

SECTOR: Specialty Pharmaceuticals

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KIN (BUY, \$9.24) announced after the close that it will discontinue development of AtoKin for atopic dermatitis due to the increasing success of Zoetis' (ZTS, BUY, \$44.88) Apoquel. KIN believes that AtoKin's value proposition will not be enough to compete with Apoquel. Therefore, KIN has decided to discontinue development and move forward with other pipeline opportunities. AtoKin's safety profile was expected to be superior to Apoquel's. However, KIN's due diligence suggests that AtoKin's potential safety benefit will not be enough to drive meaningful uptake of KIN's drug. We view this announcement as negative for KIN because it follows the pipeline failure of CereKin earlier this year. Ultimately, we still believe patience will be rewarded with commercial successes from KIN's pipeline, but we expect the stock to likely trade down on the news. We estimate cash value per share is ~\$5.00.

Near-term pipeline products of focus will now be SentiKin (post-operative pain and osteoarthritis in dogs), KIND-010 (inappetence in cats), KIND-012 (fever in horses) and Feline Epo (anemia in cats). SentiKin's pivotal results for post-operative pain are expected to read out in mid-2015 and the osteoarthritis pilot study is expected to start in early 2015. Both KIND-010 and KIND-012 pilots are ongoing and if results are positive pivotals should start in 2015. The feline EPO pilot is expected to start in 2015.

KIN's pipeline also consists of biologics that are in early stage and could be higher margin, larger market opportunities for the company. These include a promotility agent for cats, KIND-502 (Anti-IgE antibody for allergies in dogs), KIND-506/509 (TNFR-Ig fusion protein for inflammatory diseases in dogs), KIND-507 (CLTA4-Ig fusion protein for autoimmune disease in dogs), KIND-504 (vaccine for cancer in dogs), and KIND-501 (anti-VEGF fusion protein for cancer in dogs).

KIN continues to focus on business development/M&A. We would not expect anything here, though, until 2015.

**Potential Catalysts.** 1) Data from pivotal studies for SentiKin released in mid-2015; 2) Approvals for SentiKin in 2015+; 3) Additional pipeline advancements and approvals; 4) Partnerships and business development.

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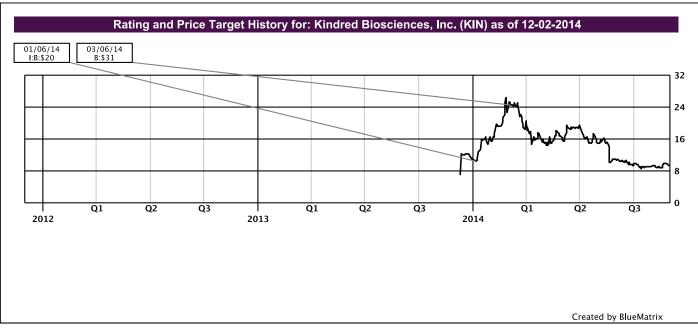
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