#### **OUTPERFORM**

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### OPHTHOTECH CORPORATION

R&D Day Highlights a New Era for Age-Related Macular **Degeneration Treatment** 

- · Bottom Line: OPHT hosted an R&D day on Friday where mgmt. put its Ph. IIb data and Ph. III strategy into perspective with assistance from an impressive panel of physicians from some of the largest academic/ community retinal treatment practices. We came away increasingly positive on the company's positioning for Fovista (wet AMD) and Zimura (dry and wet AMD). Reiterate OP rating and \$45 price target.
- A wealth of clinical data has begun to coalesce over the last six months suggesting that VEGF monotherapy upregulates PDGF expression, which over the long term can lead to more fibrosis and geographic atrophy precipitating vision loss that is independent of fluid leakage reductions. The physicians believe this explains why anti-VEGF treatment outcomes over longer time periods in the real world are disappointing relative to clinical trials which are usually just 1-2 years. Many of the physicians stated that VEGF therapy has hit a wall and they are frustrated since a large percentage of their patients now have much worse vision than when they started treatment. Various clinical studies corroborate these panelists' concerns, including previously published SEVEN-UP data which showed a long-term regression to baseline in anti-VEGF treated individuals and now a recent study of >11K Lucentistreated patients published in Ophthalmology, which demonstrated that patients reverted to pre-treatment visual acuity levels by year 3 and declined further thereafter.
- · All of the physicians expressed a strong desire for separate VEGF- and PDGF-inhibitor injections so that they may find the right balance of therapy for different patients at different times in their disease. They emphasized that a second injection has long been done for other eye drugs and the vast majority of time is devoted to preparations which are already done for the patient's first injection. Several of the physicians stated that they saw very little difference among the three VEGF biologics, and would like to use Fovista with Avastin, which depending on the price of the former could render this combination no more costly than Lucentis or Eylea. As self-proclaimed "tinkerers," the physicians are happy that OPHT plans to run studies exploring the optimal sequencing and spacing of VEGF and PDGF therapy.
- Outside of the pivotal Phase III program for Fovista, OPHT also plans to initiate other smaller Fovista studies and a Phase II/III Zimura (dry AMD) which should provide additional catalysts in 2015 and 2016. The importance of the complement cascade to dry AMD validates the potential of Zimura, which in Phase IIa demonstrated a dose-dependent ability to reduce geographic atrophy (GA) which afflicts a more severe cohort of dry AMD patients (~25%). OPHT also has plans for a triple combination study of Zimura, Fovista and a VEGF inhibitor in resistant wet AMD patients and a Fovista/anti-VEGF reduction of treatment burden study, each which could produce results in 2015.

**Key Stats:** (NASDAQ:OPHT)

S&P 600 Health Care Index: 1,310.69 Price: \$36.96 Price Target: \$45.00

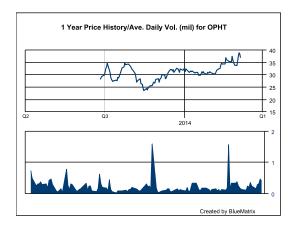
Methodology:

DCF, 12% WACC, 2% Terminal Growth

Rate

52 Week High: \$42.54 52 Week Low: \$22.61 Shares Outstanding (mil): 35.7 Market Capitalization (mil): \$1,319.5 Cash Per Share: \$8.07 Dividend (ann): \$0.00 Dividend Yield: 0.0%

General: fully diluted shares outstanding, net cash per share YE13



Dec Yr	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	FY Rev	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	FY EPS	P/E
2013A		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		(12.39)	(10.26)	( 0.65)	(6.34)	NM
2014E	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	( 0.67)	(0.70)	(0.74)	(0.77)	( 2.89)	NM
2015E	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					( 2.91)	NM

Source: Company Information and Leerink Partners LLC Research

2Q13 Revenue and EPS are 1H13 Actuals, since quarterly numbers not provided in S1. GAAP EPS presented.



## **INVESTMENT THESIS**

We rate OPHT shares Outperform. Ophthotech is a late stage biopharmaceutical company that is primarily focused on the development of Fovista, an anti-Platelet Derived Growth Factor (PDGF) agent that has shown a statistically significant capacity to augment vision in wet Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) patients. In Phase IIb, a combination of Fovista and Roche/ Genentech's Lucentis was able to provide patients with a ~62% additional benefit over Lucentis monotherapy on the Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study (ETDRS), a widely-used standardized chart of vision testing. A Phase III Fovista pivotal trial is underway that we believe to be de-risked based on its strong similarities to Phase II, greater statistical powering, and longer duration, the latter of which could beneficial to OPHT since the delta between the Fovista add-on arm and the Lucentis monotherapy arm seemed to be widening at the end of the Phase IIb trial. While anti-VEGF (vascular endothelial growth factor) treatments such as Lucentis and REGN's (OP) Eylea have achieved rapid commercial success and strong uptake in wet AMD, we see an opportunity for Fovista to upgrade the wet AMD standard-of-care, especially in patients who begin to plateau or even decline after receiving currently available treatments for multiple years. Our view is corroborated by the results of the Lucentis long-term visual outcomes HORIZON extension study which showed that after 5 years of therapy, the aggregate visual capacity of Lucentis-treated patients returned to baseline pre-treatment levels. There are approximately 1.3 million cases of wet AMD in the US, and our belief in the commercial attractiveness of Fovista stems not only from its efficacy but literature estimates that the prevalence of wet AMD is growing rapidly with an estimated ~200,000 additional wet AMD diagnoses per year. We expect Fovista to ultimately be indicated as an add-on therapy to any anti-VEGF treatment as Fovista is being studied in combination with each of Lucentis, Eylea, and Roche's Avastin in the ongoing Phase III program. OPHT holds strong, method of treatment patent protection over Fovista in the US, EU, and Japan that expires in 2027 with extensions.

### **VALUATION**

We estimate a ~\$45 per share value for OPHT based on a discounted cash flow analysis that assumes a 12% discount rate and a 2% terminal growth rate. We project Fovista revenue growth from 2018 through 2027 in the US and EU and cut it significantly thereafter at the expiration of OPHT's method-of-treatment patent. We see upside to our valuation from either: (1) less robust competition than we anticipate, or (2) the potential for Fovista to be best-in-class even in the face of anti-PDGF competition from co-formulated or augmented anti-VEGF agents.

### RISKS TO VALUATION

Risks to our OPHT valuation include the possibility of disappointing clinical data, commercial shortfalls, or higher-than-anticipated regulatory hurdles. Since OPHT solely has one product in late-stage development, any of these could impact the stock significantly.

Ophthotech P&L (\$MM except EPS)	2012	1H13	3Q13	4Q13	2013	1Q14E	2Q14E	3Q14E	4Q14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E
Fovista Product Sales by OPHT (p/w) Royalties on EU Fovista Sales Zumira (ARC1905) Sales		- - -	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -					-	-	241.8 19.7 -
Royalties to Novo Royalties to OSI (eyetech) COGS R&D	- - - 6.8	- - 6.7	- - 11.1	- - 15.4	- - - 33.2	- - - 16.0	- - 17.0	- - - 18.0	- - - 19.0	- - - 70.0	- - - 84.0	- - - 85.7	- - - 87.4	19.2 9.6 29.0 78.7
SG&A	6.9	5.0	4.2	5.1	14.2	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.4	23.8	25.0	26.2	46.9	53.2
Operating Expenses	13.7	11.7	15.3	20.4	47.4	21.5	22.8	24.1	25.4	93.8	109.0	111.9	134.3	189.7
Operating Income	(13.7)	(11.7)	(15.3)	(20.4)	(47.4)	(21.5)	(22.8)	(24.1)	(25.4)	(93.8)	(109.0)	(111.9)	(134.3)	71.7
Interest income, expense (net) Other income, expense (net)	(0.5) (0.3)	(1.5) (1.5)	- (0.9)	0.1	(1.5) (2.3)	- -	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ЕВТ	(14.5)	(14.6)	(16.1)	(20.4)	(51.1)	(21.5)	(22.8)	(24.1)	(25.4)	(93.8)	(109.0)	(111.9)	(134.3)	71.7
Tax Expense (Benefit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Income	(14.5)	(14.6)	(16.1)	(20.4)	(51.1)	(21.5)	(22.8)	(24.1)	(25.4)	(93.8)	(109.0)	(111.9)	(134.3)	71.7
Accretion of Preferred Dividends	(7.1)	(3.6)	(2.3)	-	(5.9)	-	-	-	-	-				
Net Loss Attributable to Common	(21.6)	(18.2)	(18.4)	(20.4)	(57.0)									
Diluted EPS	(2.52)	(12.39)	(10.26)	(0.65)	(6.34)	(0.67)	(0.70)	(0.74)	(0.77)	(2.89)	(2.91)	(2.91)	(3.40)	1.63
Basic Shares Outstanding Diluted Shares Outstanding	8.6 8.6	1.5 1.5	1.8 1.8	31.4 34.8	9.0 12.7	32.2 35.7	32.4 35.9	32.6 36.1	32.8 36.3	32.5 36.0	37.5 41.0	38.5 42.0	39.5 43.0	40.5 44.0

Note: Basic and Diluted Shares Outstanding for 1H13 and 3Q13 are lower since Ophthotech officially became a public company on September 25, 2013 after which we OPHT had 31.4MM basic shares outstanding for 4Q13

Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement (\$MM)	2012	1H13	3Q13	4Q13	2013	1Q14E	2Q14E	3Q14E	4Q14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E
					•				•	•	•			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4.3	39.9	236.1	210.6	210.6	288.0	267.0	244.9	263.2	263.2	163.9	187.0	64.5	147.7
Debt	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Change in Cash	(2.1)	28.0	196.2	(25.5)	198.8	77.4	(21.0)	(22.2)	18.3	52.6	(99.3)	23.0	(122.5)	83.3
Cash Flow From Operations	(12.1)	(13.7)	(14.0)	(22.8)	(47.4)	(19.8)	(21.0)	(22.2)	(23.4)	(86.3)	(100.3)	(103.0)	(123.5)	82.3
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Net Income	(14.5)	(14.6)	(16.1)	(20.4)	(51.1)	(21.5)	(22.8)	(24.1)	(25.4)				, ,	
Stock Option Expense	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.6	3.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	7.5	8.7	9.0	10.7	10.5
Other	0.8	-	-	(4.0)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash Flow From Investing	_	-	-	(2.7)	(2.7)	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Sale (Purchase) of Marketable Securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CapEx	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Other	-	-	-	(2.7)	(2.7)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash Flow From Financing	11.0	41.7	192.0	-	221.7	97.2	-	-	41.7	138.9	-	125.0		
Equity Issuance (Buyback/Costs)	0.0		192.0	-	192.0	55.5	-	-	-	55.5	-	125.0		
Debt Issuance (Buyback/Costs)	11.0	-	-	-	(12.0)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other		41.7		-	41.7	41.7	-	-	41.7	83.4		-		

Source: SEC Filings and Leerink Partners Estimates

OPTH DCF Analysis, \$MM	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	TV
Free Cash Flow to Equity	(47.4)	(86.3)	(100.3)	(103.0)	(123.5)	82.3	185.9	257.6	331.5	353.9	366.7	384.0	399.7	415.4	419.3	294.3	214.1	
Discount Periods	0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Discounted FCFE	-	(86.3)	(89.5)	(82.1)	(87.9)	52.3	105.5	130.5	150.0	142.9	132.3	123.6	114.9	106.6	96.1	60.2	39.1	399.0

NPV	\$ 1,307.18
Net Cash 1Q14	\$ 288.02
OPHT Per Shr Val	\$ 44.73
Implied Mkt. Cap	\$ 1,595.2

Cost of Equity	12%
TG	2%
Diluted Shrs. Outstanding	35.7

Source: Leerink Partners Estimates

	Cost of Capital													
			10%		11%		12%		13%		14%			
	-1%	\$	52.51	\$	46.76	\$	41.90	\$	37.75	\$	34.18			
Terminal	0%	\$	53.94	\$	47.81	\$	42.69	\$	38.35	\$	34.63			
Growth	1%	\$	55.70	\$	49.08	\$	43.62	\$	39.04	\$	35.16			
Rate	2%	\$	57.90	\$	50.62	\$	44.73	\$	39.86	\$	35.78			
	3%	\$	60.72	\$	52.56	\$	46.10	\$	40.85	\$	36.50			

Source: Leerink Partners Estimates

Wet AMD Revenue Model - US	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Total Wet AMD Patients	1,875,000	2,075,000	2,275,000	2,475,000	2,675,000	2,875,000	3,075,000	3,275,000
New Wet AMD Patients	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
VEGF Therapy Penetration New Ptnt Penetration	49%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
New VEGF Patients	98,000.00	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total Wet AMD Patients on VEGF therapy	670,442	770,442	870,442	970,442	1,070,442	1,170,442	1,270,442	1,370,442
Lucentis Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	30%	28%	26%	24%	23%	22%	21%	20%
Patients on Lucentis	197,780	215,724	226,315	232,906	246,202	257,497	266,793	274,088
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)	-	-	-	-	20%	20%	20%	20%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	49,240	51,499	53,359	54,818
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	22%	28%
# Patients on Lucentis + Fovista	-	-	-	-	-	7,725	11,739	15,349
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0.0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to OPHT (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-	\$0.0	\$98.5	\$144.4	\$179.6
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	80%	80%	80%	80%
Probability Weighted Revenue to OPTH	-	-	-	-	\$0.0	\$78.8	\$115.5	\$143.7
Eylea Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	24%	26%	28%	31%	33%	34%	35%	36%
Patients on Eylea	157,554	200,315	243,724	300,837	353,246	397,950	444,655	493,359
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)	-	-	-	-	20%	20%	20%	20%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	70,649	79,590	88,931	98,672
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	20%	25%
# Patients on Eylea + Fovista	-	-	-	-	-	11,939	17,786	24,668
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0.0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to OPHT (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-	0	152.2	218.8	288.6
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	65%	65%	65%	65%
Probability Weighted Revenue to OPTH	-	-	-	-	0	98.9	142.2	187.6
Avastin Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	47%	46%	46%	45%	44%	44%	44%	44%
Patients on Avastin	315,108	354,403	400,403	436,699	470,994	514,994	558,994	602,994
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)	-	-	-	-	15%	15%	15%	15%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	70,649	77,249	83,849	90,449
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	18%	22%
# Patients on Avastin + Fovista	-	-	-	-	-	7,725	15,093	19,899
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0.0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to OPHT (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-	0	98.5	185.6	232.8
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	65%	65%	65%	65%
Probability Weighted Revenue to OPTH	-	-	-	-	0	64.0	120.7	151.3
Fovista Patients on Drug	-		-	-	-	27,388	44,618	59,916
Fovista Overall Penetration of US VEGF-treated Patients	-	-	-	-	-	2.3%	3.5%	4.4%
Gross Fovista Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	349	549	701
Risk-Adjusted Fovista Sales to P&L	_	_	_	_	\$0.0	242	378	483

Competitive Scenarios	Probability
1 - PDGF/VEGF Competition Enters 2021	75%
2 - No PDGF/VEGF Competition	25%

Fovista/Lucentis Combo Therapy Approval Probability	80%
Fovista/Eylea Combo Therapy Approval Probability	65%
Fovista/Avastin Combo Therapy Approval Probability	65%
Fovista Cost Per Injection	\$1,500

Source: SEC Filings, Company Reports and Leerink Partners Estimates

Wet AMD Revenue Model - EU and Japan	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Total EU/Japan Wet AMD Patients (MM)	2,000,000	2,200,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,800,000	3,000,000	3,200,000	3,400,000
New Wet AMD Patients	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
VEGF Therapy Penetration New Ptnt Penetration		20%	22%	26%	30%	35%	40%	40%
New VEGF Patients		40,000	44,000	52,000	60,000	70,000	80,000	80,000
Total Wet AMD Patients on VEGF therapy	285,249	325,249	369,249	421,249	481,249	551,249	631,249	711,249
Lucentis Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	63%	60%	58%	54%	50%	48%	46%	44%
Patients on Lucentis	180,000	195,149	214,164	227,474	240,625	264,600	290,375	312,950
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)		-	-	-	20%	20%	20%	20%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	48,125	52,920	58,075	62,590
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	18%	25%
# Patients on Lucentis + Fovista	-	-	-	-	-	5,292	10,453	15,647
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to Partner (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-	0	54.0	102.9	146.5
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	80%	80%	80%	80%
Probability Weighted Revenue to EU Partner	-	-	-	-	0	43.2	82.3	117.2
Eylea Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	13%	18%	22%	28%	34%	38%	41%	43%
Patients on Eylea	37,710	58,545	81,235	117,950	163,625	209,475	255,656	305,837
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)	-	-	-	-	20%	20%	20%	20%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	32,725	41,895	51,131	61,167
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	15%	20%
# Patients on Eylea + Fovista	-	-	-	-		4,189	7,670	12,233
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to Partner (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-	0	42.7	75.5	114.5
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	65%	65%	65%	65%
Probability Weighted Revenue to EU Partner	-	-	-	-	0	27.8	49.1	74.4
Avastin Wet AMD Treaters Penetration	24%	22%	20%	18%	16%	14%	14%	13%
Patients on Avastin	68,460	71,555	73,850	75,825	77,000	77,175	85,219	92,462
% not well controlled (suited for Fovista add-on)	-	-	-	-	15%	15%	15%	15%
# Fovista Candidates	-	-	-	-	11,550	11,576	12,783	13,869
% add-on Fovista	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	13%	17%
# Patients on Avastin + Fovista	-	-	-	-	-	1,158	1,662	2,358
Fovista Cost Per Injection	-	-	-	-	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Fovista Injections Per Year	-	-	-	-	0	8.5	8.2	7.8
Revenue to Partner (Non risk adjusted)	-	-	-	-		11.8 65%	16.4 65%	22.1
Approval Probability	-	-	-	-	65% <b>0.0</b>	7.7	10.6	65% <b>14.3</b>
Probability Weighted Revenue to EU Partner	-	-	-	-	0.0	7.7	10.6	14.3
Fovista Overall Penetration of EU VEGF-treated Patients	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	3%	4%
Gross Fovista Revenues to Partner	-	-	-	-	-	109	195	283
Risk-Adjusted Fovista Revenues to Partner	-	-	-	-	-	79	195	206
Royalty Rate on Fovista Sales	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%

Competitive Scenarios
1 - PDGF/VEGF Competition Enters 2021 75%
2 - No PDGF/VEGF Competition 25%

Fovista Assumptions	
Fovista/Lucentis Combo Therapy Approval Probability	80%
Fovista/Eylea Combo Therapy Approval Probability	65%
Fovista/Avastin Combo Therapy Approval Probability	65%
Fovista Cost Per Injection	\$1,200
Royalty Rate on Fovista Sales	25%

Fovista Injections Per Year 0 8.5 8.2 7.8

Source: SEC Filings, Company Reports and Leerink Partners Estimates

OPHT Milestones						
Product	roduct Event					
Fovista	Additional Indication Trials	2014				
ARC1905	Clinical Trial Initiation	2014				
Fovista	Additional Indication Data	2015				
Fovista	Pivotal Phase III Data	Mid-2016				
Fovista	NDA/MAA Filings	2H16				
Fovista	FDA/EMA Approval	2H17				

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# **Disclosures Appendix Analyst Certification**

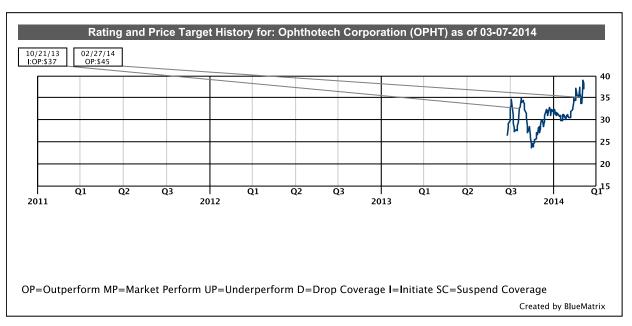
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### **Valuation**

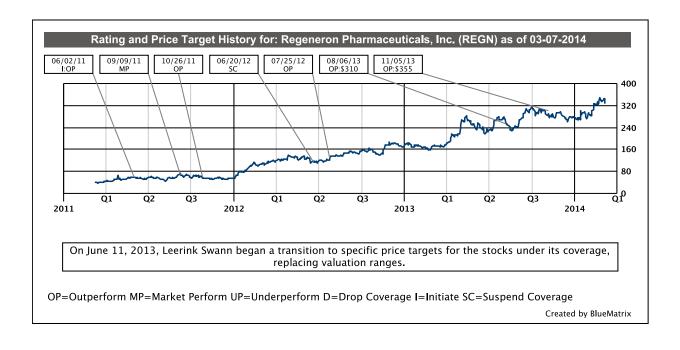
We estimate a ~\$45 per share value for OPHT based on a discounted cash flow analysis that assumes a 12% discount rate and a 2% terminal growth rate. We project Fovista revenue growth from 2018 through 2027 in the US and EU and cut it significantly thereafter at the expiration of OPHT's method-of-treatment patent. We see upside to our valuation from either: (1) less robust competition than we anticipate, or (2) the potential for Fovista to be best-in-class even in the face of anti-PDGF competition from co-formulated or augmented anti-VEGF agents.

### **Risks to Valuation**

Risks to our OPHT valuation include the possibility of disappointing clinical data, commercial shortfalls, or higher-thananticipated regulatory hurdles. Since OPHT solely has one product in late-stage development, any of these could impact the stock significantly.









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Rating	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	
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SELL [UP]	0	0.00	0	0.00	

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For the purposes of these definitions the relevant benchmark will be the S&P 600® Health Care Index for issuers with a market capitalization of less than \$2 billion and the S&P 500® Health Care Index for issuers with a market capitalization over \$2 billion.



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