

Endocyte, Inc. (ECYT)

Endocyte Looking for Conditional Approval of EC145 and EC20 in Europe

April 26, 2011

Price
\$9.49

Rating
OUTPERFORM

12-Month Price Target
\$20

- ECYT announced that the company will apply for conditional approval in Europe of its EC145 folate-targeted small molecule chemotherapy for ovarian cancer and its companion diagnostic EC20, based on its Phase II data. Recall that EC145 has demonstrated positive results in ovarian cancer in Phase II studies, and that EC20 can identify patients whose tumors over-express the folate receptor that EC145 targets.
- We estimate EU revenues beginning in 2013, based on accelerated approval in the region. Recall that conditional approval in the EU allows access to therapies in areas of high unmet medical need. Recall also that a conditional marketing application is valid for 1 year, renewable, and can be converted to full marketing authorization upon completion of obligatory studies determined by the EMA.
- Two recent conditional approvals, Arzerra and Votrient, took 14 and 16 months, respectively, from application submission to conditional approval.
- Management will update the status and the plan to European registration on the company's May 5th conference call. Because management's update is coming a month earlier than we had anticipated, there could be upside to our timing of possible conditional EU approval and launch.
- Reiterate OUTPERFORM rating and \$20 price target. We arrive at our \$20 price target by taking the sum of the per share values of US sales and EU royalties in 2015. We value the US opportunity for EC145 in the platinum resistant ovarian cancer setting at \$10 which is derived by taking 6x our 2015 sales estimate, discounted at 25% annually. We value the EU opportunity for EC145 in the platinum-resistant ovarian cancer setting at \$10 a share, based upon a 6x multiple of EU royalties, discounted 25% annually.
- Risks to our price target include 1) failure of EC145 for PROC in the clinic; and 2) failure to receive marketing approval in the US or the EU for EC145 for PROC.

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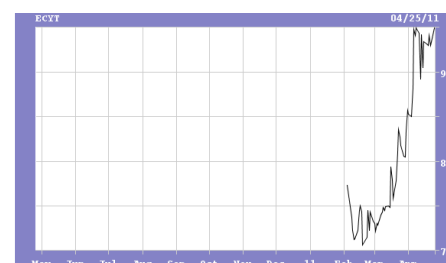
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Company Information

Shares Outst (M)	30.2
Market Cap	\$281.7
52-Wk Range	\$6.15 - \$9.84
Book Value/sh	\$2.02
Cash/sh	\$3.25
Enterprise Value (M)	\$185.1
LT Debt/Cap %	0
Cash Burn (M)	\$43.4

Company Description

Endocyte is developing novel small molecule drug conjugates and companion imaging prognostics. Their lead candidate, EC145, is in PIII trials in the PROC setting, targets cancers expressing the folate receptor that is also expressed on many solid tumors.



Source: Thomson Reuters

FYE Dec	2010A	2011E			2012E		
REV	ACTUAL	CURR.	PREV.	CONS.	CURR.	PREV.	CONS.
Q1 Mar	\$0.0A	\$0.0E	--	--	\$0.0E	--	--
Q2 Jun	0.0A	0.0E	--	--	0.0E	--	--
Q3 Sep	0.0A	0.0E	--	--	0.0E	--	--
Q4 Dec	0.0A	0.0E	--	--	0.0E	--	--
Year*	\$0.0A	\$0.0E	--	--	\$0.0E	--	--
Change	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
EPS	ACTUAL	CURR.	PREV.	CONS.	CURR.	PREV.	CONS.
Q1 Mar	\$0.00A	(\$0.55)E	--	--	(\$0.38)E	--	--
Q2 Jun	0.00A	(0.35)E	--	--	(0.43)E	--	--
Q3 Sep	(1.10)A	(0.36)E	--	--	(0.38)E	(0.37)E	--
Q4 Dec	(0.22)A	(0.36)E	--	--	(0.37)E	--	--
Year*	(\$1.32)A	(\$1.57)E	(\$1.44)E	--	(\$1.56)E	(\$1.55)E	--
P/E	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Change	93%	-19%	--	--	1%	--	--

Consensus estimates are from Thomson First Call.

* Numbers may not add up due to rounding.

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Potential Upcoming Milestones

H1:11 Initiate Phase III trial for EC145 in women with platinum-resistant ovarian cancer

H1:11 Initiate Phase III trial for EC20 folate imaging agent (companion prognostic for EC145)

H1:11 End of Phase II meeting with EU EMEA

May 5th 2011 Update the Street on the anticipated route and timeline to EU approval

June 4-8th Final Phase II PRECEDENT trial data for EC145 at ASCO (Chicago, IL)

H2:11 Potential filing for accelerated approval in the EU with existing platinum-resistant ovarian cancer PFS data

YE:11 PSMA targeting SMDC trial expected to be complete

YE:11 Complete Phase I Trial for EC0489 DAVLBH payload SMDC in solid tumors

YE:11 Complete Phase I Trial for EC0225 DAVLBH/mitomycin-C payload SMDC in solid tumors

Q1:12 Overall survival data from Phase IIb PRECEDENT trial of EC145 in platinum-resistant ovarian cancer

2012 Potential EU launch if accelerated approval granted by the EMA

2013 Final analysis of Phase III PROCEED trial of EC145

2014 Potential US launch of EC145 in PROC setting

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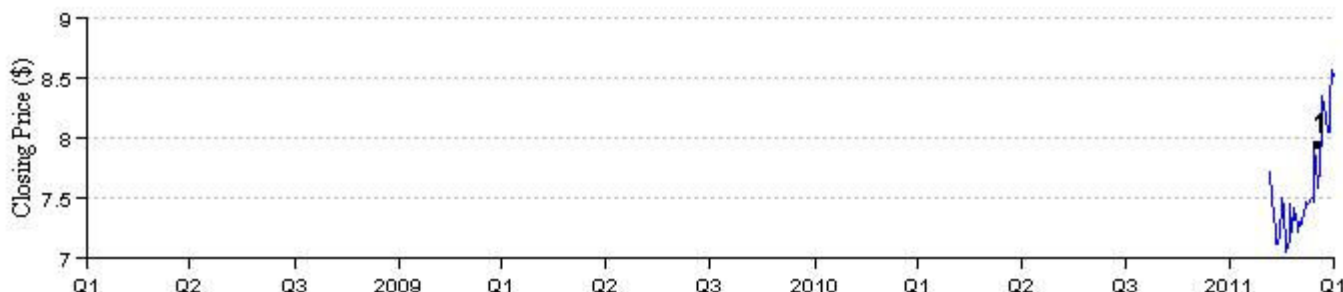
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