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On 10/31, FPRX (BUY, \$12.21) announced the completion of dosing in the first cohort of patients enrolled in the company's ongoing Ph.I trial of FPA008 ('008), an anti-CSF1R mAb, in rheumatoid arthritis (RA). Although this is a very early step in the drug's development, we believe the relatively rapid progress FPRX has made with '008 is encouraging. As a reminder, the Ph.I trial is initially assessing '008 in healthy volunteers, with plans to move the mAb into early testing in RA towards the end of '14. The first safety/PK/PD results from the healthy volunteer portion of the trial are expected in 2H14. Although we generally do not view healthy volunteer results as a major catalysts for stocks, we continue to believe the early '008 safety results will be important, given the drug's potentially more efficacious profile vs. the anti-TNFs. Logically, this profile could potentially also lead to increased side effects, but we believe this is unlikely, based on '008's specific reduction inflammatory monocytes vs. normal monocytes in preclinical models. We believe FPRX is attractive to LT investors on FP-1039's broad potential in solid tumors with significant additional upside optionality from the success of FPA008 in RA. We see no reason for the recent downside in the stock (-12% vs. NBI -3% over past 5 trading days) and believe it offers an excellent entry point.

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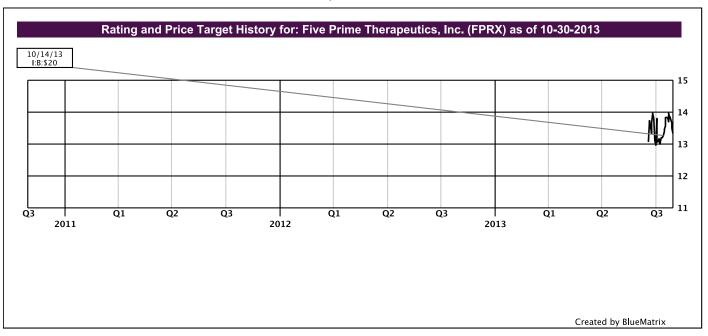
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