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Company Update / Estimates Change

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#### **Key Metrics**

| EVOK - NASDAQ                | \$9.29           |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Pricing Date                 | Apr 22 2014      |
| Price Target                 | \$60.00          |
| 52-Week Range                | \$14.25 - \$6.48 |
| Shares Outstanding (mm)      | 6.0              |
| Market Capitalization (\$mm) | \$55.7           |
| 3-Mo Average Daily Volume    | 49,673           |
| Institutional Ownership      | NA               |
| Debt/Total Capital           | NM               |
| ROE                          | NM               |
| Book Value/Share             | \$3.55           |
| Price/Book                   | 2.6x             |
| Dividend Yield               | NM               |
| LTM EBITDA Margin            | NM               |

#### EPS (\$) FY: December

|        |        | Prior   | Curr.   | Prior   | Curr.   |
|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|        | 2013A  | 2014E   | 2014E   | 2015E   | 2015E   |
| 1Q-Mar | (0.30) |         | (0.37)E | (0.56)E | (0.60)E |
| 2Q-Jun | (0.35) |         | (0.53)E | (0.59)E | (0.63)E |
| 3Q-Sep | (0.41) |         | (0.69)E | (0.46)E | (0.48)E |
| 4Q-Dec | (0.27) | (0.70)E | (0.73)E | (0.38)E | (0.40)E |
| FY     | (1.20) | (2.20)E | (2.26)E | (1.88)E | (1.98)E |
| P/E    | NM     |         | NM      |         | NM      |



Source: BigCharts.com
Company Description:

Evoke Pharma, Inc. (http://www.evokepharma.com/) is an emerging specialty pharmaceuticals firm headquartered in San Diego, CA.

# Evoke Pharma, Inc. Rating: Buy

## **Evoke Pharma Starts Phase 3 Trial On Schedule**

## **Investment Highlights:**

- Phase 3 Trial Starts In-Line With Guidance. Yesterday, Evoke announced that it had successfully randomized and dosed the first patient in its ~200-subject, randomized, placebo-controlled study. This important milestone was reached in-line with prior guidance, and has accrued ahead of our expectations. We believe that enrollment in this four-week trial should proceed in a timely manner and be completed before the end of this year. Data should be released in early to mid-2015. In our view, Evoke remains one of the most undervalued and underappreciated investment opportunities in the healthcare sector, particularly now given its status as a *bona fide* Phase 3-level company. In the wake of the Phase 3 trial initiation, we reiterate our Buy rating and 18-month price target of \$60.00 per share.
- Strong Financial Position. The company previously reported financial results for 2013 that demonstrated how capital-efficient its operations are, closing the year with \$24.2mm in cash. We expect the proceeds from the firm's IPO to be sufficient to fund the company through the release of data from its Phase 3 trial in the first half of 2015. Furthermore, we would point investors to the fact that Evoke remains a heavily-outsourced company, with minimal headcount and very modest executive team retention costs, which amounted to only \$355,000 in 2013.
- Attractive Valuation. Evoke Pharma went public in September 2013 at an enterprise value of ~\$50mm, raising \$25.2mm in gross proceeds from the sale of 2.1mm shares at \$12.00 per share. Total proceeds from the IPO were ~ \$29mm. Currently, the stock trades at an enterprise value of under \$30mm. In our view, this is very cheap, as the firm could generate pivotal data in mid-2015, file for approval in late 2015 / early 2016 and reach the market in late 2016. We believe Evoke's intranasal metoclopramide formulation could generate >\$400mm in peak annual sales. This translates into a risk-adjusted Net Present Value (rNPV) of ~\$480mm, assuming patent expiration in 2030.

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Table 1: Evoke Pharma, Inc. (EVOK) – Historical Income Statements, Financial Projections

FY end December 31

\$ in thousands, except per share data

|   |         | <u> </u> |         | 2014E   |         |         |         |          |          |          |          |
|---|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|   | 2011A   | 2012A    | 2013A   | 1QE     | 2QE     | 3QE     | 4QE     | 2014E    | 2015E    | 2016E    | 2017E    |
| Revenue   |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |          |
| Product revenue   | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | 2,100    | 61,000   |
| Service revenue   | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Research and other                                      | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Total revenue   | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | 2,100    | 61,000   |
| Expenses  |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |          |
| Cost of product and service revenue                     | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Research & development                                  | 1,844   | 1,166    | 957.0   | 1,500   | 2,500   | 3,500   | 4,500   | 12,000   | 10,600   | 3,800    | 2,800    |
| Selling and marketing                                   | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | 18,000   | 54,000   |
| General and administrative                              | 571     | 837      | 1,645   | 650     | 700     | 750     | 800     | 2,900    | 9,000    | 29,000   | 46,000   |
| Total expenses  | 2,415   | 2,002    | 2,602   | 2,150   | 3,200   | 4,250   | 5,300   | 14,900   | 19,600   | 50,800   | 102,800  |
| Gain (loss) from operations                             | (2,415) | (2,002)  | (2,602) | (2,150) | (3,200) | (4,250) | (5,300) | (14,900) | (19,600) | (48,700) | (41,800) |
| Other income/expense                                    |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |          |          |          |
| Interest income   | -       | -        | 7       | (110)   | (115)   | (120)   | (90)    | (435)    | (59)     | 960      | 960      |
| Interest expense  |         |          | (160)   | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Change in fair value of warrant liability               | 13      | (15)     | (82)    | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Total investment income and other                       | 13      | (15)     | (235)   | (110)   | (115)   | (120)   | (90)    | (435)    | (59)     | 960      | 960      |
| Income (Loss) before provision for income taxes         | (2,401) | (2,018)  | (2,836) | (2,260) | (3,315) | (4,370) | (5,390) | (15,335) | (19,659) | (47,740) | (40,840) |
| Deferred income tax benefit                             | -       | -        | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -        | -        | -        | -        |
| Net loss/income   | (2,401) | (2,018)  | (2,836) | (2,260) | (3,315) | (4,370) | (5,390) | (15,335) | (19,659) | (47,740) | (40,840) |
| Net loss per share (basic)                              | (2.18)  | (1.79)   | (1.20)  | (0.37)  | (0.53)  | (0.69)  | (0.73)  | (2.26)   | (1.98)   | (4.11)   | (3.35)   |
| Net loss per share (diluted)                            | (2.18)  | (1.79)   | (1.20)  | (0.37)  | (0.53)  | (0.69)  | (0.73)  | (2.26)   | (1.98)   | (4.11)   | (3.35)   |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding (basic)   | 1,103   | 1,124    | 2,368   | 6,137   | 6,217   | 6,297   | 7,377   | 6,797    | 9,917    | 11,629   | 12,192   |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding (diluted) | 1,103   | 1,124    | 2,368   | 6,137   | 6,217   | 6,297   | 7,377   | 6,797    | 9,917    | 11,629   | 12,192   |

Source: Company Reports and Aegis Capital Corp. estimates

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## **Required Disclosures**

## **Price Target**

Our 18-month price target is \$60.00 per share.

## **Valuation Methodology**

Given the fact that Evoke Pharma is currently unprofitable, we use a discounted cash flow-based approach to value the shares. Based on a comparables analysis, we believe that the stock is worth \$60.00 per share, given our estimate of a ~\$550 million risk-adjusted net present value (rNPV) for the firm's pipeline. This assumes that the shares trade in-line with the comp group average enterprise value of \$550 million and that the firm has roughly 12 million shares outstanding and \$150 million in cash as of the end of the third quarter of 2015.

#### Risk Factors

Issues that could prevent the achievement of our price objective include, but are not limited to, clinical, regulatory, competitive, reimbursement and financial risks. Drugs in clinical development may not advance due to inadequate safety, efficacy, or tolerability. Regulatory agencies may decline to approve regulatory submissions in a timely manner, or may not approve a drug candidate at all. The firm may require substantial funding to complete the clinical development of its candidates and establish commercial infrastructure, which could be dilutive to current shareholders. We expect competition for the company's drugs from several public and private companies developing pharmaceuticals. Sales of the firm's drugs could depend upon reimbursement from private, as well as public, reimbursement agencies.

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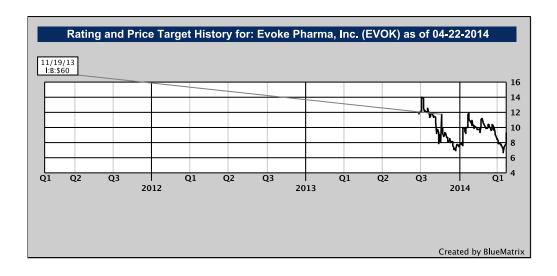
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#### Investment Banking Services/Past 12 Mos.

| Rating      | Percent | Percent |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| BUY [BUY]   | 80.43   | 37.84   |
| HOLD [HOLD] | 19.57   | 22.22   |
| SELL [SELL] | 0.00    | 0.00    |

#### Meaning of Ratings

- A) A Buy rating is assigned when we do not believe the stock price adequately reflects a company's prospects over 12-18 months.
- B) A Hold rating is assigned when we believe the stock price adequately reflects a company's prospects over 12-18 months.
- C) A Sell rating is assigned when we believe the stock price more than adequately reflects a company's prospects over 12-18 months.

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