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Atara Biotherapeutics (ATRA) **Reports 3Q - Model Update**

Key Takeaway

ATRA reported 3Q earnings this morning and confirmed that its clinical programs for lead drug PINTA745 to treat protein energy wasting (PEW) in end stage renal disease (ESRD) patients and STM434 in ovarian/solid tumors are on track. Phase 2 data in treatment resistant and recurrent cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection with allogeneic T cell therapies will be presented at ASH.

PINTA745 phase 2 trial ongoing with timelines maintained. PINTA745 is enrolling a phase 2 study to treat PEW in ESRD patients on dialysis with topline results expected in 2H15. We project ~\$696M in worldwide peak adjusted sales for PINTA745 in this indication.

STM434 phase 1 trial recently initiated. '434 is in a phase 1 study for the treatment of ovarian and other solid tumors with data expected in 1H16. We estimate ~\$94M in worldwide peak adjusted sales for '434 in recurrent ovarian cancer. '434 monotherapy data in the clear cell and/or granulosa cell sub-types of ovarian cancer in the phase 1 study could potentially lead to an accelerated path to approval.

Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) phase 2 CMV data to be presented at the ASH meeting (Dec 6-9). Research collaborators at MSK will present two posters on their allogeneic T-cell therapy targeting CMV. One poster will present preliminary efficacy results from the ongoing phase 2 trial, and the other will highlight response rates as it relates to HLA genotype of the patient/cell-line. ATRA's current option period to acquire these Tcell therapies expires in Sept. 15, but may be extended up to 27 months with additional

Financial/Model update. ATRA reported a net loss of \$5.9M in 3Q, with the largest single expense related to a \$2.0M payment to MSK for the option agreement. ATRA ended 3Q14 with \$51.7M in cash/cash-equivalents, which excludes the \$55.8M recently raised from their IPO in Oct.

Valuation/Risks

Our \$35 PT is DCF-based. Risks include clinical, regulatory, competitive, commercial.

USD	Prev.	2013A	Prev.	2014E	Prev.	2015E	Prev.	2016E
Rev. (MM)		0.0		0.0		0.0		0.0
EPS				-				
Mar				(1.02)A				
Jun				(0.33)A				
Sep			(0.39)A	(0.31)A				
Dec			(0.40)	(0.31)				
FY Dec		(1.28)	(1.34)	(1.16)	(1.41)	(1.48)		(2.00)
FY P/E		NM		NM		NM		NM

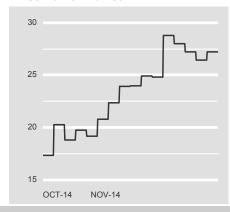
Price target \$35.00 Price \$27.21

Financial Summary				
Net Debt (MM):	\$0.0			
Cash & ST Invest. (MM):	\$104.0			
Market Data				
52 Week Range:	\$29.51 - \$9.66			
Total Entprs. Value (MM):	\$644.9			
Market Cap. (MM):	\$644.9			
Insider Ownership:	66.3%			
Institutional Ownership:	8.7%			
Shares Out. (MM):	23.7			
Float (MM):	5.0			
Avg. Daily Vol.:	NA			

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BUY: \$35.00 Price Target

Scenarios

Target Investment Thesis

- We project a 40% probability of PINTA 745 approval in 2019 for PEW in ESRD patients (peak adjusted WW sales of ~\$696M in 2029)
- We project a 20% probability of STM 434 approval in 2020 for recurrent ovarian cancer (peak adjusted sales reach ~\$94M in 2029)
- We do not assign any value to other pipeline products or the T-cell therapies from MSK
- DCF-based PT: \$35

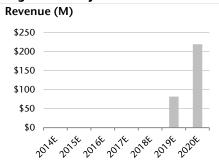
Upside Scenario

- '745 achieves higher than expected market penetration (peak adjusted WW sales of ~\$836 in 2029)
- ATRA licenses the EBV T-cell therapy from MSK and is approved for EBV associated hematological malignancies in 2019 (peak adjusted sales of ~\$42.8M in 2029)
- DCF-based PT: \$47

Downside Scenario

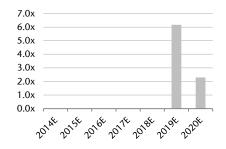
- '745 is not successful in its phase 3 trial
- '434 is launched in 2020 for recurrent ovarian cancer (peak adjusted sales reach ~\$94M in 2029)
- DCF-based PT: \$9

Long Term Analysis



Source: Factset, Jefferies estimates

Enterprise Value (EV)/Revenue

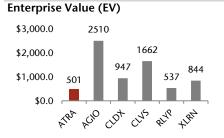


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Other Considerations

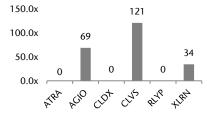
Continued acquisition of valuable clinical stage assets by ATRA could provide additional upside to our estimates.

Peer Group



Source: Factset

Enterprise Value (EV)/Revenue



Source: Factset

Recommendation / Price Target

Ticker	Rec.	PT		
ATRA	BUY	\$35.00		
AGIO	NC	NC		
CLDX	BUY	\$24.00		
CLVS	NC	NC		
RLYP	NC	NC		
XLRN	NC	NC		

Catalysts

- Topline data from phase 2 trial of '745 treating PEW in ESRD patients—2H15
- Potential for preliminary data for phase 1 trial of '434 in OC/solid tumors – 2H15
- Top-line data from phase 1 trial of '434 in OC/solid tumors – 1H16
- Initial option period for MSK T-cell therapies expires –Sep. 23, 2015

Company Description

Atara is a US biotechnolgy company focused on developing a pipeline of clinical stage inlicensed assets. The key value driver for ATRA is Pinta 745, which is currently being evaluated in a phase 2 proof-of-concept trial for the treatment of protein energy wasting (PEW) syndrome in end-stage renal disease (ESRD). The second pipeline product, STM 434, has just entered the clinic in a multi-part phase 1 trial for the treatment of ovarian and other solid tumors. ATRA has also secured an option agreement with Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) to in-license 3 clinical-stage T-cell immunotherapies. This agreement with MSK also allows for collaborative R&D efforts for the development of other cellular immuno-therapies, such as CAR-T cells.

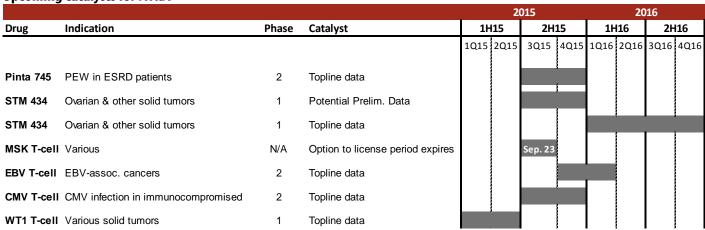
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Upcoming catalysts for ATRA



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ATRA Income Statement: 2013	A-2020E											
(In Millions, except per share data)	2013A	1Q14A	2Q14A	3Q14A	4Q14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Revenues												
PINTA 745 WW Sales (prob. adjusted)											81.3	185.3
STM 434 WW Sales (prob. adjusted)											-	15.8
EBV T-cell WW sales (prob. adjusted)											-	
Total Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81.3	201.1
Operating Expenses												
COGS											12.2	30.2
% of sales	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15%	15%
R&D	4.9	3.0	3.2	4.2	4.5	14.7	19.0	25.0	40.0	55.0	65.0	70.0
% of sales	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%	35%
SG&A	3.8	4.1	1.4	1.7	1.7	8.9	11.0	16.0	20.0	35.0	50.0	60.0
% of sales	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	62%	30%
Milestone payments								8.0		10.0	20.0	
Total Operating expenses	8.6	7.1	4.5	5.9	6.2	23.5	30.0	49.0	60.0	100.0	147.2	160.2
Net Operating Income (Expense)	(8.6)	(7.1)	(4.5)	(5.9)	(6.2)	(23.5)	(30.0)	(49.0)	(60.0)	(100.0)	(65.9)	40.9
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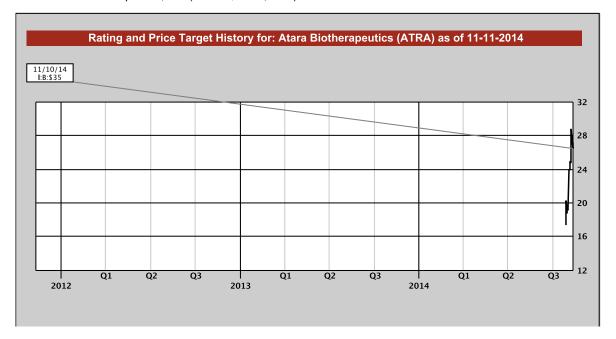
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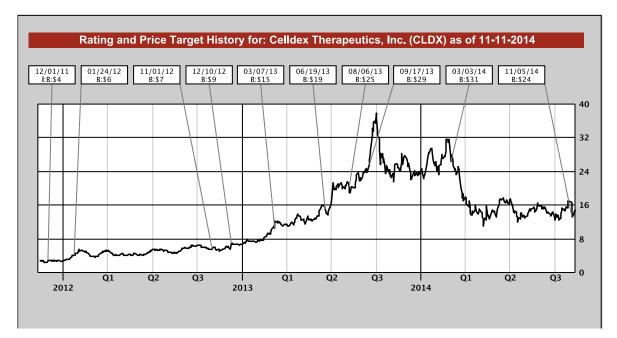
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