

## Aratana Therapeutics Inc.

# Continuing to put words into action

Last week, PETX announced the addition of another pipeline asset which demonstrated the company's determination to bring innovation to companion animal health. On Friday, PETX hosted a conference call to discuss its in-licensing agreement with Vet-Stem Inc. for its novel allogeneic stem cell technology for the treatment of osteoarthritis in dogs. The in-licensed compound, AT-016, will join AT-001, a novel EP4 inhibitor, in PETX's pipeline for treating osteoarthritis. AT-016 would be the first FDA regulated off-the-shelf regenerative stem cell therapy available for such use. PETX and Vet-Stem expect to initiate a blinded, multi-center, placebo-controlled dose confirmation study later this month. FDA approval is not expected before 2016.

PETX will make an up-front payment of \$500,000 and will also be responsible for funding future development costs (\$3M-\$4M) and milestones of \$4.5M. PETX will pay Vet-Stem a low double-digit tiered royalty on net sales. PETX will have exclusive rights to development and commercialization in the US and right to negotiate expansion in the European Union through the end of 2014.

**Putting words into action.** Many of the leaders in the broader animal health industry have recently given greater lip service to the companion animal health market, but none seem to be pursuing the market with the same vigor as PETX. Not only has PETX established leadership in the sheer number of drug candidates, but also in its determination to deliver innovation to its targeted patient population. The stem cell technology joins PETX's antibody and immunotherapy oncology product candidates.

**Differentiation will be rewarded.** We recently attended the American College of Veterinarian Internal Medicine annual meeting and were impressed by the interest level expressed by veterinarians for PETX's development pipeline. We believe many investors under-estimate veterinarians' sophistication as well as their interest in treating patients with cutting-edge technology. We believe PETX has established clear leadership in this regard which should yield dividends as the end market becomes more competitive.

PETX: Quarterly and Annual EPS (USD)

	2013	2013 2014			2015			Change y/y	
FY Dec	Actual	Old	New	Cons	Old	New	Cons	2014	2015
Q1	-2.43A	-0.34A	-0.34A	-0.34A	-0.19E	-0.19E	-0.29E	86%	44%
Q2	-4.62A	-0.26E	-0.26E	-0.36E	-0.32E	-0.32E	-0.32E	94%	-23%
Q3	-0.22A	-0.30E	-0.30E	-0.41E	-0.32E	-0.32E	-0.32E	-36%	-7%
Q4	-0.40A	-0.33E	-0.33E	-0.40E	-0.33E	-0.33E	-0.33E	18%	0%
Year	-2.43A	-1.23E	-1.23E	-1.50E	-1.17E	-1.17E	-1.57E	49%	5%
P/E	N/A		N/A			N/A			

Source: Barclays Research.

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#### **Equity Research**

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Stock Rating	OVERWEIGHT
	Unchanged
Industry View	POSITIVE
	Unchanged
Price Target	USD 30.00
	Unchanged
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Price (13-Jun-2014)	USD 14.12
Potential Upside/Downside	+112%
Tickers	PETX
Market Cap (USD mn)	416
Shares Outstanding (mn)	29.45
Free Float (%)	90.03
52 Wk Avg Daily Volume (mn	) 0.2
Dividend Yield (%)	N/A
Return on Equity TTM (%)	-12.98
Current BVPS (USD)	5.88
Source: Thomson Reuters	





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#### **U.S. Specialty Pharmaceuticals**

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U.S. Specialty Pharmaceuticals						Industry View: POSITIV	
Aratana Therapeutics Inc.	(PETX)					Stock Rating: OVERWEIGH	
Income statement (\$k)	2013A	2014E	2015E	2016E	CAGR	Price (13-Jun-2014) USD 14.12	
Revenue	0	656	5,920	36,324		Price Target USD 30.00	
EBITDA (adj)	-19,483	-34,931	-35,140	-20,417		Why Overweight? We rate PETX at Overweight since	
EBIT (adj)	-19,863	-35,487	-35,164	-20,441	N/A	we believe it will capitalize on the growing companion	
Pre-tax income (adj)	-21,322	-35,516	-34,612	-20,201	N/A	animal health market with its portfolio of in-	
Net income (adj)	-21,322	-35,516	-34,612	-20,201	N/A	development products for osteoarthritis, inappetance	
EPS (adj) (\$)	-2.43	-1.23	-1.17	-0.64	N/A	post-surgical pain, and lymphoma. We believe PETX	
Diluted shares (k)			29,662.5		41.6%	has a differentiated model that will attract a broad	
DPS (K)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	investor audience.	
						Upside case USD 40.00	
Margin and return data					Average	We believe upside could come from additional	
EBITDA (adj) margin (%)		-5,409.6	-594.0		-2,020.0	business development which accelerates the	
EBIT (adj) margin (%)		-5,409.6	-594.0		-2,020.0	expansion of PETX's pipeline. Addiitonally, we could	
Pre-tax (adj) margin (%)		-5,414.0	-584.7		-2,018.1	see earlier-than-expected approvals for pipeline	
Net (adj) margin (%)		-5,414.0	-584.7		-2,018.1	assets which accelerates the company's earnings	
ROIC (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		ramp.	
ROA (%)	-17.2	-29.1	-37.6	-30.1	-28.5		
ROE (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Downside case USD 16.00	
Balance sheet and cash flow (\$k)					CAGR	Downside would come from setbacks to the company's pipeline assets. Additionally, PETX is	
Tangible fixed assets	98	1,200	1,300	1,400	142.6%	developing treatments in many unproven markets,	
Intangible fixed assets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		such as oncology, inappetance, and post-surgical	
Cash and equivalents	41,084	51,000	27,605	11,164		pain. Those might not prove as attractive end-	
Total assets	115,536	121,783	93,517	67,827	-16.3%	markets as we currently expect.	
Short and long-term debt	N/A	N/A	93,517 N/A	07,827 N/A			
Other long-term liabilities	3,284	14,928	14,928	14,928	65.7%	Upside/Downside scenarios	
Total liabilities	29,495	32,902	34,912	37,485	8.3%	Price History Price Target	
Net debt/(funds)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Prior 12 months Next 12 months	
Shareholders' equity	86,041	88,881	58,606	30,342		High Upside	
Change in working capital (\$mn)	-13,291	-481	-1,020	-459	N/A	40.00	
Cash flow from operations (\$mn)	-16,158	-35,191	-35,308	-20,286		40.00	
Capital expenditure (\$mn)	-31,088	-546	-76	-76		_	
Free cash flow (\$mn)	-1,671	-34,866		-20.800	N/A	29.32 Target 30.00	
Tree cash now (4mm)	-1,071	-34,000	-30,001	-20,000	14//(	30.00	
Valuation and leverage metrics					Average	Current	
P/E (adj) (x)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14.12 16.00	
EV/sales (x)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
EV/EBITDA (adj) (x)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.56	
FCF yield (%)	-1,058.5	-8,557.8	-8,615.3	-4,641.4	-5,718.3	Low Downside	
P/BV (x)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Dividend yield (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	POINT® Quantitative Equity Scores	
Total debt/capital (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Value	
Selected operating metrics					Average		
SG&A/sales (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		0 14	
R&D/sales (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Quality	
R&D growth (%)	105.7	26.5	26.5	0.0	39.7	N/A	
SG&A growth (%)	198.0	85.5	-3.7	60.4		Sentiment	
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## **Key Takeaways**

On Friday June 13th, Aratana hosted a conference call to discuss its in-licensing agreement with Vet-Stem Inc. for its novel allogeneic stem cell technology for the treatment of pain and inflammation from osteoarthritis in dogs. The in-licensed compound, AT-016, will join AT-001 (Grapiprant) and AT-003 (injectable bupivacaine) in Aratana's innovative companion animal pain portfolio, and represents a strategic investment in this area of high unmet need. If approved, AT-016 would be the first FDA regulated off-the-shelf regenerative stem cell therapy available for such use.

Under the terms of the agreement, Aratana will make an up-front payment of \$500,000 for reimbursement of past development expenses and will also be responsible for funding future development costs of \$3-\$4 million, as well as success based milestones that total \$4.5 million over the development period. Once commercialized, Aratana will pay Vet-Stem a low double-digit tiered royalty on net sales in the licensed territory. Aratana will have exclusive rights to development and commercialization in the United States, as well as the right to negotiate expansion in the European Union through the end of 2014. Through 2016, Aratana will have first right of refusal for all other countries, excluding Australia, New Zealand, and Singapore.

Aratana and Vet-Stem expect to initiate a blinded, multi-center, placebo-controlled dose confirmation study later this month. FDA approval is not expected before 2016.

Osteoarthritis Incidence and Multi-modal pain management:

There are an estimated 85 million dogs in the United States today, and up to 20% of dogs over the age of 8 or 9 are expected to have osteoarthritis. Currently, 4.4 million dogs are being treated for 20-40 days per year, with limited available therapies on the market. The most commonly used medications are NSAIDS and Rimadyl, but side-effects associated with these medications are common and efficacy limited.

During the call, Aratana noted that AT-016 could potentially be used as a complementary therapy, in severe cases of osteoarthritis where dogs cannot be controlled with AT-001. This type of multi-modal combination therapy is very common in pain management, and is particularly likely to be used by veterinarians if the claims for disease modifying ability and cartilage regeneration are validated. Based on this, we expect Aratana will pursue monotherapy as well as combination-therapy indications with other products in its portfolio. We believe this will facilitate commercialization, with Aratana's salesforce having a more robust offering of products and resources for veterinarians.

#### Vet-Stem, Inc. and Autologus vs. Allogeneic Stem Cell Therapies:

Vet-Stem is a San-Diego based company that pioneered the use of adipose tissue as a source of stem cells in veterinary regenerative medicine. The company offers an autologous stem cell therapy that has been particularly useful in horses, where adipose tissue (or fat) is harvested from the animal, sent to Vet-Stem where stem-cells are isolated and concentrated, then sent back to the veterinarian where the stem-cells can be reintroduced into the same patient. On their website, Vet-Stem includes results from surveys of dog owners that indicate greater than 80% of dogs with arthritis had improved quality of life following treatment with stem-cell therapy. They also show that greater than 33% of dogs discontinued NSAIDS completely and greater than 28% of dogs decreased their dependency on NSAIDS at 90 and 246 days after treatment.

While successfully implemented, a drawback of this autologous therapy is that the stemcells can only be used in the original donor patient. The company has now developed a technology platform for producing allogeneic stem cell therapies, where cells isolated from

a single donor patient can be used to treat multiple patients. Aratana has licensed this allogeneic stem cell therapy for the treatment if osteoarthritis in dogs.

#### Cash Burn:

Aratana expects the deal will push its cash usage from operations to the higher end of the \$35-\$40 million that it indicated in its 2014 guidance, and could potentially increase cash usage by \$2-\$3 million. Aratana also reiterated that it believes it is sufficiently funded through 2015.

The company provided a brief overview of the refinancing of its \$15 million loan agreement. Under their previous agreement, the company was paying both principal and interest over 24 months starting last April. Under the new agreement, they will only be paying interest for the non-revolving loan at a fixed annual interest rate of 5.50% for two years. We believe this strategically preserves cash, and will help Aratana fund future costs associated with its pipeline including Vet-Stem.

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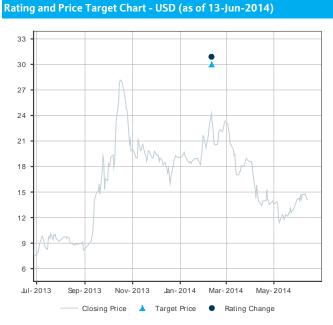
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