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July 21, 2014 CNCE-NASDAQ--Outperform (1) / V JAZZ-NASDAQ--Outperform (1) / V

Biotechnology

CNCE: Positive Progress Into Clinic With Partnered Pipeline Assets

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Sector Rating: Biotechnology, Market Weight

- **Several announcements were made today demonstrating progress with two of CNCE's key partnered programs, deuterated dextromethorphan (AVNR) and deuterated sodium oxybate (JAZZ).
- **This morning Avanir Pharmaceuticals announced the FDA has accepted its IND for AVP-786, a deuterated form of dextromethorphan with lower-dose quinidine intended as an adjuvant treatment for treating depression. The announcement sets a definitive timeframe for entry of the drug into a ph.II study (3Q14)--recall CNCE anticipates receiving a \$2MM milestone payment upon initiation of dosing--and notably, demonstrates additional FDA support (within a second FDA division) for expedited development, a regulatory strategy CNCE hopes will be applicable to a number of its deuterated drug candidates.
- **This afternoon, JAZZ and CNCE announced that they will initiate a ph.I study of JZP-386, a deuterated version of Xyrem designed to prolong the half-life and eliminate Xyrem's requirement for middle-of-the-night dosing. The study will assess PK/PD, as well as other parameters such as sleepiness and cognition, with single ascending doses in healthy subjects. Though the timeline for data release is unclear, we believe the ph.I could be telling as to the potential of the program, given that PK is key to the commercial opportunity and deuteration is not expected to alter the drug's pharmacology. We continue to believe JAZZ will be highly incentivized to move '386 forward as a life cycle extension strategy if initial PK data are promising, given Xyrem's patent expiries.
- **CNCE stands to receive mid-single to low double-digit royalties on both products, in addition to potential milestones.
- **BOTTOM LINE: We believe this partnered program progress bodes well for long-term potential revenues to CNCE and highlights the versatility and promise of the company's deuteration platform. We believe the company's current valuation significantly discounts its pipeline potential.

Concert Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (CNCE-NASDAQ)

Price as of 7/21/2014: \$7.97

FY 14 EPS: \$-1.88 FY 15 EPS: \$-0.74 Shares Out.: 17.9 MM Market Cap.: \$142.66 MM

Jazz Pharmaceuticals, PLC (JAZZ-NASDAQ)

Price as of 7/21/2014: \$146.21

FY 14 EPS: \$7.92 FY 15 EPS: \$10.14 Shares Out.: 62.5 MM Market Cap.: \$9,138.13 MM

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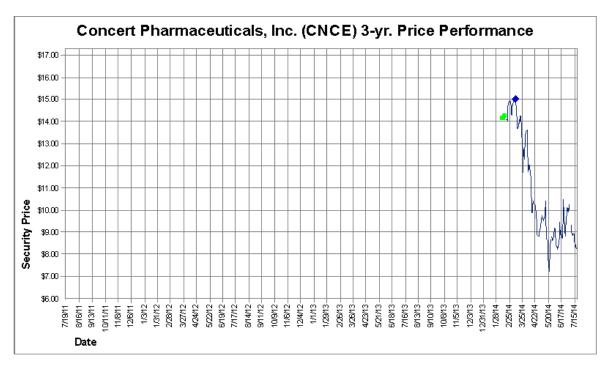
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	3/10/2014	Abrahams, M.D.				
•	3/10/2014	14.88	1	21.00	23.00	15.03

Source: Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates and Reuters data

Symbol Key

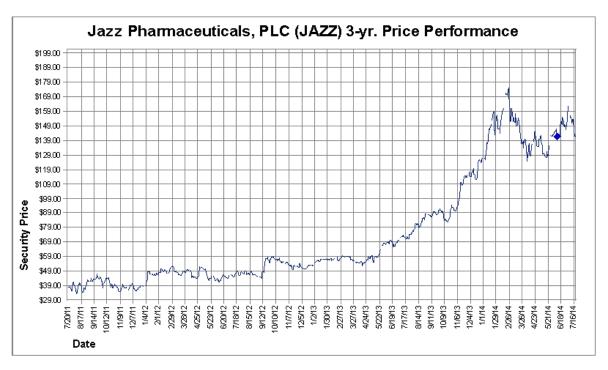
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•	6/10/2014	141.38	1	175.00	185.00	141.38

Source: Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates and Reuters data

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CNCE: Key risks, in our view, are failure of '354 and/or '499 to show efficacy in subsequent studies and regulatory hurdles in spasticity or CKD.

JAZZ: Risks include potential Xyrem generics, weak Xyrem growth, and unsuccessful acquisitions.

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