

Incyte Corporation

KOL feedback from dermatology update

Reiterate Rating: NEUTRAL | PO: 67.00 USD | Price: 59.33 USD

PN data is encouraging but we look for color on oppy

INCY presented ph 2 data for povorcitinib in PN and ruxolitinib cream in mild-to-moderate HS at AAD. Povor' met the primary endpoint of proportion of pts achieving NRS4 improvement at week 16, showing up to 54.1% vs 8.1% with placebo. Importantly, povor' demonstrated a fast median onset of response of 17 days at the highest dose. On rux' cream in HS, the study also met the primary endpoint showing significant reduction in AN count at week 16, but we note there was a high placebo rate and secondary endpoints did not show benefit. Mgmt noted this is likely due to the milder patient population studied in the trial and highlighted modified clinical endpoints would likely be needed. We think this introduces additional uncertainty for the regulatory path forward for the program. In our view, povor's results in PN are encouraging but we look for additional color on the commercial opportunity based on initial KOL feedback (more below). We therefore lower our pipeline value to \$2.5bn (prev. \$3bn), resulting in our new \$67 (prev. \$69). We reiterate our Neutral rating.

KOL thinks potential JAKi side effects could limit uptake

Our KOL was encouraged by the efficacy and the rapid onset of response of povor' in PN, which compared favorably to Dupixent. However, they noted they remain cautious on the safety profile of an oral systemic JAK inhibitor given the known side effect profile of the class despite not seeing any safety signals in the trial. They highlighted PN is associated with several comorbidities and is typically seen in older adults, which he thinks would limit uptake of a JAKi based on potential safety risk. He noted Dupixent has a highly favorable safety profile, which is their main concern in this patient population. They noted they would use povor' younger patients, which they estimate are around 20-30% of pts, if the efficacy profile holds in registrational trials. However, they caveated that PN pts are typically on other background medications and often refuse to go on additional systemic treatments. We will continue to look for further clinical validation and KOL feedback to inform the commercial opportunity for povor' in PN.

KOL thinks differentiation in HS in unclear

Our KOL highlighted that despite meeting the primary endpoint, they are cautious on the efficacy of rux' cream in HS given the high placebo response and lack of supportive secondary endpoint. They noted that while the data support some benefit, there is no clear differentiation over other topical treatments. In their view, the key unmet need remains on more efficacious systemic therapies for more severe pts. They also noted that povor's data in HS is not competitive compared to other agents like sonelokimab.

Estimates (Dec) (US\$)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
EPS	1.52	2.65	3.39	3.68	4.86
EPS Change (YoY)	-64.4%	74.3%	27.9%	8.6%	32.1%
Consensus EPS (Bloomberg)			4.56	5.40	6.33
DPS	0	0	0	0	0
Valuation (Dec)					
P/E	39.0x	22.4x	17.5x	16.1x	12.2x
EV / EBITDA*	14.1x	13.3x	11.0x	10.2x	7.8x
Free Cash Flow Yield*	6.7%	5.6%	7.2%	7.8%	10.1%
* For full definitions of <i>IQ</i> method SM measures, see page 5.					

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Stock Data

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Price Objective	67.00 USD
Date Established	13-Mar-2024
Investment Opinion	B-2-9
52-Week Range	50.27 USD - 76.04 USD
Mrkt Val (mn) / Shares Out	13,303 USD / 224.2
(mn)	
Free Float	82.8%
Average Daily Value (mn)	103.69 USD
BofA Ticker / Exchange	INCY / NAS
Bloomberg / Reuters	INCY US / INCY.OQ
ROE (2024E)	13.7%
Net Dbt to Eqty (Dec-2023A)	-69.9%
ESGMeter™	High

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See page 3 for definitions of abbreviations used in the report.

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<i>iQ</i> method sM − Bus Performance*					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026
Return on Capital Employed	8.5%	8.8%	9.7%	9.1%	11.0%
Return on Equity	8.4%	12.6%	13.7%	12.5%	14.1%
Operating Margin	21.1%	19.6%	22.5%	23.8%	29.0%
Free Cash Flow	892	738	953	1,039	1,337
i Q method [™] – Quality of Earnings*					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026
Cash Realization Ratio	2.8x	1.4x	1.3x	1.3x	1.3>
Asset Replacement Ratio	1.1x	1.0x	0.9x	0.8x	0.73
Tax Rate	35.6%	28.4%	23.8%	22.8%	18.5%
Net Debt-to-Equity Ratio	-66.8%	-69.9%	-72.8%	-74.9%	-76.9%
Interest Cover	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
Income Statement Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026
Sales	2,747	3,165	3,376	3,460	3,781
% Change	18.3%	15.2%	6.7%	2.5%	9.3%
Gross Profit	3,188	3,441	3,714	3,839	4,207
% Change	12.4%	7.9%	8.0%	3.4%	9.6%
EBITDA	647	689	828	893	1,168
% Change	0.6%	6.5%	20.1%	7.8%	30.9%
Net Interest & Other Income	(50)	214	253	255	258
Net Income (Adjusted)	341	598	771	832	1,104
% Change	-64.1%	75.4%	29.0%	8.0%	32.7%
Free Cash Flow Data (Dec)					2025
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026
Net Income from Cont Operations (GAAP)	341	598	771	832	1,104
Depreciation & Amortization	68	69	69	70	71
Change in Working Capital	199	(56) 0	(61)	(67)	(74
Deferred Taxation Charge	57 306	198	0 237	0) 20-
Other Adjustments, Net Capital Expenditure	(78)	(70)	(63)	261 (57)	287
Free Cash Flow	892	738	953	1,039	(51 1,337
% Change	56.9%	-17.2%	29.1%	9.0%	28.7%
Share / Issue Repurchase	35	-17.270	29.170	0	20.7%
Cost of Dividends Paid	0	0	0	0	(
Change in Debt	(33)	(33)	(33)	(33)	(33
Balance Sheet Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026
Cash & Equivalents	2,951	3,617	4,477	5,398	6,586
Trade Receivables	645	709	780	858	944
Other Current Assets	497	528	576	645	739
Property, Plant & Equipment	739	741	735	721	702
Other Non-Current Assets	1,009	1,035	1,066	1,104	1,149
Total Assets	5,841	6,630	7,634	8,727	10,120
Short-Term Debt	0	0	0	0	(
Other Current Liabilities	1,157	1,185	1,215	1,249	1,286
Long-Term Debt	30	29	28	28	2
	284	284	284	284	284
Other Non-Current Liabilities	201				
Other Non-Current Liabilities Total Liabilities	1,471	1,498	1,528	1,560	
		1,498 5,132 6,630	1,528 6,107 7,634	1,560 7,166 8,727	1,596 8,524 10,120

Company Sector

Biotechnology

Company Description

Incyte Corporation (INCY) is a biotechnology company developing oral and topical treatments for oncology and dermatology indications. The company's main asset is Jakafi for MF and PV. INCY's Opzelura (ruxolitinib cream) was recently approved for the treatment of AD and impending vitiligo sNDA submission. In addition, INCY has a broad early clinical oncology pipeline.

Investment Rationale

We rate INCY Neutral. In our view, Jakafi is fully baked into our valuation. We are encouraged by initial strong uptake of Opzelura but expect more measured growth near-term and look for clarity on the long-term opportunity. Though the early-stage pipeline has little clinical data in large indications and commands a large amount of R&D spend, positive clinical data would provide larger long-term upside.

Stock Data

Average Daily Volume 1,747,715

Quarterly Earnings Estimates

	2023	2024
Q1	0.10A	0.67E
Q2	0.90A	0.75E
Q3	0.76A	0.79E
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Abbreviations

AAD: American Academy of Dermatology

AN: abscess and inflammatory nodule

HS: Hidradenitis suppurativa

INCY: Incyte

JAKi: Janus kinsae inhibitor

KOL: Key opinion leader

Mgmt: management

PN: Prurigo nodularis

pts: patients



Price objective basis & risk

Incyte Corporation (INCY)

Our PO of \$67 for INCY consists of \$44/share for Jakafi/Jakavi, \$19/share for Ruxolitinib cream, \$3/share for Pemazyre, -\$2/share for Monjuvi, \$3/share for Olumiant royalty, \$0.2/share for Iclusig, \$0.5/share for Tabrecta royalty, -\$21/share for pipeline, and the remainder in net cash. We apply a weighted-average cost of capital (WACC) of 9% for commercial-stage assets, 10% for late-stage clinical pipeline, and 11% for earlier-stage clinical pipeline with no terminal value.

Upside risks to our PO are 1) positive data from clinical trials in the pipeline, 2) better than expected results from its marketed assets, 3) additional updates from early-stage assets.

Downside risks to our PO are 1) failure of Jakafi or Opzelura to meet our estimates, 2) business development events that investors view negatively, or 3) negative data in clinical trials.

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	Ultragenyx Pharmaceuticals	RARE	RARE US	Tazeen Ahmad
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Business Performance	Numerator	Denominator
Return On Capital Employed	NOPAT = (EBIT + Interest Income) \times (1 - Tax Rate) + Goodwill Amortization	Total Assets — Current Liabilities + ST Debt + Accumulated Goodwill
		Amortization
Return On Equity	Net Income	Shareholders' Equity
Operating Margin	Operating Profit	Sales
Earnings Growth	Expected 5 Year CAGR From Latest Actual	N/A
Free Cash Flow	Cash Flow From Operations — Total Capex	N/A
Quality of Earnings	Numerator	Denominator
Cash Realization Ratio	Cash Flow From Operations	Net Income
Asset Replacement Ratio	Capex	Depreciation
Tax Rate	Tax Charge	Pre-Tax Income
Net Debt-To-Equity Ratio	Net Debt = Total Debt - Cash & Equivalents	Total Equity
Interest Cover	EBIT	Interest Expense
Valuation Toolkit	Numerator	Denominator
Price / Earnings Ratio	Current Share Price	Diluted Earnings Per Share (Basis As Specified)
Price / Book Value	Current Share Price	Shareholders' Equity / Current Basic Shares
Dividend Yield	Annualised Declared Cash Dividend	Current Share Price
Free Cash Flow Yield	Cash Flow From Operations – Total Capex	Market Cap = Current Share Price × Current Basic Shares
Enterprise Value / Sales	EV = Current Share Price × Current Shares + Minority Equity + Net Debt + Other LT Liabilities	Sales

EV / EBITDA Enterprise Value Basic EBIT + Depreciation + Amortization

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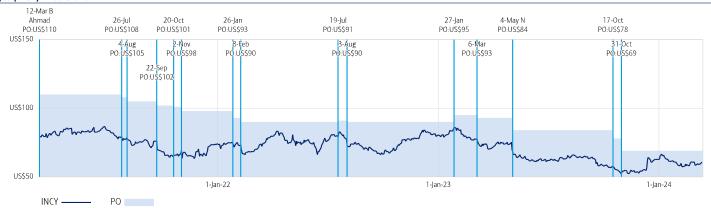
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Sell	70	18.23%	Sell	29	41.43%

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