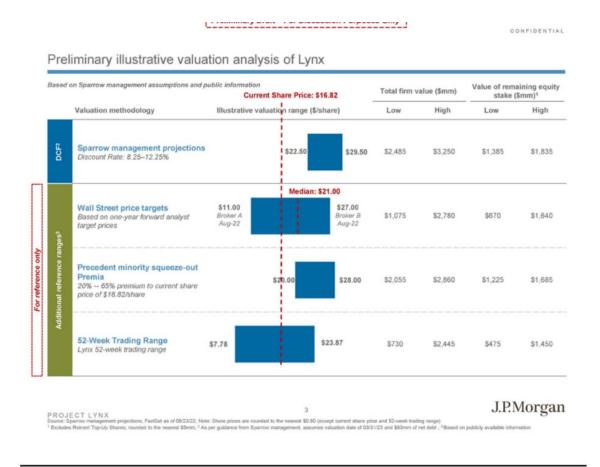
The September 15 ORGOVYX Sales Update

66. On September 15, 2022, the Board held a regularly scheduled meeting with Myovant management. During the meeting, Myovant management presented a financial update based on year-to-date results, which included an update ("Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update") on projected fiscal year 2022 ORGOVYX revenues, which purportedly were likely to be lower than reflected in the projections for fiscal year 2022 ORGOVYX revenues previously provided by Myovant management to the Board. Goldman, however, never modified the Revised Projections in any of its subsequent presentations to the Special Committee to take the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update into account. It is thus clear that Goldman did not believe that the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update required any modification of the Revised Projections. Moreover, the Special Committee never deemed the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update as a

relevant consideration in its negotiations with Sumitovant—that is, until October 23, 2022, when confronted with a purportedly "best and final offer" of \$27.00 per share from which it appeared Sumitovant wouldn't budge, the Special Committee used the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update as a justification to accept the \$27.00 per share bid—a price that fell towards the lower end of the valuation ranges determined by Goldman, and below what Sumitovant would have been willing to pay based on the analysis of J.P. Morgan.

Sumitomo Pharma's Financial Advisor, J.P. Morgan, Values Myovant at Higher Prices Than the Merger Consideration

As noted, the Initial Projections and Revised Projections had been based on the March 2022 Five-Year Projections. Myovant management had previously provided J.P. Morgan with the March 2022 Five-Year Projections, but not the Initial Projections or the Revised Projections. On September 27, 2022, J.P. Morgan shared a presentation ("September 27 J.P. Morgan Presentation") with the board of directors of Sumitomo Pharma (of which Defendant Nishinaka was a member). The September 27 J.P. Morgan Presentation depicted value ranges for Myovant shares of (i) \$22.50 to \$29.50 per share based on a DCF analysis of the March 2022 Five-Year Projections (with cash flows discounted at rates of 8.25%-12.25%—substantially lower than the 12-14% discount rate range used by Goldman in its own DCF Analysis), and (ii) \$20.00 to \$28.00 per share based on premiums paid to the unaffected stock price in precedent minority squeeze out transactions (as depicted in the following table annexed as an exhibit to the Transaction Statement):



68. Notably, under either of J.P. Morgan's analyses, Sumitovant could have justified paying more than \$27.00 per share for Myovant—up to \$29.50 per share under J.P. Morgan's DCF analysis, and up to \$28.00 per share under J.P. Morgan's premium paid analysis. Additionally, J.P. Morgan's DCF analysis was undertaken using only the March 2022 Five-Year Projections. Had J.P. Morgan been given access to the Revised Projections extending out to 2036, J.P. Morgan's DCF analysis would have not just plausibly, but almost certainly attributed an even higher valuation range to Myovant than \$22.50 to \$29.50 per share. Specifically, using the Revised Projections and a discount rate range of 12%-14%—considerably *higher* than the 8.25%-12.25% discount rate used in J.P. Morgan's DCF analysis—Goldman's DCF analysis attributed a value range of \$25.63 to \$30.79 per share to Myovant. Since, in a DCF analyses, a *higher* discount rate

lowers valuations and a *lower* discount rate *increases* valuations (*see In re Topps Co. S'holders Litig.*, 926 A.2d 58, 76 (Del. Ch. 2007)), it is almost certain that, using a *lower* discount rate range of 8.25%-12.25%, J.P. Morgan would have generated a *higher* valuation range than Goldman's \$25.63 to \$30.79 per share had J.P. Morgan prepared its DCF analysis using the same Revised Projections that Goldman used.

Sumitovant's September 30, 2022, Proposal

- 69. On September 30, 2022, Potter delivered a non-binding proposal ("September 30 Proposal") to the Special Committee, on behalf of Sumitovant, offering to acquire all the Myovant common shares not already owned by Sumitovant for \$22.75 per share. In the proposal, Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma stated that they were only interested in acquiring additional Myovant common shares and not interested in selling any of the Myovant common shares that Sumitovant owned or supporting any alternative sale, merger or similar transaction involving Myovant. The proposal further noted that the proposed transaction would be subject to a non-waivable condition requiring the approval of a majority of Minority Myovant Shareholders.
- 70. On October 1, 2022, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden to discuss the September 30 Proposal. Following evaluation and discussion of the offer price and other terms of the proposal, the Special Committee determined that the proposal significantly undervalued Myovant and, therefore, was not in the best interests of Myovant or its shareholders. The Special Committee also determined not to engage further on Sumitovant's due diligence requests. Goldman conveyed the Special Committee's decision to J.P. Morgan.
- 71. At the same meeting, Goldman shared a presentation ("October 1 Goldman Presentation") with the Special Committee. The assumptions, projections and other analyses in the October 1 Goldman Presentation did not materially differ from the August 3 Goldman Analyses

in the August 3 Goldman Presentation (notwithstanding the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update provided to the Board just *two weeks earlier*). There was one exception—the October 1 Goldman Presentation slightly *increased* the valuation range under the DCF analysis from \$25.54 to \$30.70 per share to \$25.63 to \$30.79 per share (which is the valuation range that appeared in the fairness opinion ("Fairness Opinion") provided to the Special Committee by Goldman on October 23, 2022).

72. On October 2, 2022, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden to discuss Myovant's communications plan in response to a press release that Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma were expected to issue concerning the September 30 Proposal. The Special Committee again discussed with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden the possibility of conducting outreach to potential third parties other than Sumitovant after public announcement of the September 30 Proposal to determine if any third parties had interest in a potential transaction with Myovant. Following such discussion, the Special Committee again determined not to do so based on the same considerations against outreach discussed at the August 22 Meeting, and the fact that the September 30 Proposal would put any potential bidders on notice of the opportunity to come forward with a proposal if they were interested. As noted above, this decision—emerging out of discussions with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden—sharply limited the Special Committee's negotiating leverage and put it in the position of having only two options on the table, i.e., a sale to Sumitovant or remaining independent. Had the Special Committee instead acted with a different mindset and exercised its power to seek out and consider alternative transactions, it could have dramatically increased its negotiating leverage and been able to extract a better price from Sumitovant. As such, given Skadden's active participation in the decision of the Special Committee to nix the option of reaching out to third parties, the undisclosed Skadden Conflicts

plausibly contributed to a loss in value to Minority Myovant Shareholders that could have otherwise been secured by conducting a robust market check and aggressively testing the assertion of Sumitovant that it would not approve any alternative transaction. Skadden was plausibly motivated to recommend against reaching out to potential third parties because had a competing bidder emerged and prevailed, it would have cost Skadden's concurrent client, Sumitomo Banking, the opportunity to finance the Merger for \$1.7 billion, and jeopardized Skadden's relationships with other members of the Sumitomo Group (after causing Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical—both members of the Sumitomo Group—to lose the opportunity to acquire Myovant through their subsidiary, Myovant).

- 73. Later on October 2, 2022, Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma issued a press release ("Sumitomo Press Release") announcing the September 30 Proposal. The Sumitomo Press Release stated, *inter alia*, that (i) "[t]he Proposal provides that the proposed transaction will be subject to the approval of the shareholders of Myovant holding a majority of the shares not owned by Sumitovant, and (ii) "Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma are interested only in acquiring the shares of Myovant not already owned by Sumitovant and that in such capacity, Sumitovant has no interest in selling any of the Myovant shares it owns, nor would Sumitovant support any alternative sale, merger, or similar transaction involving Myovant."
- 74. Later that day, Myovant issued its own press release ("Myovant Press Release") stating, *inter alia*, that after carefully reviewing the September 30 Proposal, the Special Committee had determined that "it significantly undervalues the Company," but remained "open to considering any improved proposal that reflects the full and fair value of the Company and is otherwise in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders, and is prepared to engage further with Sumitomo regarding any such proposal." The Myovant Press Release, however, did

little to push back against the statement in the Sumitomo Press Release that Sumitovant would not support an alternative transaction. Instead, the Myovant Press Release merely stated that the Special Committee was formed to evaluate Sumitovant's proposal "and any alternatives thereto," which certainly did not inspire confidence in third parties that alternative proposals were welcome and would be considered by the Special Committee. As discussed in the next section, only one potential counterparty reached out.

Company "A" Reaches Out to Goldman About a Potential Transaction

- 75. On October 5, 2022, Goldman, and representatives of a third party ("Company A"), a large pharmaceutical company, discussed the announcement of the September 30 Proposal. Company A informed Goldman that it was evaluating a possible transaction with Myovant. Company A was not requested to, and did not, enter into a non-disclosure or confidentiality agreement with Myovant. This prevented the Special Committee from sharing any confidential information with Company A (such as the Revised Projections), and thus evidences the lack of seriousness with which the Special Committee treated the overture from Company A.
- 76. Later that same day, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden. Goldman reported on the discussion they had with representatives of Company A, noting that Company A was evaluating a potential transaction with Myovant, but "that Company A did not believe it likely that it would propose a transaction given that Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma] had publicly stated that Sumitovant was not willing to sell its Myovant shares and would not support an alternative merger, consolidation or similar transaction with a third party involving Myovant." Notably, after discussions with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee did not authorize any further discussions with Company A to dispel its perception that submitting a competing proposal would be futile. Instead, the discussion at the October 5, 2022,

meeting promptly shifted to Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's proposal earlier that day and moving forward with further due diligence and negotiation of transaction documents once Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma confirmed their willingness to make an improved proposal at or near recent trading prices of Myovant's common shares (which closed at \$25.48 per share on October 4, 2022).

- 77. Following such discussion, the Special Committee determined to permit Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma to continue due diligence and commence merger agreement negotiations, subject to Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma confirming their understanding that they would need to increase their proposed price significantly beyond the current trading price to obtain the Special Committee's ultimate support of any transaction. The Special Committee authorized Goldman to convey to J.P. Morgan that Sumitovant should be looking to provide a value near \$30.00 per share, which representatives of Goldman did later that day. The Proxy does not reflect, however, that the Special Committee provided any guidance or instruction to Goldman concerning further outreach to Party A, as if a deal with Sumitovant was the only option on the table and a foregone conclusion. Nor does the Proxy reflect any further effort to engage with Party A. The Special Committee, advised by Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, thus squandered an opportunity to develop a competing bid from Company A that would put pressure on Sumitovant to maximize its bid.
- 78. On October 11, 2022, Company A informed Goldman that after carefully considering the opportunity for a potential transaction with Myovant and discussing the opportunity internally, Company A had determined that it would not submit a proposal for a transaction with Myovant. Goldman informed the Chairman of the Special Committee.
 - 79. On October 17, 2022, the Special Committee met with CEO Marek (with Goldman

and Skadden in attendance). At the request of the Special Committee, Marek discussed the need for employee retention to ensure business continuity during the period between signing and closing of a transaction and reviewed management's proposal for employee retention in connection with any possible transaction with Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma. At the request of the Special Committee, Marek exited the meeting, and Skadden thereafter reviewed key business and legal issues in the latest draft of the agreement governing the Merger ("Merger Agreement") provided by Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's legal advisor, Sullivan & Cromwell. Goldman also discussed with the Special Committee that Company A had determined not to submit a proposal for a transaction with Myovant. The Proxy does not reflect any instruction from the Special Committee to Goldman to reach out to Company A to consider changing its mind and submitting a competing bid. In short, consistent with its decision in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden not to reach out to third parties, the Special Committee simply let Company A's interest wither and die.

- & Cromwell to discuss most of the remaining open issues, apart from price, including, among other things, (i) certain compensation and benefits matters, including with respect to employee retention and severance protections, (ii) post-closing employee compensation and benefits matters, and (iii) the amount of the termination fee payable in the event of certain terminations of the Merger Agreement. The amount of the price per share payable in the Merger and the size of the proposed termination fee remained unresolved following the call.
- 81. On October 20, 2022, the Sumitomo Pharma board of directors met with Sullivan & Cromwell and J.P. Morgan. During such meeting, after reviewing the terms of the draft Merger Agreement and Sumitovant's due diligence regarding Myovant, the Sumitomo Pharma board of

directors approved the delivery of a subsequent offer to Myovant of up to a per share price of \$27.00, subject to final approval by the board of directors of Sumitovant (of which Potter and Nishinaka were members). As noted, however, J.P. Morgan's DCF analysis presented to the Sumitomo Pharma board of directors on September 27, 2022, justified a price as high as \$29.50 per share (without the benefit of having seen the Revised Projections going out to 2036).

Sumitovant's October 2022 Proposals

- 82. On October 21, 2022, J.P. Morgan conveyed to Goldman a revised oral proposal ("First October 21 Proposal") from Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma to acquire the outstanding Myovant common shares not already owned by Sumitovant for \$25.25 per share. Later that same day, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden to discuss the First October 21 Proposal. At the request of the Special Committee, Marek joined the meeting and provided management's perspectives on the proposal and then exited the meeting. The Special Committee authorized Goldman to advise J.P. Morgan that the Special Committee was unwilling to accept Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's offer of \$25.25 per share, and that Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma would need to significantly increase their offer price for the Special Committee to support a transaction.
- 83. Later on October 21, 2022, J.P. Morgan conveyed to Goldman a revised proposal ("Second October 21 Proposal") from Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma to acquire the outstanding Myovant common shares not already owned by Sumitovant for \$26.25 per share. J.P. Morgan indicated that this price reflected Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's views of Myovant's fundamental value and that Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma had limited ability to increase their proposal from that price. Thereafter, the Special Committee met again with Goldman and Skadden to discuss the Second October 21 Proposal. To that end, Goldman shared a

presentation ("October 21 Goldman Presentation") with the Special Committee. The assumptions, projections and other analyses in the October 21 Goldman Presentation did not materially differ from those in the October 1 Goldman Presentation (which, as noted, did not materially differ from the August 3 Goldman Analyses in the August 3 Goldman Presentation, except for increasing the valuation range under the DCF analysis from \$25.54 to \$30.70 per share to \$25.63 to \$30.79 per share).

- 84. At the request of the Special Committee, Marek joined the meeting to provide management's perspectives on the proposal, following which he exited the meeting. Following further discussion, the Special Committee authorized Goldman to inform J.P. Morgan that the Special Committee sought a higher offer price approaching \$30.00 per share and that further negotiation of price, if any, should be conducted between Guinan and Potter directly.
- 85. On October 22, 2022, Potter called Guinan and conveyed a further updated proposal ("October 22 Proposal") to acquire the outstanding Myovant common shares not already owned by Sumitovant for \$26.75 per share. Guinan indicated that he did not believe that the Special Committee would be supportive of a transaction at that price, to which Potter indicated that \$27.00 per share was the best and final price she was able to offer. Later that same day, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden to discuss the October 22 Proposal. To that end, Goldman shared a presentation ("October 22 Goldman Presentation") with the Special Committee. The assumptions, projections and other analyses in the October 22 Goldman Presentation did not materially differ from those in the October 1 Goldman Presentation.
- 86. Following discussion, the Special Committee determined to request a purchase price of \$28.50 per share and authorized Guinan to convey to Potter the Special Committee's counter-proposal of at least \$28.50 per share.

- 87. Later on October 22, 2022, Guinan called Potter and conveyed the Special Committee's counter-proposal that Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma increase their offer to at least \$28.50 per share. Potter indicated that she did not have authorization to offer above \$27.00 per share, but would communicate the Special Committee's request for at least \$28.50 per share to Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma. Later in the evening on October 22, 2022, Potter called Guinan to inform him that \$27.00 per share was Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's best and final offer, and that the transaction would not move forward if the Special Committee required a higher price than \$27.00 per share. Guinan noted that he would report that to the Special Committee and would speak with Potter the following morning.
- 88. On October 23, 2022, the Special Committee met with Goldman and Skadden. Guinan updated the Special Committee on his discussion with Potter, noting that Potter informed him that \$27.00 per share was Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's best and final offer, and that the transaction would not move forward if the Special Committee requested a higher price than \$27.00 per share. Agreeing to a deal price of \$27.00 per share, however, was problematic for the Special Committee since it was the low end of the fairness range determined by the most credible of Goldman's analyses. Those analyses had consistently showed that Myovant was worth between (i) \$25.59 to \$30.74 per share based on a DCF analysis, (ii) \$25.34 to \$36.39 per share based on an analysis of premiums paid in select minority squeeze out transactions involving biotechnology companies only ("Biotech Premia Analysis"), and (iii) \$20.65 to \$26.04 per share based on an analysis of premiums paid in select minority squeeze out transactions over \$1 billion in value across all industries since 2012 ("\$1B Txn Premia Analysis"). The \$1B Txn Premia Analysis, however, relied on several older transactions involving companies outside the biotech industry going back as far as 2012, thus rendering it far less credible than the Biotech Premia Analysis,

which was based on transactions in 2020 involving comparable biotech companies:



Precedent Squeeze Out Transactions Selected Precedent Minority Squeeze Out Transactions

INVESTMENT BANKING DIVISION

	Announce Date	Target	Acquiror	(\$mm)	Final Bid	1-Day Premium¹
_	12-Nov-2020	Urovant	Sumitovant	\$ 681.0	\$ 16.25	102.6 %
Biotech	05-Oct-2020	Eidos Therapeutics	BridgeBio	1,651.6	73.26	41.1
<u>m</u>	31-Aug-2020	Akcea Therapeutics	Ionis	500.0	18.15	59.5
	21-Feb-2020	AVX	Kyocera	1,046.1	21.75	44.6
	24-Jul-2019	Speedway Motorsports	Sonic Financial	234.3	19.75	41.7
	22-May-2019	International Speedway	NASCAR 1,	1,128.4	1.4 45.00	15.2
	09-May-2019	EMC Insurance	Employers Mutual Casualty	372.2	36.00	50.1
	19-Jun-2018	Foundation Medicine	Roche	2,260.9	137.00	28.7
	01-Mar-2018	AmTrust Financial Services	Evergreen Parent	1,327.5	14.75	45.3
	06-Sep-2016	Federal-Mogul	Icahn Enterprises	304.5	10.00	100.8
	25-Jul-2016	National Interstate	Great American Insurance ²	311.6	32.50	46.0
	01-Mar-2013	Sauer-Danfoss	Danfoss	692.9	58.50	48.6
	17-Dec-2012	Clearwire	Sprint Nextel	3,329.8	2.97	33.8

- 89. Further, after determining together with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden on August 22, 2022, and October 1, 2022, not to reach out to other potential third parties—and having thereafter declined to meaningfully engage with Company A—the Special Committee was left with no other options other than to accept the "final and best offer" of \$27.00 per share, or to say no to its controlling shareholder.
- 90. Having put itself in that difficult negotiating position, the Special Committee needed a justification to accept the "final and best offer" of \$27.00 per share. To that end, the Special Committee asked Marek and Myovant's Chief Financial Officer, Uneek Mehra, to join the meeting, review the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update (projecting lower sales of ORGOVYX in 2022), and respond to questions from the Special Committee. Marek and Mehra then exited the meeting. After not having discussed the impact of the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update back in September 2022, when it was first presented by Myovant management, the Special Committee and Goldman—now for the first time—discussed the possible impact of the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update on future years' sales, and Goldman reviewed a sensitivity

analysis regarding the potential impact of the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update on Myovant's valuation and overall projections. Even though neither Goldman nor the Special Committee had previously adjusted the Revised Projections in light of the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update, the Special Committee determined following discussion of the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update that it would be supportive of Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's latest proposal of \$27.00 per share, and authorized Guinan to convey this message to Potter.

- 91. Following the Special Committee meeting on October 23, 2022, Guinan contacted Potter and informed her that the Special Committee would support Sumitovant's and Sumitomo Pharma's latest proposal of \$27.00 per share.
- 92. Later in the day on October 23, 2022, the Special Committee met with Goldman, Skadden, and Conyers. At that meeting, Goldman delivered its Fairness Opinion to the Special Committee concluding that the \$27.00 per share in cash that would be paid to the holders of Myovant common shares (other than Sumitovant and its affiliates) pursuant to the Merger was fair from a financial point of view to such holders. As per the Proxy, the Fairness Opinion opined that \$27.00 per share was fair based on analyses showing that Myovant was purportedly worth between (i) \$25.59 to \$30.74 per share based on a DCF analysis, (ii) \$25.34 to \$36.39 per share based on the Biotech Premia Analysis, and (iii) \$20.65 to \$26.04 per share based on the \$1B Txn Premia Analysis. But as noted above, the \$1B Txn Premia Analysis was far less credible than the Biotech Premia Analysis because of the former's reliance on much older transactions outside the biotech industry.
- 93. The \$27.00 per share price to which the Special Committee agreed thus fell at the low end of the fairness range indicated by Goldman's most credible analyses: the DCF analysis

and the Biotech Premia Analysis.

- 94. After obtaining the Fairness Opinion, the Special Committee unanimously determined that the Merger was fair to and in the best interests of Myovant and its shareholders (including the Minority Myovant Shareholders), and recommended that the Board approve the Merger. Among the factors cited in the Proxy supporting the Special Committee's recommendation was that "the Special Committee was advised by an *independent legal counsel* and an independent financial advisor in its review, evaluation and negotiation of the Merger." As noted above, however, Skadden was not independent because of the Skadden Conflicts (i.e., Skadden was unable to evaluate the Merger based solely on its merits without extraneous considerations or influences arising from its simultaneous representation of Sumitomo Banking and other Sumitomo Group entities).
- 95. Following the conclusion of the Special Committee meeting on October 23, 2022, the Board met with Goldman, Skadden, and Conyers in attendance. Prior to the meeting, Sumitovant's representatives on the Board—Potter, Nishinaka and Gulfo—waived notice of the meeting and did not attend. At the meeting, the Board, based upon the Special Committee's recommendation, determined that the Merger was fair to and in the best interests of Myovant and its shareholders (including the Minority Myovant Shareholders), approved the Merger, and recommended that Myovant's shareholders vote in favor of the Merger.
- 96. On October 23, 2022, Myovant and Sumitovant signed the Merger Agreement. The *same* individual—Monika Adams—signed the Merger Agreement on behalf of both Myovant and Sumitovant.
- 97. Among other provisions, the Merger Agreement (i) barred Myovant from actively soliciting competing acquisition proposals after the signing of the Merger Agreement, and (ii)

obligated Myovant to pay Sumitovant a termination fee of \$55,250,000 in connection with a termination of the Merger Agreement due to entry of Myovant into an alternative transaction. The Proxy acknowledged that the termination fee could "discourage the making of a competing acquisition proposal or adversely impact the price offered in such a proposal."

98. The Merger also provided for the acceleration of all vested and unvested Myovant equity awards upon consummation of the Merger with the holders of such awards receiving \$27.00 in cash for all shares covered by (i) vested and unvested options to purchase Myovant common shares (with an exercise price less than \$27.00 per share), and (ii) unvested Time-Based Restricted Share Units ("RSUs") and Performance-Based Share Units ("PSUs") (with all performance goals under PSUs being deemed satisfied). As a result of such acceleration, and existing common stock holdings, Myovant's senior executives received a cash bonanza upon consummation of the Merger, as illustrated by the following table (based on tables in the Proxy purporting to illustrate the value of all equity awards and beneficial common stock ownership of Myovant's five most senior executive officers upon consummation of the Merger):

Name	Title	Value of Common Shares	Value of Vested Stock Options	Valued of Unvested RSUs	Value of Unvested PSUs	Value of Vested Options	Total Value of Cash Payouts from Merger
David Marek	CEO	\$2,583,225	\$1,820,542	\$8,691,948	\$3,633,309	\$5,267,266	\$22,356,290
Uneek Mehra	CFO	\$559,548	\$266,886	\$4,913,244	\$2,999,997	\$587,157	\$9,326,832
Matthew Lang	General Counsel	\$3,054,915	\$11,401,808	\$4,826,736	\$4,684,527	\$1,470,767	\$25,438,753
Juan Camilo Arjona Ferreira	Chief Medical Officer	\$2,338,254	\$7,462,283	\$4,322,214	\$2,799,981	\$1,281,954	\$18,204,686
Lauren	Chief	\$588,357	\$491,960	\$3,989,169	\$2,799,981	\$632,536	\$8,501,103

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99. Based on compensation information provided in the annual proxy filed by Myovant on July 27, 2022 ("2022 Proxy"), these sums represented significant cash payouts for Marek, Mehra and Merendino as compared to their total compensation during 2021, which primarily consisted of equity awards that would have otherwise vested over periods of up to four years (instead of being paid out immediately upon consummation of the Merger):³

Name	Title	2021 Equity Award Compensation (subject to vesting periods of up to 4 years, and, in the case of PSUs, achievement of performance milestones)	2021 Total Compensation	Merger Compensation
David Marek	CEO	\$4,817,360	\$6,247,509	\$22,356,290
Uneek Mehra	CFO	\$4,533,511	\$5,164,872	\$9,326,832
Lauren Merendino	Chief Commercial Officer	\$2,825,531	\$3,463,677	\$8,501,103

100. The above table leaves little doubt that when the Special Committee called Marek and Mr. Mehra into the October 23, 2022, meeting to review and discuss the Sept 15 ORGOVYX 2022 Sales Update, both Marek and Mehra were highly motivated to skew their advice towards accepting \$27.00 per share rather than keeping Myovant independent.

³ The 2022 Proxy did not provide compensation information for Lang and Juan Camilo Arjona Ferreira ("Ferreira"). But since the compensation information in the 2022 Proxy was limited to Myovant's CEO, and two other most highly compensated executive officers in 2021, the excess of the cash payouts from the Merger over 2021 compensation was even greater for Lang and Ferreira (whose compensation in 2021 would have been lower than Mehra and Merendino).

- 101. On October 23, 2022, after signing the Merger Agreement and other relevant transaction documents, Myovant, Myovant U.S., Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma jointly announced the Merger. The source of the press release announcing the Merger was Myovant U.S. and Sumitovant.
- 102. On January 23, 2023, Defendants filed the false and misleading Proxy. The Proxy disclosed the Initial Projections and the Revised Projections. The Revised Projections included in the Proxy matched the Revised Projections appearing in all of Goldman's presentations to the Special Committee from August 3, 2022, through October 23, 2022, with one exception—the Revised Projections in the Proxy estimated sales for 2022 at \$242 million, while the Revised Projections in Goldman's presentations had estimated sales for 2022 at \$274 million. However, the valuation ranges in the Proxy matched the valuation ranges in all of Goldman's presentations to the Special Committee in October 2022.
- 103. The Proxy stated that the projections included in the Proxy were "in the view of Myovant management . . . reasonably prepared in good faith on a basis reflecting the best available estimates and judgments at the time of preparation . . ."
- 104. On March 1, 2023, a majority of Minority Myovant Shareholders voted to approve the Merger.
- 105. On March 10, 2023, the Merger closed, and Myovant became a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitovant.
- 106. Messrs. Marek, Mehra, Lang and Ferreira, and Ms. Merendino, have remained continuously employed by Myovant after the closing of the Merger.

Appraisal Rights Under Bermuda Law

107. The Proxy explained that Myovant shareholders who did not vote in favor of the

Merger had appraisal rights under Bermuda law:

Under Bermuda law, in the event of a merger of a Bermuda company with another Bermuda company or foreign corporation, any shareholder of the Bermuda company is entitled to receive fair value for its shares. For purposes of Section 106(2)(b)(i) of the Bermuda Companies Act, the Myovant Board considers the fair value for each Myovant common share to be \$27.00, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes.

Any shareholder of Myovant who is not satisfied that it has been offered fair value for its shares and whose shares are not voted in favor of the Merger Proposal may exercise its appraisal rights under the Bermuda Companies Act to have the fair value of its shares appraised by the Supreme Court of Bermuda. Persons owning beneficial interests in shares but who are not shareholders of record should note that only persons who are shareholders of record are entitled to make an application for appraisal. Any shareholder of Myovant intending to exercise appraisal rights must file its application for appraisal of the fair value of its shares with the Supreme Court of Bermuda within one month after the date the notice convening the special general meeting to approve the Merger has been given. The notice delivered with this proxy statement constitutes this notice. There are no statutory rules, and there are limited decisions of the Supreme Court of Bermuda that prescribe in detail the operation of the provisions of Section 106 of the Bermuda Companies Act or the process of appraisal by the Supreme Court of Bermuda; the Supreme Court of Bermuda retains considerable discretion as to the precise methodology that it would adopt when determining the fair value of shares in an appraisal application under the Bermuda Companies Act.

If a shareholder of Myovant votes in favor of the Merger Proposal at the special general meeting, such shareholder will have no right to apply to the Supreme Court of Bermuda to appraise the fair value of its shares, and instead, if the Merger is consummated . . . each Myovant common share of such shareholder will be cancelled and will have the right to receive the per share merger consideration. Voting against the Merger, or not voting, will not in itself satisfy the requirements for notice and exercise of a shareholder's right to apply for appraisal of the fair value of its shares.

108. By misleading Minority Myovant Shareholders, the material misrepresentations and omissions in the Proxy caused Minority Myovant Shareholders who voted for the Merger to lose their appraisal rights under Bermuda law.

The Proxy Contains Material Misrepresentations and Omissions

109. Proxies seeking shareholder action must disclose conflicts affecting the law firm advising the target company that might be perceived to have affected the advocacy of such law firm on behalf of the target company. Such disclosure is required so that selling shareholders have an opportunity to examine a transaction more critically and to judge for themselves what significance to attribute to such conflicts. The relevant inquiry is not whether an actual conflict of interest existed, but rather whether *full disclosure* of potential conflicts of interest has been made.

110. When a special committee has been formed to negotiate a transaction with a controlling stockholder, it is vital that the law firm retained to represent the special committee does not suffer from any potential conflicts that might compromise the law firm's loyalty to the special committee and independence from the controlling stockholder. That is because, when advising a special committee on a transaction with a controlling stockholder, the law firm plays a critical role in terms of presenting options and making recommendations to the special committee. Additionally, if specifically retained because of its experience and expertise, the law firm can strongly influence the choices and decision making of the special committee's members with respect to the transaction.

111. Thus, in any transaction with a controlling stockholder, it would be important for selling shareholders to know if the special committee's law firm simultaneously had a *concurrent* relationship with an affiliate providing financing to the controlling stockholder, since such a relationship could plausibly incentivize the law firm to provide advice to the special committee skewed towards consummating a deal with the controlling stockholder even if at a suboptimal price for the selling shareholders (in order to benefit the affiliate providing the financing).

- 112. Additionally, it would be important for selling shareholders to know if the special committee's law firm had concurrent and recent past relationships with companies affiliated with the controlling stockholder since such relationships could plausibly cause the law firm to skew its advice to the special committee with a view towards maintaining and generating future work from those relationships. Concurrent and recent past relationships between the special committee's law firm and companies affiliated with the controlling stockholder would give the law firm a powerful incentive to maintain good will and not push too hard during the negotiations with the controlling stockholder to maintain and generate future work from such relationships.
- the Special Committee not harbor any potential conflicts that could compromise their loyalty to the Special Committee and independence from Sumitovant, Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical. To that end, when discussing the retention of Goldman, Cooley and Conyers, the Proxy states that the Special Committee confirmed that such advisors "were not disqualified from being engaged by the Special Committee by virtue of any *potential conflicts of interest* with respect to a potential transaction with Sumitovant and [Sumitomo Pharma]." Thereafter, when discussing the Special Committee's retention of Skadden, the Proxy states that the Special Committee "determined to retain Skadden to serve as counsel to the Special Committee, based on, among other things, Skadden's qualifications, experience and reputation and *the absence of conflicts on the part of Skadden*."
- 114. The statement that Skadden did not have any conflicts was false. *First*, when it was retained by the Special Committee, Skadden was already *simultaneously* representing Sumitomo Banking on deals with Marathon Capital and Jefferies. Subsequently, Sumitomo Banking provided \$1.7 billion in financing to Sumitomo Pharma to consummate the Merger. Thus, Skadden was

simultaneously representing the (i) Special Committee and (ii) the entity (Sumitomo Banking) providing financing to the buyers (Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma) against which the Special Committee was negotiating. Since Sumitomo Banking also owned a 1.41% stake in Sumitomo Chemical, Skadden was also simultaneously representing the Special Committee and an entity (Sumitomo Banking) that was an affiliate of the buyers (Sumitovant and Sumitomo Pharma) against which the Special Committee was negotiating.

- simultaneously representing (i) SuMi Trust on a deal with Apollo, and (ii) Sumitomo Nikko as international joint lead manager in the IPO of Socionext on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. SuMi Trust and Sumitomo Nikko are members of the Sumitomo Group keiretsu of which Sumitomo Chemical and Sumitomo Pharma are also members. Illustrating the collaboration between members of the Sumitomo Group keiretsu, the Winter 2023 issue of the Sumitomo Group Public Affairs Committee included remarks from Keiichi Iwata, Representative Director and President of Sumitomo Chemical, and Makoto Takashima, President, and CEO of Sumitomo Banking, while the Spring 2023 issue included remarks from Toru Takakura, Director and President of Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, and Director of SuMi Trust.
- 116. *Third*, within approximately a year prior to being retained by the Special Committee, Skadden represented the underwriters on Sumitomo Life's offering of \$920 million in step-up callable subordinated notes due 2081 announced in May 2021.
- 117. Reasonable Minority Myovant Shareholders would have considered disclosure of the Skadden Conflicts as significantly altering the total mix of information made available to them since such conflicts could have skewed Skadden's advice to the Special Committee towards consummating a deal with Sumitovant even at a suboptimal price for Minority Myovant

Shareholders (i.e., to avoid causing Sumitomo Banking to lose the opportunity to provide \$1.7 billion in financing to close the Merger, and avoid jeopardizing future business from Sumitomo Nikko, SuMi Trust, and other members of the Sumitomo Group *keiretsu* by not causing Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical to lose the opportunity to acquire Myovant to a higher bidder).

118. Moreover, given that (i) Skadden actively participated in discussions on August 22, 2022, and October 1, 2022, that persuaded the Special Committee to adopt a controlled mindset and not to reach out to additional third parties to solicit competing bids, (ii) reaching out to potential third parties (including actively engaging with Company A after it expressed interest) would have increased the Special Committee's negotiating leverage and helped it secure a higher price from Sumitovant, (iii) Sumitovant would have been prepared to pay as high as \$29.50 per share for Myovant based on the valuation analyses of J.P. Morgan (and perhaps even higher had it been given access to the Revised Projections), but had no incentive to do so in the absence of any competing bids, and (iv) \$27.00 per share was at the low end of the fairness range determined by Goldman, the Skadden Conflicts contributed to a loss in value to Minority Myovant Shareholders.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

119. Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of a class ("Class") consisting of all individuals and entities that were Myovant common shareholders of record as of the close of business on January 20, 2023 ("Class Period"), which was the record date for determining the Minority Myovant Shareholders entitled to vote on the Merger. Excluded from the Class are Defendants and their affiliates, immediate families, legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest, as well as Sumitovant, Sumitomo Pharma and Sumitomo Chemical and their affiliates.

- 120. Plaintiff's claims are properly maintainable as a class action under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 121. The Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff at this time and can only be ascertained through discovery, the Proxy discloses that 97,098,846 Myovant common shares were issued and outstanding as of January 17, 2023 (of which approximately 51.5% was owned by Sumitovant as of such date). All members of the Class may be identified from records maintained by Myovant or its transfer agent and may be notified of the pendency of this action by mail, using forms of notice like that customarily used in securities class actions.
- 122. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class as all members of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants' wrongful conduct in violation of the federal securities laws specified above.
- 123. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Class, and has no interests antagonistic to or in conflict with those of the Class that Plaintiff seeks to represent. Plaintiff has retained competent counsel experienced in securities class action litigation of this nature.
- 124. Questions of law and fact are common to the Class and predominate over questions affecting any individual Class member, including, *inter alia*: (i) whether Defendants have violated Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9 promulgated thereunder; (ii) whether the Individual Defendants have violated Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act; and (iii) whether Plaintiff and the other members of the Class are entitled to damages, and in what amount.

- 125. A class action is superior to all other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy. Plaintiff knows of no difficulty to be encountered in the management of this action that would preclude its maintenance as a class action.
- 126. Defendants have acted, or refused to act, on grounds generally applicable to the Class as a whole, and are causing injury to the entire Class. Therefore, final injunctive relief on behalf of the Class is appropriate.

CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

COUNT I

Against All Defendants for Violations of Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9

- 127. Plaintiff incorporates and repeats each and every allegation above as if fully set forth herein.
- 128. SEC Rule 14a-9, 17 C.F.R. §240.14a-9, promulgated pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act, provides:

No solicitation subject to this regulation shall be made by means of any Proxy, form of proxy, notice of meeting or other communication, written or oral, containing any statement which, at the time and in light of the circumstances under which it is made, is false or misleading with respect to any material fact, or which omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein not false or misleading or necessary to correct any statement in any earlier communication with respect to the solicitation of a proxy for the same meeting or subject matter which has become false or misleading.

129. As detailed above, Defendants disseminated a false and misleading Proxy that made false and misleading statements, and failed to disclose material facts necessary to make statements made therein, considering the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in violation of Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9 promulgated thereunder.

- 130. By virtue of their positions within the Company, and/or roles in the process of preparing, reviewing, and/or disseminating the Proxy, Defendants were aware of their duty not to make false and misleading statements in the Proxy, and not to omit material facts from the Proxy necessary to make statements made therein—considering the circumstances under which they were made—not misleading.
- 131. Yet, in violation of Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14a-9, Defendants (i) made untrue statements of material fact in the Proxy, and/or (ii) omitted material facts from the Proxy necessary to make statements therein— considering the circumstances under which they were made—not misleading, in order to induce Myovant stockholders to vote in favor of the Merger. In particular, the Proxy prepared and approved by Defendants falsely stated that Skadden had no conflicts, and failed to disclose the Skadden Conflicts.
- 132. Defendants were at least negligent in filing the Proxy with these material misrepresentations and omissions.
- as there is a substantial likelihood that reasonable Minority Myovant Shareholders would have viewed disclosure of the Skadden Conflicts as significantly altering the "total mix" of information made available to Minority Myovant Shareholders. In other words, the alleged omissions were not so obviously unimportant to a reasonable Minority Myovant Shareholders that reasonable minds could not differ on the question of their importance
- 134. Since, according to the Proxy, Sumitovant could not have consummated the Merger absent the approval of a majority of the Minority Myovant Shareholders, the Proxy soliciting the votes of Minority Myovant Shareholders was an essential link in the accomplishment of the Merger. Thus, transaction causation is established.

If the Special Committee had exercised its power to conduct a robust market check by reaching out to potential third parties with an interest in a transaction with Myovant (including seriously engaging with Company A), it could have secured other bids, and dramatically increased its negotiating leverage and secured a higher price from Sumitovant. Based on the valuations of Myovant conducted by J.P. Morgan, Sumitovant would have been willing to pay as high as \$29.50 per share for Myovant (and even more had it been granted access to the Revised Projections). Instead, in consultation with Goldman and a conflicted Skadden, the Special Committee elected not to reach out to third parties (or to engage seriously with Company A), which prevented the solicitation of other bids, and deprived the Special Committee of negotiating leverage it could have used to secure a higher price from Sumitovant. As a result, Minority Myovant Shareholders did not receive fair value for their shares, and the Skadden Conflicts thus caused a loss in value to Minority Myovant Shareholders. Indeed, had the Skadden Conflicts been disclosed to Minority Myovant Shareholders, they would not have voted for the Merger, and would have retained Myovant shares with a greater value than the Merger Consideration. Loss causation is thus established.

COUNT II

Against the Individual Defendants for Violations of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act

- 136. Plaintiff incorporates and repeats each and every allegation above as if fully set forth herein
- 137. The Individual Defendants acted as controlling persons of Myovant within the meaning of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act, as alleged herein. By virtue of their positions as officers and/or directors of Myovant, and participation in, and/or awareness of Myovant's operations, and/or intimate knowledge of the contents of the Proxy filed with the SEC, they had

the power to influence and control, and did influence and control, directly or indirectly, the decision-making of Myovant with respect to the Proxy, including the content and dissemination of the various statements in the Proxy that Plaintiff contends are materially false and misleading, and the omissions of material fact specified above.

- 138. Each of the Individual Defendants was provided with or had unlimited access to copies of the Proxy and other statements alleged by Plaintiff to be misleading prior to and/or shortly after these statements were issued and had the ability to prevent the issuance of the statements or cause the statements to be corrected.
- 139. Each of the Individual Defendants had direct and supervisory involvement in the negotiation of the Merger, and, therefore, is presumed to have had the power to control or influence the transactions giving rise to the securities violations alleged herein, and exercised same. In particular, the Proxy at issue references the unanimous recommendation of the Special Committee (and thereafter the Board, based on the Special Committee's recommendation) to approve the Merger, and recommend that Myovant stockholders vote for the Merger. The Individual Defendants were thus directly involved in the making of the Proxy.
- 140. In addition, as the Proxy sets forth at length, and as described herein, the Individual Defendants were involved in negotiating, reviewing, and approving the Merger. The Proxy purports to describe the various issues and information that the Individual Defendants reviewed and considered in connection with such negotiation, review, and approval.
- 141. By virtue of the foregoing, the Individual Defendants had the ability to exercise control over and did control a person or persons who violated Section 14(a), by their acts and omissions as alleged herein. By virtue of their positions as controlling persons, these Defendants are liable pursuant to Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment and relief as follows:

- A. Preliminarily determining that this action is a proper class action under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; appointing Plaintiff as the Class Plaintiff; and appointing Lead Counsel as Class Counsel;
- B. Rescinding the Merger Agreement and the transactions consummated thereby, or in the alternative, granting Plaintiff and other Class Members rescissory damages against all Defendants, jointly and severally, in an amount to be proven at trial;
- C. Directing Defendants to account to Plaintiff and other Class Members for all damages suffered as a result of their misconduct, jointly and severally, in an amount to be proven at trial;
- D. Awarding Plaintiff and other Class Members pre- and post-judgment interest on any damages recovered;
- E. Awarding Plaintiff the costs and disbursements of this action, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses; and
 - F. Granting such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all claims and issues so triable.

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