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Salt tempts buyers with I Was Bono's Doppelganger

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Salt is tempting buyers with Nick Hamm's *I Was Bono's Doppelganger* starring Charlie Cox, Robert Sheehan, Romola Garai, Bill Nighy and Pete Postlethwaite.

Based on Neil McCormick's autobiography, the film tells of McCormick and his brother's disastrous attempts to become rock stars. Failing spectacularly they can only watch while old school friends U2 become the biggest band in the world.

Neil will be played by Charlie Cox with new Irish talent Robert Sheehan as younger brother Ivan. Nick Hamm (*The Hole*) directs and the project was developed through Hamm's Greenroom Entertainment with British comedy-royalty writers Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais (*The Commitments*).

Producers are Piers Tempest for Salt, Mark Huffam of Generator Entertainment and Ian Flocks (former agent to U2) of Wasted Talent, with James Flynn of Octagon. Liz Gallacher is music supervisor for Cutting Edge and Mike Hedges (a frequent U2 collaborator, including *All That You Can't Leave Behind*) is music producer.

Financiers include Matador Pictures and Cutting Edge Group. An August shoot in Belfast, Dublin and London is planned.

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