

# **Esperion Therapeutics Inc**

# **COMPANY AND PIPELINE OVERVIEW REPORT**

A comprehensive coverage of the company and a summary of the drug pipeline portfolio.

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Number of drugs associated with the company or subsidiary that are currently in active development, i.e. the development status for the drug(s) is one of the following: Discovery, Clinical, Phase II, Phase III, Pre-registration, Registered, Launched, or Suspended.

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A count of deals where the company or one of its subsidiaries is the primary company.

#### **Key Indications**

Displays top ten key indications for the company and its subsidiaries based on frequency (indications occurring with high and identical frequency are always included, and this may result in more than ten Key Indications being listed). Includes both indications associated with patents where the company is patent owner and indications associated with drugs in active development. A drug is classified as 'active' if it features on a row (or rows) in the current development status table where the status is one of the following: Discovery, Clinical, Phase I, Phase II, Phase III, Pre-registration, Registered, Launched, or Suspended.

#### **Key Target-based Actions**

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#### **Key Technologies**

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# **Esperion Therapeutics Inc**

#### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

Company Name	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Parent Company Name	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Website	http://www.esperion.com/
Country	US
Number of Drugs in Active Development	3
Number of Inactive Drugs	10
Number of Patents as Owner	25
Number of Patents as Third Party	3
Number of Deals	4
Key Indications	Non-insulin dependent diabetes, Cardiovascular disease, Hypercholesterolemia, Metabolic disorder, Obesity, Lipid metabolism disorder, Alzheimers disease, Breast tumor, Colon tumor, Diabetic nephropathy, Diabetic retinopathy, Prostate tumor
Key Target-based Actions	AMP activated protein kinase stimulator,ATP citrate lyase inhibitor,Unspecified enzyme stimulator,Apolipoprotein A1 agonist,Apolipoprotein A1 modulator,Apolipoprotein agonist
Key Technologies	Small molecule therapeutic,Oral formulation,Biological therapeutic,Peptide,Enzyme,Intravenous formulation,Liposome formulation injectable,Formulation preservation,Injectable formulation,Protein recombinant

#### **COMPANY PROFILE**

#### **SUMMARY**

Esperion Therapeutics is an Ann Arbor-based company that focuses on the discovery and development of HDL, cardiovascular and metabolic disease therapeutics. The company was formed in July 1998, and was acquired by Pfizer in March 2004. However in May 2008, Pfizer spun out Esperion to private investor.

#### **COMPANY LOCATION**

In July 2001, the company was planning to open a satellite facility in Kalamazoo, MI for its chemistry group for the discovery of novel therapeutic compounds for the treatment of cardiovascular and metabolic diseases. Under the terms of the leasing arrangement, Esperion would occupy laboratory space in McCracken Hall at Western Michigan University (WMU). Esperion would then relocate, upon completion, to a state-of-the-art R&D laboratory that would be constructed on the engineering campus of WMU at the Business Technology and Research Park.

#### **ACQUISITIONS AND SPIN-OFFS**

In December 2003, Pfizer Inc entered into an agreement to acquire Esperion in a \$1.3 billion cash-for-shares transaction. Esperion was to operate as a division of the Pfizer Global R&D organization, and was to remain in Ann Arbor, MI. In February 2004, Pfizer completed its cash tender offer for over 93% of Esperion's common stock. Pfizer hoped to complete the merger a week later. By March 2004, the acquisition had been completed. In May 2008, Pfizer sold Esperion, which retained an anti-dyslipidemia drug, to private investors. Pfizer was to retain selected programs and related assets and maintaining a financial interest.

In October 2000, the company acquired Talaria Therapeutics, a biotechnology firm that researched and developed LUV technologies. This would provide Esperion with additional intellectual property for the development of its LUV product candidate, as well as phase I data from over 30 patients.

#### LICENSING AGREEMENTS

In June 2010, TransGenRx agreed to generate protein-based therapeutics for use in Esperion Therapeutics' research efforts to develop HDL therapeutics for the treatment of cardio-metabolic diseases.



In June 2010, Esperion Therapeutics entered a collaboration with the Cleveland Clinic Foundation to research HDL mimetics and other protein-based therapeutics for the treatment of cardiovascular disease.

In January 2004, Esperion and Nippon Chemiphar entered into a license agreement to develop new small molecule therapies for lipid disorders based on PPAR delta agonists. Esperion gained access to Nippon Chemiphar's PPAR delta agonists. Nippon Chemiphar retained commercialization rights in Asia for any new product candidates, while Esperion had commercialization rights in the US, Europe and other markets outside Asia.

In January 2001, the University of Michigan received a \$1.74 million research grant for a three year collaborative program to be conducted by the University and Esperion to evaluate the role of paraoxonase (an HDL-associated enzyme) in a series of preclinical studies. The initial research efforts would focus on examining whether paraoxonase could combat the complications of sepsis by reducing oxidative damage to tissue and organs.

#### **EARLY R&D**

In January 2004, Esperion was granted a patent covering sulfoxide and bis-sulfoxide compounds and compositions for cholesterol management and related uses.

#### **FINANCIAL**

By September 2013, the company had approximately 15.4 million shares of common stock outstanding.

In June 2013, the company priced an initial public offering of 5,000,000 common stock shares at \$14.00, each and began trading on the NASDAQ Global market, under the symbol 'ESPR'. At that time, the underwriters were granted a 30-day option to buy up to an additional 750,000 shares of common stock to cover over-allotments, if any; in July 2013, the IPO was closed and the company raised net proceeds of \$72.8 million.

In April 2013, the company raised \$33 million from a preferred stock financing round.

In May 2008, Esperion raised \$22.75 million in a series A financing round.

In November 2003, Esperion was added to the NASDAQ Biotechnology Index.

In July 2003, Esperion filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to a potential public offering of 4 million shares of Esperion common stock. In addition, the underwriters would have an option to purchase up to an additional 0.6 million shares from Esperion and selling stockholders to cover any overallotments. Later that month, Esperion priced the offering at \$16 per share. The offering was expected to close on August 6, 2003.

In April 2002, Esperion adopted a shareholder rights plan.

In August 2001, Alta Partners revealed that it was the lead investor in Esperion's completed private placement, totaling approximately \$24 million. In this transaction, Esperion sold approximately 3.2 million shares of newly issued common stock to both new and existing stockholders. Alta invested \$8 million in the placement.

In July 2001, Esperion entered into definitive purchase agreements to sell approximately 3.2 million shares of newly issued common stock to new and existing shareholders for net proceeds of \$22.5 million, subject to customary closing conditions.

In February 2000, Esperion filed a registration statement with the SEC for the initial public offering of its common stock. This was priced and completed in August 2000, when an IPO of 6 million shares at \$9.00 per share were offered. In September 2000, the underwriters' over overallotment was exercised and 900,000 shares of common stock were sold at \$9.00 per share. Total proceeds to Esperion from the offering are approximately \$57.8 million.

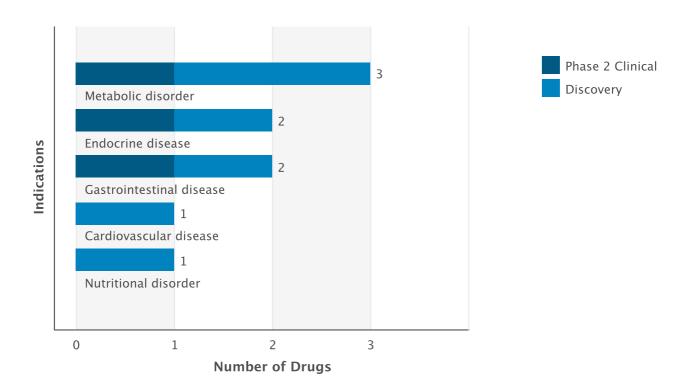
In January 2000, Esperion completed a finance deal worth \$22 million.



# PRODUCT PORTFOLIO SUMMARY DRUGS

# Drugs by Indication

Active Drugs by Indication Chart



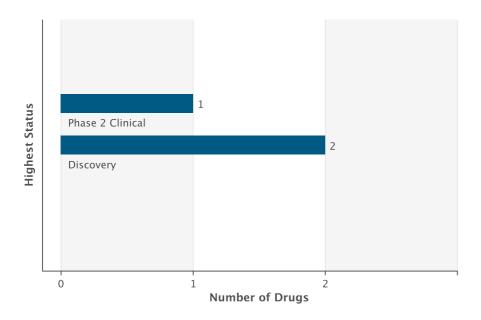
# Drugs by Indication Table

Indication	Active	Inactive	Total
Metabolic disorder	3	8	11
Cardiovascular disease	1	8	9
Endocrine disease	2	1	3
Gastrointestinal disease	2	1	3
Nutritional disorder	1	1	2
Infectious disease	0	1	1

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# **Drugs by Highest Status**

Active Drugs by Highest Status Chart



# Drugs by Highest Status Table

Development Status	Number of Drugs
Phase 2 Clinical	1
Discovery	2
Discontinued	1
No Development Reported	6

# **DEALS**

Deal Type	Prin Active	cipal Inactive	Par Active	tner Inactive	Total
Drug - Early Research/Development	0	0	1	0	1
Drug - Development/Commercialization License	0	1	1	1	2
Drug - Development Services	0	0	1	0	1

# **CLINICAL TRIALS**

Trials by Condition Studied

Condition Studied	Ongoing	All



# Trials by Condition Studied

Condition Studied	Ongoing	All
Metabolic disorder	1	14
Cardiovascular disease	0	9
Gastrointestinal disease	0	1
Endocrine disease	0	1

# Trials by Phase

Phase	Ongoing	All
Phase 2	1	9
Phase 1	0	8

#### **Phase Definitions**

#### Phase 3 Clinical

Includes Phase 3, Phase 3b, Phase 3a, Phase 2/3 (where enrolment count is 300 or over)

#### Phase 2 Clinical

Includes Phase 2, Phase 2a, Phase 2b, Phase 1/2 (where enrolment count is 100 or over), Phase 2/3 (where enrolment count is under 300 or not specified)

#### Phase 1 Clinical

Includes Phase 1, Phase 1a, Phase 1, Phase 1/2 (where enrolment count is under 100 or not specified), Phase 0

#### **PATENTS** \*

Indication	As Owner	As Third Party	Total
Cardiovascular disease	28	1	29
Endocrine disease	5	0	5
Gastrointestinal disease	13	0	13
Genitourinary disease	13	0	13
Hematological disease	12	0	12
Degeneration	14	0	14
Andrology	13	0	13
Immune disorder	1	0	1
Musculoskeletal disease	1	0	1
Neoplasm	13	0	13
Ocular disease	1	0	1



Metabolic disorder	22	1	23
Neurological disease	16	0	16
Nutritional disorder	11	0	11
Infectious disease	14	0	14
Injury	1	0	1
Inflammatory disease	12	0	12
Gynecology and obstetrics	1	0	1

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# **PRODUCT PORTFOLIO DRUGS**

PLEASE NOTE: Highest status refers to highest development of that drug for one of the active companies

# bempedoic acid

Drug Name	bempedoic acid
Key Synonyms	bempedoic acid
Originator Company	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Active Companies	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Inactive Companies	
Highest Status	Phase 2 Clinical
Active Indications	Non-insulin dependent diabetes, Hypercholesterolemia
Target-based Actions	AMP activated protein kinase stimulator, ATP citrate lyase inhibitor
Other Actions	Hypoglycemic agent, Cholesterol synthesis inhibitor, Lipid metabolism modulator
Technologies	Oral formulation, Small molecule therapeutic
Last Change Date	03-Feb-2014

# 4-WF

Drug Name	4-WF
Key Synonyms	
Originator Company	Cleveland Clinic Foundation
Active Companies	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Inactive Companies	Cleveland Clinic Foundation
Highest Status	Discovery
Active Indications	Metabolic disorder, Cardiovascular disease
Target-based Actions	
Other Actions	HDL cholesterol modulator, Cardiovascular agent
Technologies	Peptidomimetic, Small molecule therapeutic, Parenteral formulation unspecified
Last Change Date	01-Oct-2013



# ESP-41091

Drug Name	ESP-41091
Key Synonyms	
Originator Company	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Active Companies	Esperion Therapeutics Inc
Inactive Companies	
Highest Status	Discovery
Active Indications	Non-insulin dependent diabetes, Obesity
Target-based Actions	
Other Actions	Hypoglycemic agent
Technologies	Oral formulation, Small molecule therapeutic
Last Change Date	01-Oct-2013



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