

# Amgen Inc.

# **Initial Thoughts on 4Q23 Earnings**

Maintain Rating: NEUTRAL | PO: 315.00 USD | Price: 321.97 USD

## 4Q beat; 2024 rev guidance above

Amgen reported solid 4Q results on top and bottom lines (+\$77M and +\$0.11 vs. cons). Higher revenues were driven by Neulasta (+\$108M) and Prolia / Xgeva (+47M) while Enbrel (-\$38M), Repatha (-\$17M), and Tezspire (-\$13M) performed below expectations. Further, management issued higher-than-expected rev guidance midpoint of \$33.1B (17% y/y) while non-GAAP EPS guidance midpoint of \$19.60 (5% y/y) came in slightly below consensus. That said, the focus has been on obesity portfolio (AMG 786) update this quarter, which remains ongoing (1H24). We expect investors to focus on obesity portfolio updates and expectations on the call. Maintain Neutral, \$315 PO.

## Top Questions for the Call

1) Obesity portfolio update and data expectations (AMG 786/133), 2) newer launches sales ramp (e.g., Tezspire, Evenity), 3) Tepezza's sales outlook and feedback, and 4) Uplinza myasthenia gravis and rocatinlimab atopic dermatitis expectations and competitive dynamics. Call at 4:30 PM ET. Dial-in: (888) 330-3637; Conf ID: 3058216

**Exhibit 1: Amgen Variance Table** 

4Q23 results for Amgen's key products

			40	23	4Q23 G	rowth	4Q23 Va	riance
\$ in millions	4Q	23	BofA	Cons	Q/Q	Y/Y	BofA	Cons
Aranesp & Epogen	374	IN-LINE	395	373	0%	-19%	(21)	1
Neulasta	239	BEAT	123	131	93%	8%	116	108
Otezla	629	BEAT	605	601	11%	2%	24	28
Enbrel	1,015	MISS	1,025	1,053	-2%	-8%	(10)	(38)
Prolia & Xgeva	1,634	BEAT	1,599	1,587	9%	11%	35	47
Evenity	318	IN-LINE	331	324	4%	41%	(13)	(6)
Repatha	417	MISS	437	434	3%	25%	(20)	(17)
Blincyto	241	IN-LINE	235	234	10%	47%	6	7
Biosimilars	390	MISS	398	411	1%	1%	(8)	(21)
Lumakras	77	IN-LINE	80	77	48%	8%	(3)	(0)
Tezspire	177	MISS	195	190	10%	124%	(18)	(13)
Total Revenue	8,196	BEAT	8,098	8,119	19%	20%	98	77
				4Q23	4Q2	3 Growth	4Q	23 Variance
\$ in millions	<b>4</b> Q	23	BofA	Cons	Q/Q	Y/Y	BofA	Cons
Revenue	8,196		8,098	8,119	19%	20%	98	77
COGS	1,278		1,161	1,250	12%	19%	117	28
SG&A	1,764		1,499	1,629	36%	20%	265	135
R&D	1,494		1,598	1,565	40%	16%	(104)	(71)
Net Income	2,543		2,564	2,494	-5%	15%	(21)	49
Non-GAAP EPS	4.71	BEAT	4.75	4.60	-5%	15%	(0.04)	0.11
Guidance	2	024 Guid	ance	2024	łE	Growth	Midpoint \	/ariance
	Low	High		BofA	Cons	Y/Y	BofA	Cons
Revenue (\$M)	32,400	33,800	Above	32,271	32,512	17.4%	829	588
Non-GAAP EPS	18.90	20.30	Below	19.75	19.83	5.1%	(0.15)	(0.23)

Source: BofA Global Research; VisibleAlpha, Bloomberg

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Price

321.97 USD Price Objective 315.00 USD Date Established 8-Jan-2024 Investment Opinion B-2-7 52-Week Range 211.71 USD - 329.72 USD Mrkt Val (mn) / Shares Out 172 311 USD / 535 2 Free Float 99.8% Average Daily Value (mn) 764.90 USD BofA Ticker / Exchange AMGN / NAS Bloomberg / Reuters AMGN US / AMGN.OQ ROE (2023E) 192 6% Net Dbt to Eqty (Dec-2022A) NA ESGMeter™ High

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## Amgen Inc. (AMGN)

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Upside risks to our price objective are 1) less than-expected base business erosion2) stronger-than-expected sales of Lumakras, Tezspire, Tepezza, and 3) competitor clinical trial failures

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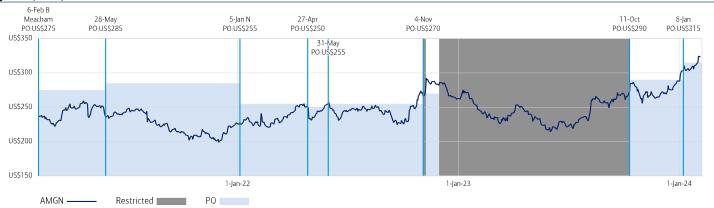
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