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PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS

Dear Fellow Stockholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the Special Meeting of Stockholders on Thursday, September 18, 2014. The Special Meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m., Central Time, at Horizon s corporate office, located at 520 Lake Cook Road, Suite 520, Deerfield, IL 60015.

The attached Notice of Special Meeting and proxy statement/prospectus describes how Horizon s Board of Directors operates, provides biographical information on Horizon s director nominees, gives information for the voting matters to be acted upon at the Special Meeting and explains the proxy voting process.

Horizon s Board of Directors urges you to read the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus and recommends that you vote FOR the adoption of the Merger Agreement and the approval of the Merger, FOR the approval, on an advisory basis, of certain compensatory arrangements between Horizon and its named executive officers relating to the Merger contemplated by the Merger Agreement, FOR the approval of the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan, FOR the approval of the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Non-Employee Equity Plan, FOR the approval of the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan and FOR the approval of the adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to adopt the Merger Agreement and approve the Merger.

Whether or not you plan to attend the Special Meeting, it is important that your shares be represented and voted. Please take a moment now to vote your shares by internet, toll-free telephone call or by signing and dating the enclosed proxy card and returning it in the pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided.

Horizon looks forward to seeing you on September 18, 2014, and urges you to vote as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Timothy P. Walbert

Chairman of the Board, President and

Chief Executive Officer

This proxy statement/prospectus refers to important business and financial information about Horizon that is not included in or delivered with this proxy statement/prospectus. Such information is available without charge to Horizon stockholders upon written or oral request at the following address: Horizon Pharma, Inc., Attn: Investor Relations, 520 Lake Cook Road, Suite 520, Deerfield, IL 60015, or by telephone at (224) 383-3000. To obtain timely delivery, Horizon stockholders must request the information no later than five business days before the date of the Horizon special meeting, or no later than September 11, 2014.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this proxy statement/prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

For the avoidance of doubt, this proxy statement/prospectus is not intended to be and is not a prospectus for the purposes of the Investment Funds, Companies and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2005 of Ireland (the 2005 Act), the Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) Regulations 2005 of Ireland or the Prospectus Rules issued under the 2005 Act, and the Central Bank of Ireland has not approved this document.

This proxy statement/prospectus is dated August 7, 2014, and is first being mailed to the Horizon stockholders on or about August 11, 2014.

HORIZON PHARMA, INC.

520 Lake Cook Road, Suite 520

Deerfield, Illinois 60015

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2014

Dear Stockholder:

Horizon will be holding the Special Meeting of Stockholders of Horizon Pharma, Inc., on Thursday, September 18, 2014, beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m., Central Time, at Horizon s corporate office, located at 520 Lake Cook Road, Suite 520, Deerfield, IL 60015. You are being asked to vote on the following matters:

- 1. To adopt the Merger Agreement and approve the Merger.
- **2.** To approve, on an advisory basis, certain compensatory arrangements between Horizon and its named executive officers relating to the Merger contemplated by the Merger Agreement.
- **3.** To approve the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Equity Incentive Plan.
- **4.** To approve the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Non-Employee Equity Plan.
- 5. To approve the Horizon Pharma Public Limited Company 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- **6.** To approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting, if necessary, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to adopt the Merger Agreement and approve the Merger.
- 7. To conduct any other business properly brought before the meeting.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on July 30, 2014, the record date for the Special Meeting, are entitled to notice of the Special Meeting and to vote at the Special Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. On or about August 11, 2014, Horizon will mail proxy materials to our common stockholders. Horizon asks that you review the proxy statement/prospectus carefully and complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card in the envelope provided or vote over the internet or by telephone as instructed in these materials, as promptly as possible in order to ensure your representation at the meeting. A return envelope (which is postage prepaid if mailed in the United States) will be provided for your convenience. Even if you have voted by proxy, you may still vote in person if you attend the meeting. Please note, however, that if your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee and you wish to vote at the meeting, you must obtain a proxy issued in your name from that record holder.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholders Meeting to Be Held on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at 8:00 a.m., Central Time, at 520 Lake Cook Road, Suite 520, Deerfield, IL 60015.

The Proxy Statement/Prospectus and Annual Report to stockholders

are available at www.envisionreports.com/hznp.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Robert J. De Vaere

Secretary

Deerfield, Illinois

August 7, 2014

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