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Focus on Killer Bacteria; Aiming for Superiority in Phase III

We are initiating coverage of Achaogen with an Outperform rating and a \$22 target price. Our positive thesis is based on the significant unmet medical need in resistant bacteria, the robust Phase III program for plazomicin, and the improving regulatory environment and investor sentiment toward new antibiotics.

- Phase III Asset Targets Superiority: AKAO has designed its Phase III trial for plazomicin to show superiority in survival compared with the current standard of care. We believe the trial will be clinically successful, provide lasting competitive advantage, and support premium pricing.
- Improving Regulatory Environment: The 2012 GAIN Act provided ten years of exclusivity to new antibiotics and marked a favorable turning point in the FDA's dealings with antibiotic companies. The recently proposed DISARM Act could provide additional benefits in better reimbursement. Driven by these regulatory changes, investor sentiment is also improving.
- Catalysts: In 2014, we see progress in Phase II and Phase III studies of plazomicin in CRE. In 2015, catalysts include first interim analysis of Phase III (H2:15), data from the Phase II CRE study (Q4:15), and the initiation of a clinical program for a second antibiotic (2015).
- Valuation: Our \$22 target price is based on a 65% probability of success for plazomicin, approximately \$473M in peak sales, and an ex-U.S. partner. Our estimates could prove conservative on price, penetration, market size, and the economics of the ex-U.S. deal. Our valuation includes a very small nominal value for the preclinical assets.

Financial and valuation metrics

Year	12/13A	12/14E	12/15E	12/16E
EPS (CS adj.) (US\$)	-1.36	-1.00	-0.91	-0.95
Prev. EPS (US\$)	_	_	_	
P/E (x)	-10.4	-14.1	-15.5	-14.9
P/E rel. (%)	-60.9	-89.0	-108.8	-115.9
Revenue (ÚS\$ m)	18.5	15.0	15.0	15.0
EBITDA (US\$ m)	-11.5	-15.6	-16.6	-22.5
OCFPS (US\$)	-1.43	-0.26	-0.67	-0.75
P/OCF (x)	_	-54.1	-21.3	-18.9
EV/EBITDA (current)	-20.5	-15.1	-14.2	-10.4
Net debt (US\$ m)	-3	-72	-59	-134
ROIC (%)	-241.36	1,691.22	1,413.52	1,574.96
Number of shares (m)	16.78	IC (current, USS	6 m)	4.96
BV/share (Next Qtr., US\$)	7.0	EV/IC (x)	•	27.1
Net debt (Next Qtr., US\$ m)	-72.3	Dividend (curre	nt, US\$)	_
Net debt/tot cap (Next Qtr., %)	-92.2	Dividend yield (%)	_
Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates				

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Portfolio Manager Summary

AKAO was founded in 2004, and its primary focus is the development of Gram-negative antibiotics. This class of bacteria includes some of CDC's greatest public health threats. AKAO's lead drug, plazomicin, is being specifically developed for one of the most concerning bacteria called CRE (carbopenam-resistant enterobacteriaceae). Other drugs in the pipeline target drug-resistant pseudomonas infections, another high priority pathogen.

Pure-play antibiotic company with a proprietary Phase III asset

- Over the next 12 months, we expect AKAO to make substantial progress in enrolling the Phase III study and advance a new drug candidate for clinical development.
- A first and second interim analysis of the Phase III trial is expected in H2:15 and H2:16, respectively. Data from a smaller open-label trial of plazomicin will likely read out in late 2015, and could provide some visibility into the likely outcome of the Phase III.
- Our expectation is that the Phase III trial will run to completion in H1:17, with FDA approval in 2018. Over that same period, we expect AKAO will likely advance two programs into the clinic and should have substantial proof-of-efficacy data from one or more pipeline programs.

Exhibit 1: AKAO Pipeline

Drug	Indication	Stage	Partner
Plazomicin	Carbapenam-resistant enterobacteriaceae	Phase III	Proprietary
LpxC inhibitor	Pseudomonas	Preclinical (IND 2015)	Proprietary
Antibacterial Ab	Pseudomonas	Preclinical (IND 2015)	Proprietary

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Exhibit 2: AKAO News Flow

Timing	Expected News Flow	Program
2014	Initiate "Supportive" Phase 2	Plazomic in
2014	Select development candidate	Antipseudomonal
H2:15	Initiate safety trial	Plazomic in
H2:15	First interim - Phase 3	Plazomic in
Q4:15	"Supportive" Phase 2 top-line data release	Plazomic in
2015	File IND	Antipseudomonal
2015	File IND	LpxC inhibitor
H2:16	Second interim - Phase 3	Plazomic in
H1:17	Top-line data for Phase 3	Plazomic in
YE:17	File NDA with FDA	Plazomic in

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Investment Positives

- Plazomicin Is Being Developed to Treat an Urgent Threat: The CDC identifies CRE as one of the most urgent infectious disease threats and plazomicin is active against these resistant bacteria. The FDA recognizes the need for new agents targeting drug-resistant organisms, and this could help facilitate a faster review of plazomicin.
- Robust Phase III Study Could Solidify Plazomicin as Leading Agent: Plazomicin is the only antibiotic being tested for superiority using an overall survival endpoint, and a successful outcome from this study could lead to the drug becoming the preferred agent for CRE and provide the company with significant pricing power.



- Favorable Regulatory Environment: Increased concern regarding antibiotic resistant bacteria and the passage of the GAIN Act in 2012, set the stage for a more permissive and cooperative FDA. The GAIN Act gives ten years of exclusivity to new antibiotics and provides regulatory paths to approval that were not previously available. The FDA has indicated a willingness to approve new antibiotics for specific bacteria on smaller trials, and this could directly benefit AKAO.
- Phase III Largely Funded by BARDA: The Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) has a contract with AKAO to provide funding for the ongoing Phase III trial. BARDA has committed up to \$60.4M for the Phase III clinical trial, which is in addition to the \$43.4M already received for this program. The BARDA funding provides meaningful leverage to the capital raised from investors for the Phase III trial. AKAO plans to combine approximately \$35-\$40M from the equity raise with the BARDA funding to complete the Phase III study.
- Focus on Gram-Negative Drug Development: In recent years, companies have been more focused on developing Gram-positive antibiotics, and we believe AKAO's focus on Gram-negative antibiotics places it in the area of highest unmet medical need. We expect that AKAO could take one or two new Gram-negative drug candidates into the clinic in 2015. Both candidates are novel and address the problem of drug-resistant pseudomonas infections.
- Phase II Results in Urinary Tract Infections: The Phase II data demonstrated plazomicin's efficacy in a standard model of Gram-negative infections using the same target dose as the Phase III study. It also established a safety profile that is consistent with other drugs in its class.

Investment Risks

- Superiority Trial Is Riskier than Most: Antibiotics are usually developed using "non-inferiority" studies, in which a new drug needs to be no worse than existing therapies. Superiority is a more difficult endpoint, and it is possible that plazomicin demonstrates efficacy in the CRE setting, yet fails to demonstrate statistically significant improvements in overall survival.
- **Difficult Trial to Conduct:** CRE is still a relatively rare infection and the patients being targeted are extremely ill. Enrollment could be challenging, and predicting enrollment rate and mortality in the control arm is difficult. Even with the projected enrollment, the timeline to final data is not until H1:17.
- Competition: Several Gram-negative drugs are in development that could potentially treat CRE, including drugs from The Medicines Company and Forest/AstraZeneca. The Medicines Company has publicly stated that it intends to pursue a faster strategy for potential approval and carbavance could reach the market before or at the same time as plazomicin.
- Activity and Safety in Pneumonia and Blood Stream Infections Unknown: The relative efficacy and safety of plazomicin in CRE pneumonia and blood stream infections is not known. The previous clinical trials were conducted in patients with complicated urinary tract infections.
- Pricing: Most companies developing drugs for resistant bacteria hope to price their drugs at a significant premium to currently used antibiotics. Another alternative approach is to base pricing on the value captured by using the therapeutic (i.e., improvement in survival, hospital avoidance, etc.). However, value-based pricing is not established in this market place, and real clinical benefits will need to be shown to support higher prices.



- Safety: Plazomicin belongs to the class of antibiotics called aminoglycosides, which
 are known to cause kidney toxicity and ototoxicity (hearing loss). AKAO is using dose
 adjustments to enhance safety and efficacy, but toxicity remains a clinical, regulatory,
 and competitive risk.
- CRE Is an Emerging Threat: Currently, the outbreak of CRE is concentrated in certain hotspots. Resistance has spread over time and will likely continue to grow, but forecasting the exact future market size is difficult.

Valuation—\$22 Target Price

Our \$22 target price implies a \$395M market cap using current shares outstanding and an enterprise value of \$312M using current pro-forma financial values. Our valuation is supported by a probability-weighted DCF of the plazomicin franchise (\$355M or \$20/share) and a nominal value to its preclinical assets (\$40M, \$2/share). (See Exhibit 3.) We use a 65% probability of success for plazomicin and a 12.5% discount rate.

We also look at two comparator company metrics to reality check our valuation.

- The current mean and median enterprise values for Phase III antibiotic companies are \$289M and \$208M (AKAO, DRTX, TTPH, CEMP, INSM). (See Exhibit 4.)
- Take-out comps also support a strong valuation, including TSRX at \$707M in cash (+\$111M in CVRs), OPTR at \$535M (+\$266M in CVRs), and privately held Rempex at \$140M (+\$334M in CVRs). (See Exhibit 4.)

The biggest levers in our valuations are the following.

- (1) Probability of Success: We assign a 65% probability of success to plazomicin. We believe existing clinical data and preclinical activity against CRE are sufficient to predict success in CRE pneumonia and blood stream infection. The primary risk is in the powering assumptions underlying the Phase III design.
- (2) Pricing of Plazomicin: We model a net price of \$1,300/day. We believe this could be a conservative estimate, given the (1) high mortality rate of CRE infections, (2) significant value that can be captured by curing a patient of CRE, and (3) proposed legislation that could support a higher price point of antibiotics developed for treating drug-resistant infections.
- (3) **Timing of U.S. and EU approvals:** We assume a U.S. launch for plazomicin in 2018 following the final data analysis in 2017. However, if the efficacy is compelling in one of the two planned interim looks, AKAO may be able file for approval ahead of our expectations. Additionally, AKAO will conduct a "supportive" Phase II study in CRE, and if the results are positive and the FDA is open to an earlier filing based on the small data set, AKAO may be able to obtain accelerated approval for the product.
- (4) Introduction of New Pipeline Program(s): AKAO is expected to start clinical trials with at least one new Gram-negative pipeline candidate in 2015. We do not include this in our valuation. Introducing one or two new drugs into the clinic could add significant value to the stock, especially if initial proof-of-efficacy data are disclosed prior to the completion of the plazomicin Phase III trial.
- (5) We Assume an EU Partnership: We assume that AKAO enters into an EU partnership that includes a \$25M upfront payment and a \$30M EU approval milestone. If AKAO can negotiate a larger deal, this could help extend the cash runway for the company and positively affect our valuation.

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Exhibit 3: Probability-Adjusted Valuation

	Value	\$/share
DCF value of plazomicin	355	\$20
Pipeline	40	\$2
Total	395	\$22

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Exhibit 4: Public Comps and Recent Takeouts

Comp analysis

Company	Ticker	Price	Market cap	Enterprise value	Stage
Cempra, Inc.	CEMP	\$10.85	\$360	\$278	Phase III
Insmed Inc.	INSM	\$17.39	\$683	\$588	Phase III
Achaogen, Inc.	AKAO	\$15.13	\$250	\$167	Phase III
Durata Therapeutics	DRTX	\$12.89	\$343	\$208	NDA filed
Tetraphase Pharma.	TTPH	\$11.43	\$295	\$203	Phase III
Mean				\$289	
Median				\$208	

Recent takeouts

Company	Ticker	Acquirer	Date	Price
Trius Therapeutics	TSRX	CBST	July 30, 2013	\$707M in cash + \$111 in CVRs
Optimer Pharma.	OPTR	CBST	July 30, 2013	\$535M in cash + \$266 in CVRs
Rempex Pharma.	Private	MDCO	Dec. 4, 2013	\$140M upfront + \$334M in milestones

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Exhibit 5: AKAO Earnings Model

	2013A	Q1:14E	Q2:14E	Q3:14E	Q4:14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Revenues												
Plazomicin US sales										63.5	105.0	154.4
Plazomicin EU royalties (20%)										3.1	7.3	18.0
Contract revenue	18.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	15.0	15.0	15.0	40.0	45.0	11.3	
Total revenues	18.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	15.0	15.0	15.0	40.0	111.6	123.6	172.4
Expenses												
COGS										7.6	13.0	20.0
R&D	23.5	8.2	4.5	4.7	5.0	22.4	22.6	24.8	27.3	39.5	35.0	46.1
G&A	7.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	8.5	9.3	11.1	17.0	50.0	55.0	57.8
Total operating expenses	30.5	10.3	6.6	6.9	7.2	30.9	31.9	37.9	57.0	97.1	103.0	123.8
Operating income (loss)	(12.0)	(6.5)	(2.8)	(3.1)	(3.4)	(15.9)	(16.9)	(22.9)	(17.0)	14.5	20.6	48.6
Total Other Income (Expense)	(1.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.4)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Pre Tax Income	(13.1)	(6.7)	(2.9)	(3.2)	(3.5)	(16.3)	(16.6)	(22.5)	(16.6)	15.0	21.1	49.1
Income tax expense (benefit)												
Net Income	(13.1)	(6.7)	(2.9)	(3.2)	(3.5)	(16.3)	(16.6)	(22.5)	(16.6)	15.0	21.1	49.1
EPS - diluted (proforma)		(\$0.60)	(\$0.16)	(\$0.18)	(\$0.19)	(\$1.00)	(\$0.91)	(\$0.95)	(\$0.69)	\$0.56	\$0.79	\$1.83
Shares outstanding - diluted (proforma)		11.13	17.82	17.91	18.00	16.22	18.23	23.63	24.11	26.64	26.77	26.90

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.



Key Modeling Assumptions for Plazomicin

We model first plazomicin sales in 2018 and peak share in 2021. Our model projects \$274M (unadjusted) in U.S. sales at a peak penetration of approximately 25%; ex-U.S. sales in that year are estimated at \$213M (unadjusted). Sales continue to grow through price and market growth through 2024. Our model is based on projections of the CRE market globally and assumes that patients are treated both for confirmed CRE and empirically for suspected CRE (shorter course).

Market assumptions could prove conservative both on price and penetration

Assumptions

- **Pricing:** We estimate that plazomicin is priced at \$1,300 per day (increases 5% per year thereafter), suggesting a \$9,000 to \$18,000 price for 7-14 days of therapy. Recent legislation introduced in the House of Representatives (DISARM Act) could support higher pricing for antibiotics approved for serious infections like CRE.
- Empirical Treatment: We believe patients suspected of having CRE will be treated empirically with plazomicin before confirmation of the pathogen. We estimate that approximately three patients will be treated empirically for each patient treated with a confirmed infection. We model an average of 2.5 days of empiric therapy, while those with confirmed CRE will receive an average of 10 days of therapy.
- Market Size: We use a starting patient population of 18,000 with confirmed CRE in the U.S. in 2013 (growing at 12% initially, before leveling off at 5%). We assume plazomicin reaches a peak penetration of 25% in 2021 in the U.S. and reaches peak U.S. sales of \$285M in 2024. We assume that AKAO markets the drug in the U.S. by itself and partners in EU. We assume a 20% royalty rate on EU sales.

Market size could also become larger if CRE spread continues at a rapid pace

BARDA Funding for Phase III Program

Total government funding for plazomicin from the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) is \$103.8M. AKAO has already received \$43.4M to support earlier development and manufacturing, and BARDA is committed to up to \$60.4M for the Phase III clinical trial.

BARDA has committed \$103.8M for plazomicin development

The BARDA contract also has an option to support the proposed safety study, but the funding potentially provided by this option has not been determined. Importantly, there are no commercial obligations for the funding received from BARDA (i.e., no royalties or future financial rights).

We view the BARDA funds as a significant source of non-dilutive funding that provides leverage to its current cash resources. While there is inherent risk with government contracts, including the potential for a unilateral change in terms by the Government, we expect that AKAO is likely to receive the full benefit of the committed funds from BARDA.

Pricing—A Potential Benefit of the Phase III Design

We believe that AKAO will have significant pricing power if it demonstrates an overall survival benefit over the current standard of care, colistin. The value proposition for an antibiotic that has a survival benefit in blood stream and pneumonia infections caused by CRE is significant. Relative to cancer therapeutics that extend the life of a patient by a short period (i.e., months), an antibiotic may allow a patient to fully recover from their infection and lead a normal life not possible without the therapeutic. The company intends to conduct pharmaeconomic analyses during the Phase III study (i.e., reduction in days on ventilation, days in ICU, etc.) that will help support the value proposition of the therapy to payors.



Exhibit 6: Plazomicin Sales Model

	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Confirmed CRE	45,600	50,136	37,632	42,148	47,206	52,870	55,514	58,289	61,204	64,264	67,477	70,851
US	18,000	20,160	22,579	25,289	28,323	31,722	33,308	34,974	36,722	38,558	40,486	42,511
EU5	12,000	13,440	15,053	16,859	18,882	21,148	22,206	23,316	24,482	25,706	26,991	28,340
Rest of EU	15,600	16,536	17,528	18,580	19,695	20,876	21,920	30,311	31,826	33,417	35,088	36,843
Suspected CRE	136,800	100,800	112,896	126,444	141,617	158,611	166,541	174,868	183,612	192,792	202,432	212,554
US	54,000	60,480	67,738	75,866	84,970	95,166	99,925	104,921	110,167	115,675	121,459	127,532
EU5	36,000	40,320	45,158	50,577	56,647	63,444	66,617	69,947	73,445	77,117	80,973	85,021
Rest of EU	46,800	49,608	52,584	55,740	59,084	62,629	65,760	90,932	95,478	100,252	105,265	110,528
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US Build	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Confirmed CRE												
Penetration						10%	15%	20%	25%	25%	25%	25%
Patients treated	l					3,172	4,996	6,995	9,181	9,640	10,122	10,628
Treatment cours	se (days)					10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Days of treatme	ent					31,722	49,962	69,947	91,806	96,396	101,216	106,277
Cost per day (gross)					1,300	1,365	1,433	1,505	1,580	1,659	1,742
Cost per day (n	et)					1,144	1,201	1,261	1,324	1,391	1,460	1,533
Sales (M)						\$36.3	\$60.0	\$88.2	\$121.6	\$134.0	\$147.8	\$162.9
Suspected CRE												
Penetration						10%	15%	20%	25%	25%	25%	25%
Patients treated	I					9,517	14,989	20,984	27,542	28,919	30,365	31,883
Treatment cours	se (days)					2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Days of treatme	ent					23,791.61	37,472	52,461	68,854	72,297	75,912	79,708
Cost per day (n	et)					1,144	1,201	1,261	1,324	1,391	1,460	1,533
Sales (M)						\$27.2	\$45.0	\$66.2	\$91.2	\$100.5	\$110.8	\$122.2
Total US sales						\$63.5	\$105.0	\$154.4	\$212.8	\$234.6	\$258.6	\$285.1

EU5 Build	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Confirmed CRE												
Penetration						3%	8%	14%	21%	21%	21%	21%
Patients treated	d					719	1,699	3,170.95	5,202	5,462	5,736	6,022
Treatment cour	se (days)					10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Days of treatme	ent					7,190	16,987	31,709	52,023	54,625	57,356	60,224
Cost per day (net)					975	975	975	975	975	975	975
Sales (M)						\$7.0	\$16.6	\$30.9	\$50.7	\$53.3	\$55.9	\$58.7
Suspected CRE												
Penetration						3%	8%	14%	21%	21%	21%	21%
Patients treated	d .					2,157	5,096	9,513	15,607	16,387	17,207	18,067
Treatment cour	se (days)					2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Days of treatme	ent					5,393	12,740	23,782	39,018	40,968	43,017	45,168
Cost per day (i	net)					975	975	975	975	975	975	975
Sales (M)						\$5.3	\$12.4	\$23.2	\$38.0	\$39.9	\$41.9	\$44.0
Total EU sales						\$12.3	\$29.0	\$54.1	\$88.8	\$93.2	\$97.9	\$102.8

Total rest of EU sa	ales					\$7.8	\$18.3	\$45.0	\$73.9	\$77.5	\$81.4	\$85.5
Sales (M)						\$3.3	\$7.8	\$19.3	\$31.7	\$33.2	\$34.9	\$36.6
Cost per day (net	t)					780	780	780	780	780	780	780
Days of treatment						4,259	10,061	24,733	40,578	42,607	44,737	46,974
Treatment course						2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Patients treated						1,704	4,025	9,893	16,231	17,043	17,895	18,790
Penetration						3%	6%	11%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Suspected CRE												
Sales (M)						\$4.4	\$10.5	\$25.7	\$42.2	\$44.3	\$46.5	\$48.9
Cost per day (net	t)					780	780	780	780	780	780	780
Days of treatment						5,678	13,415	32,978	54,104	56,809	59,650	62,632
Treatment course	. , ,					10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Patients treated						568	1,342	3,298	5,410	5,681	5,965	6,263
Penetration						2.7%	6%	11%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Confirmed CRE												
Rest of EU	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E

Sales												
summary	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Sales by region												
US						\$63.5	\$105.0	\$154.4	\$212.8	\$234.6	\$258.6	\$285.1
EU5						\$12.3	\$29.0	\$54.1	\$88.8	\$93.2	\$97.9	\$102.8
Rest of EU						\$7.8	\$18.3	\$45.0	\$73.9	\$77.5	\$81.4	\$85.5
Total						\$83.5	\$152.3	\$253.5	\$375.4	\$405.3	\$437.9	\$473.4
Sales by setting												
Confirmed CRE						\$47.7	\$87.0	\$144.9	\$214.5	\$231.6	\$250.2	\$270.5
Suspected CRE						\$35.8	\$65.3	\$108.6	\$160.9	\$173.7	\$187.7	\$202.9
Total						\$83.5	\$152.3	\$253.5	\$375.4	\$405.3	\$437.9	\$473.4

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.



Plazomicin Pivotal Trial Plans

Plazomicin is a member of the aminoglycoside class of antibiotics designed to overcome aminoglycoside resistance mechanisms (i.e., enzyme mediated degradation). The compound was discovered by modifying the chemical structure of an existing aminoglycoside, sisomicin, to shield regions of the molecule targeted by aminoglycoside degrading enzymes.

Plazomicin was discovered and developed at AKAO, specifically to overcome drug resistance

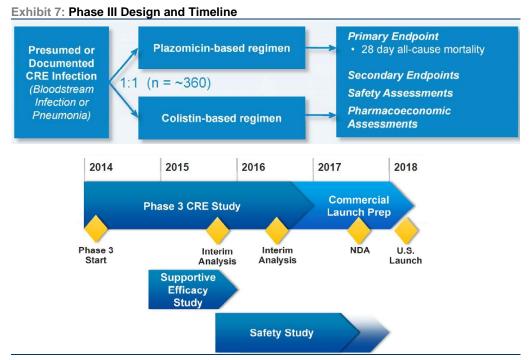
Plazomicin is active against many MDR pathogens for which other antibiotics including available aminoglycosides have limited activity. The drug is being developed in Phase III for the treatment of MDR enterobacteriaceae infections including CRE, particularly pneumonia and blood stream infections. Previously, the Phase II trial demonstrated non-inferiority to a comparator in treating complicated urinary tract infections arising from non-CRE bacteria.

Phase III Overview

AKAO has initiated a Phase III study that will serve as a single pivotal study for full approval of plazomicin. This study is unique in that it will have a primary endpoint based on overall survival, which is different from a typical antibiotic study based on a non-inferiority endpoint.

Only antibiotic targeting a survival benefit over standard of care

The study will randomize approximately 360 patients with presumed or documented bloodstream or pneumonia CRE infections, to either a plazomicin-based regimen or a colistin-based regimen. (See Exhibit 7.) Physicians will have the discretion to add an additional antibiotic (meropenem of tigycycline) to either regimen after randomization. The choice of meropenam or tigycycline is left to investigators and is not part of the stratification.



Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.



Stratification

Patients will be stratified based on three criteria that would be expected to affect the primary endpoint of 28-day mortality.

Key risk factors should be balanced

- Type of Infection: blood stream infection versus pneumonia
- Time from Empiric Therapy to Definitive Therapy: 0-36 hours versus 36-72 hours. All patients in the study need to be randomized within 72 hours of initial treatment.
- APACHE II Score: 15-20 versus 20-30. The inclusion criteria is 15-30 on this 0-71 point scale. APACHE II is the Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation II scoring system. An APACHE II score of 15-30 would be expected to have an approximate 35% mortality rate when treated with an effective antibiotic

Clinical Assumptions in Phase III

The Phase III trial aims to demonstrate a 35% relative reduction in mortality assuming a 35% 28-day mortality rate in the control arm. This translates into an absolute difference of approximately 12% (23% versus 35%).

Looking for a 35% relative reduction in 28-day mortality

AKAO bases its assumption on a meta-analysis of 309 patients treated for cabapenamase-producing enterobacteriaceae. In that study, patient outcome was analyzed based on baseline susceptibility/resistance to the antibiotic used. Patients deemed susceptible had a 14% mortality rate and patients deemed resistant had a 35% mortality rate. This is an overall 21% absolute difference and a 60% relative difference.

AKAO assumes that a CRE population treated with a partially effective colistin regimen should have mortality in line with the "resistant" arm of the meta-analysis (i.e., 35%). Patients treated with an effective regimen containing plazomicin should have mortality in-line with the "susceptible" arm of the meta-analysis (i.e., 14%). The trial was powered for a less significant benefit of 12% absolute and 35% relative.

Exhibit 8: Clinical Basis for Statistical Assumptions

Meta-Analysis of mortality in patients

with CPE bloodstream infections **All Patients** (N=309)Segregate by MIC Isolates with MICs Isolates with MICs < 4µg/mL (N=85) ≥ 4µg/mL (N=224) Mortality Impact of → 35% Effective Therapy Rate **Absolute Reduction** 21% in Mortality 95% CI [10-30%] Relative Reduction in 60%

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Mortality



Regulatory Interactions and Expectations

The Phase III study is being conducted under an SPA from the FDA. Both the FDA and the EMA have confirmed that the single Phase III study will be sufficient for approval if positive.

Final data are anticipated in H1:17 based on enrollment projections, and there are two prespecified interim analyses projected, one in H2:15 and another in H2:16. The study can be stopped early for efficacy or futility. However, the company has not released the threshold for stopping early for efficacy for either interim look.

The FDA has asked for a safety database of 300 patients treated at the recommended dose of 15mg/kg for 7-14 days. The prior studies tested doses up to 20mg/kg for 5 days, so AKAO needs to augment its safety database with patients dosed at the 15mg/kg for 7-14 days. These will include a 50-patient descriptive study in patients with serious CRE infections and a 70-patient safety study (both described in more detail in later sections).

Thorough Diligence Behind Phase III Preparation

One of the primary investor concerns is the potential difficulty of conducting a randomized Phase III trial in seriously ill CRE patients. AKAO's preparations in advance of the trial are critical in lowering this risk and giving us confidence in the conduct of the trial.

AKAO has assessed the practicality of the Phase III study with in-depth analyses of many of the study parameters. It has completed the following steps to strengthen the probability of success for the study:

- Target Enrollment: AKAO assessed each clinical site to determine the number of CRE patients currently treated and if the planned study sites would be able to enroll the target number of patients collectively within the proposed timeline of the study.
- Overall Survival Endpoint: The assumption of a 35% relative benefit in 28-day mortality is based on a meta-analysis that aimed to determine the benefit of an effective treatment in the setting of drug-resistant bloodstream infections. In that analysis, there was a 60% relative benefit, making AKAO's assumptions conservative. (See Exhibit 8.) The APACHE II entry criteria is also designed to ensure patients are sick enough to expect a 35% mortality rate in the control arm.
- Identification of "Presumed" CRE Infections: AKAO confirmed that each site has the necessary laboratory equipment to perform the required diagnostic tests to determine the presence of one or more carbapenemase enzymes, a likely indication of a CRE infection. This assay should aid enrollment and ensure a higher level of confirmed CRE cases.
- Confirmation of CRE Infections: Each site needs to conduct microbiological tests to confirm the CRE infection within a two- to three-day window. All sites have adequate microbiology on-site. AKAO defines CRE as an enterobacteriaceae isolate with a MIC ≥ 4 µg/mL for a type 2 carbapenem (Imipenem, doripenem, and meropenem).
- Study Design Has an SPA from FDA: AKAO received an SPA from the FDA regarding the Phase III design, which removes some of the regulatory risk associated with trial design, comparator arm, endpoints, etc. Both the FDA and EMA have indicated that the proposed Phase III study will be sufficient to support approval.



Dosing to Be Monitored with In Vitro Assay

AKAO has developed an *in vitro* assay that will help monitor the blood levels of plazomicin through a process known as therapeutic drug monitoring. The assay will measure plazomicin following the dosing to ensure that the blood levels do not get too low or get too high during the treatment period in the Phase III study.

The goal of therapeutic drug monitoring is to ensure that therapeutic levels of the drug are reached and maintained, while minimizing the safety risk. Therapeutic drug monitoring is frequently used for aminoglycosides and the FDA has cleared this assay for use in the Phase III study. While this process adds complexity to the study, we view it as a risk reduction in the final analysis. The clinical performance evaluation necessary for approval will be completed in parallel to the Phase III study.

Additional Trials—Supportive and Safety Studies

Phase II "Supportive" Study

AKAO plans initiate a 50-patient supportive trial in CRE patients. AKAO plans to start this study by YE:14, and top-line data from this study could be available by Q4:15.

The specific design is not yet described, but it will be an open label study and enroll patients with serious CRE infections requiring 7-14 days of therapy. Infections may include blood stream infections and pneumonia (like the Phase III) but will likely have wider entry criteria, which could include cUTI or patients resistant to colistin.

The goal of the study will be to gain additional experience with the drug in the target population. If very successful, AKAO may be able to approach U.S. and EU regulators about a faster path to market, although this would be data dependent and there is no specific guidance from regulators or the company with respect to a fast-to-market strategy.

This trial could have two key benefits for investors:

- It will provide data in CRE patients ahead of the Phase III results. This could give investors greater confidence in the Phase III trial design and ultimate outcome.
- This data set, in combination with its prior clinical data, could potentially be sufficient to support a filing for approval in CRE if FDA is compelled by the results and the unmet medical need (this is not in our assumptions).

Phase II "Safety" Study

FDA has asked for a safety database of 300 patients treated at 15mg/kg for 7-14 days. To reach that target number, AKAO plans to conduct a non-randomized safety study of an additional 70 patients. This trial will run in parallel to the Phase III trial. The primary goal will be to expand the safety database. If AKAO decides to pursue a fast-to-market strategy, this trial could be expanded or accelerated to gain greater safety experience, but there is no guidance from the company with respect to a fast-to-market strategy.

Supportive trial could provide first data in CRE by year-end 2015



Prior Clinical and Preclinical Results Predict Success

The development program in CRE is based on proven Phase II efficacy and safety in Gram-negative infections, PK/PD analysis, and in vitro findings of efficacy against CRE isolates. If therapeutic drug levels can be safely achieved, preclinical efficacy data becomes highly predictive of clinical success in antibiotic development generally, and we believe the same is true for plazomicin.

Preclinical and PK/PD data are highly predictive of efficacy for antibiotics

In Vitro Activity Against CRE Isolates at Doses Easily Achieved

AKAO examined the activity of plazomicin relative to other antibiotics in CRE clinical isolates. Plazomicin has better efficacy than all other antibiotics examined (see Exhibit 9), and this activity was within the range achievable with a single daily dosing of plazomicin. Additionally, one of the Phase I studies demonstrated that plazomicin penetrated the lungs in healthy subjects, which is critical for success in pneumonia.

Anti-CRE drug levels can be easily attained

Safety Demonstrated at Target Doses

The safety profile of plazomicin has been consistent with other members of the aminoglycoside class of antibiotics. Importantly, the Phase I and Phase II studies suggest that plazomicin can be administered safely at therapeutic doses predicted to have efficacy against CRE.

Safety at the target dose has been established

Plazomicin has been administered to 239 healthy volunteers or patients with infections at doses from 1 to 20 mg/kg. The primary toxicities were renal (kidney) and ototoxicity (hearing), which are both class effects of aminoglycosides.

In the Phase II trial, patients were dosed at 15mg/kg for five days. The ongoing Phase III trial uses this same dose but for a longer 7-14 treatment regimen, which adds some safety risk.

Exhibit 9: Superior Potency Against CRE

Microbiological Potency of Plazomicin and Available Therapies vs. Clinical Isolates of CRE

Compound	Class	N	MIC ₅₀ (μg/ml)	MIC ₉₀ (μg/ml)
Plazomicin	Aminoglycoside	807	0.5	2
Gentamicin	Aminoglycoside	807	4	128
Amikacin	Aminoglycoside	806	32	64
Ciprofloxacin	Fluoroquinolone	767	8	8
Ceftazidime	Cephalosporin	510	64	>128
Piperacillin/tazobactam	Penicillin/Beta- lactamase inhibitor	731	>128	>128
Tigecycline	Glycycline	723	1	2
Colistin/polymyxin B	Polymyxin	692	1	4

Susceptible Non-Susceptible N=number of strains within the overall set of 807 strains tested vs. the given antibiotic. CLSI 2012 susceptibility criteria were used except for tigecycline and colistin, for which EUCAST 2013 criteria were used because CLSI criteria were not available. Solates selected had an MIC22 µg/mL for any type 2 carbapenem, a value defined as non-susceptible for this class according to CLSI.

Data includes clinical isolates from three studies: 1) J Chemother. 2012 Aug;24(4):191-4, 2) J Antimicrob Chemother. 2011 Jan;66(1):48-53, 3) J Antimicrob Chemother. 2010 Oct;65(10):2123-7

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.



Phase II Study in cUTI—Clear Efficacy Demonstrated

The Phase II study in patients with complicated urinary tract infections (cUTI) demonstrated that plazomicin had similar clinical activity to levofloxacin against Gram-negative bacteria. This study was a randomized, double-blind study examining two doses or plazomicin (10 mg/kg and 15 mg/kg) versus a single dose of levofloxacin (750 mg). The primary endpoint was microbiological eradication for the mITT patient population at day 12. The goal was non-inferiority.

Phase II demonstrated efficacy against Gram-negative bacteria

Plazomicin dosed at the 10 mg/kg and 15 mg/kg demonstrated a 50.0% and 60.8% eradication, respectively, versus 58.6% for levofloxacin in the mITT group.

Exhibit 10: Positive Phase II in cUTI

By-Patient	Plazomicin	Plazomicin	Levofloxacin			
Microbiological Response	10 mg/kg	15 mg/kg	750 mg			
	Microbiologically I	Evaluable (ME)				
N	7	35	21			
Eradication, n (%)	6 (85.7%)	31 (88.6%)	17 (81.0%)			
95% CI	(42.1%-99.6%)	(42.1%–99.6%) (73.3%–96.8%)				
Difference (95% CI)			-7.6% (-31.3%, 16.0%)			
	Modified Intent-to	o-Treat (MITT)				
N	12	51	29			
Eradication, n (%)	6 (50.0%)	31 (60.8%)	17 (58.6%)			
95% CI	21.1%-78.9%	46.1%-74.2%	38.9%-76.5%			
Difference (95% CI)			-2.2% (-27.2%, 22.9%)			

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Safety Consistent with Aminoglycosides

There were reports of mild nephrotoxicity and ototoxicity in the Phase II study. There was one case of mild azotemia (increased urea nitrogen in the blood) that was considered drug related and mild acute renal insufficiency that was not considered drug related. Importantly, the average serum creatinine values were consistent over the five-day dosing period, suggesting there was no global change in the kidney function for the patients in the study. There were two reports of ototoxicity, one case of unilateral permanent ringing noise (tinnitus) and mild transient vertigo, and both cases were deemed related to the drug. Both of these adverse events are frequently observed with aminoglycosides.

Kidney and ear toxicity is consistent with aminoglycoside class

Exhibit 11: Phase I and II Clinical Trials of Plazomicin

Trial	Objectives	Design	Plazomicin Doses	# of Subjects
hase 1 PK,	, Safety and Tol	erability		
490-001	Safety and PK after single and multiple doses in healthy subjects	Double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, dose-escalation study	1, 4, 7, 11, 15 mg/kg IV for 3–10 days	39
490-003	Safety, PK and lung penetration in healthy subjects	Double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled	Cohort 1: 15 mg/kg IV for 5 days Cohort 2A/2B: 10.7/15 mg/kg IV, single dose	40
490-004	Safety and PK in subjects with renal impairment	Open label	7.5 mg/kg IV, single dose	24
490-006	Thorough QT or TQT in healthy subjects	Randomized, double-blind, placebo and positive-controlled crossover	15 mg/kg IV, single dose 20 mg/kg IV, single dose	Part 1=8 Part 2=56
hase 2 Effi	icacy and Safety	/		
490-002	Safety, efficacy, and PK in patients with cUTI	Double-blind, randomized, comparator-controlled, multicenter	10 mg/kg IV for 5 days 15 mg/kg IV for 5 days	145

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.



Improved Regulatory Environment for Antibiotics

Over the past few years the regulatory environment for new antibiotics has significantly improved and we believe that this trend is going to continue. The impact on AKAO and other companies in the space includes:

- 1) Longer exclusivity period for approved drugs
- 2) More cooperation with FDA to design appropriate trials
- 3) Faster drug approvals
- 4) Potential fast-to-market strategies for high unmet medical needs
- 5) Potential improvements in the reimbursement landscape

GAIN Act Provides New Incentives for Antibiotic Development

Congress passed the GAIN Act in 2012 to promote the development of new antibiotics. The Act set up the qualified infectious disease product (QIDP) designation that is granted to antibiotics in specific indications. AKAO plans to submit the QIDP application for plazomicin, and we believe FDA will grant the designation (as it has for almost all new antibiotics).

The QIDP provides antibiotic drug developers with two key incentives.

- Extra Five Years of Market Exclusivity in Addition to the Five Years Already Provided under Hatch-Waxman: We believe this is the most significant portion of the legislation and it is unique to antibiotic development. A Paragraph IV challenge can be made one year prior to the end of data exclusivity, which is in year four for most drugs and now year nine for drugs with the QIDP designation (potentially six months longer with a pediatric extension).
- FDA Priority Review Potentially Shortens Review Period to Six Months: The six-month review clock potentially means that drugs could reach the market quicker.

The QIDP designation also makes the drugs eligible for fast track status but AKAO already received fast track status for plazomicin in 2012. This might help facilitate additional discussions ahead of potential receipt of QIDP status.

GAIN Act Could Provide Faster Route to Approval for Drug-Resistant Organisms

The GAIN Act also calls for the FDA to develop new guidelines for the development of antibiotics to treat multidrug-resistant infections. These clinical/regulatory pathways will be developed for each indication and could provide drug developers with faster paths to market in more limited indications with high unmet medical need. These new pathways are likely to be tested first for some of the emerging Gram (-) antibiotics that target highly resistant pathogens, such as plazomicin and/or carbavance.

Under these guidelines, it may be possible for AKAO to pursue a faster to-market strategy in CRE, potentially based on the Phase II "Supportive" study in CRE. AKAO has not outlined any potential fast-to-market strategy, as it would be dependent on particularly good results.



Reimbursement Could Turn More Favorable

A new Bill was recently introduced into the House of Representatives called the DISARM Act, which aims to improve the reimbursement environment for new antibiotics that treat significant disease threats, such as drug-resistant bacteria.

This Bill aims to replace the current DRG reimbursement model, which penalizes hospitals for using expensive drugs with an ASP plus a CMS-determined percentage. This could remove the "penalty" for using more expensive drugs and provide a framework for companies to charge higher prices, more in-line with the high unmet need and smaller target patient populations.

The specific pathogens targeted in this legislation would include those listed in the recent CDC report, and include many of the drug-resistant, Gram-negative bacteria including pseudomonas and CRE and *C. difficile*. We believe that AKAO is one of the few antibiotic companies that would stand to benefit most from the proposed legislation, as its only clinical stage product is being developed for an agent on the CDC list.



The Gram-Negative Threat and Current Landscape

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) published its 2013 Threat Report, which highlighted the top antibiotic resistant threats in the United States. This list provides investors with a general roadmap for FDA's likely prioritization of new antibiotics in development.

There are two observations that are key for AKAO:

- Of the 14 urgent and serious threats, 5 are Gram-negative bacteria, the stated focus and area of expertise at AKAO.
- CRE is among the top three, listed as urgent threats; plazomicin is the only drug solely targeting this organism in its pivotal development program.

Exhibit 12: Top Antibiotic Resistance Threats in 2013

Urgent Threats

- Clostridium difficile
- Carbapenem resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)
- X Drug-resistant Neisseria gonorrhoeae

Serious Threats

- Multi-drug resistant Acinetobacter
 - Drug-resistant Campylocaber
 - Fluconazole-resistant Candida (a fungus)
- X Extended spectrum β-lactamase producing Enterobacteriaceae (ESBLs)
 - Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus (VRE)
- Multi-drug resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa
 - Drug-resistant Salmonella Typhi (and non-typhodal)
 - Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)
 - Drug-resistant Streptococcus pneumoniae
 - Drug-resistant tuberculosis
 - Drug-resistant Shigella
- Source: Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2013, CDC.

Current Treatments

The landscape of Gram-negative antibiotics includes broad-spectrum drugs (target both Gram-negative and Gram-positive). The typical drug approval path has been to run trials in both intra-abdominal and urinary tract infections (cIAI and cUTI). These infections are typically caused by Gram-negative bacteria. The largest market and greatest unmet need for Gram-negative antibiotics is pneumonia, which can be either hospital acquired (HAP) or community acquired (CAP). Approved drugs for serious Gram-negative infections span the range of antibiotic drug classes. (See Exhibit 13.)

The biggest problem in the field of Gram-negative infections is the emergence of resistance to the most powerful available drugs, such as carbapenam. This is further complicated by the presence of multiple resistance mechanisms yielding so called multidrug-resistant (MDR) bacteria, the so-called killer bugs.







Exhibit 13: Marketed Gram-Negative Therapeutics

				Class of		Approved	Indication	ns
Antibiotic name	Company	ROA	Dosing	molecule	NP	IAI	UTI	cSSSI
Zosyn (piperacillin/tazobactan	n) Pfizer / GENERIC	IV	3-4X / day	Amplicillin / β-lactamase inhibitor	1	/	×	√
Doriba (doripenem)	Janssen T	IV	3X / day	Carbapenem	×	/	\checkmark	×
Primaxin (imipenem / cilastatin)	MERCK / GENERIC	IV, IM	3-4X / day	Carbapenem	/	/	/	\checkmark
Merrem IV (Meropenem)	AstraZeneca 🕏 / GENERIC	IV	3X / day	Carbapenem	×	/	×	\checkmark
Fortaz (ceftazidime)	gsk GlaxoSmithKline / GENERIC	IV	3X / day	3rd Generation cephalosporin	1	/	\checkmark	/
Maxipim (cefepime)	Bristol-Myers Squibb / GENERIC	IV	2X / day	4th Generation cephalosporin	/	/	\checkmark	\checkmark
Cipro (ciprofloxacin)	Bayer / GENERIC	Oral and IV	2-3X / day	Quinolone	1	×	1	\checkmark
Levaqui (levofloxacin)	Janssen Ceneric	Oral and IV	1X / day	Quinolone	1	x	1	√

NP nosocomial (hospital-acquired) pneumonia, IAI intraabdominal infection, UTI urinary tract infection, cSSSI complicated skin and skin structure infections; ROA route of administration, IV intravenous, IM intramuscular.

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

Strategies to Overcome Resistance

The current treatment strategies advancing for drug-resistant Gram-negative infections include:

- New cephalosporin combined with an existing betalactamase inhibitor (Cubist)
- Existing cephalosporin combined with a new betalactamase inhibitor (Forest)
- Existing carbapenam with a new betalactamase inhibitor (The Medicines Company)
- New aminoglycoside (Achaogen)
- New tetracycline (Tetraphase)

Each of these approaches is very likely to work. However, each drug and drug combination will likely have slightly different antibiotic coverage and safety profile. (See Exhibit 14.)



Exhibit 14: Therapeutics in Late-Stage Development

							Indication	ons Sough	t & Clinica	ıl Stage
Antibiotic name	Company	Status	CRE trials	Dosing	Bactericidal	Class of molecule	Pneum.	IAI	UTI	Other
CXA-201 (ceftolozane/tazobacta	m) CUBIST	NDA filing H1:14	No	3X / day	Yes	Cephalosporin / β-lactamase inhibitor	Phase III ready	Phase III complete	Phase III complete	
Ceftazidime/Avibactan	Forest Laboratories, Inc. AstraZeneca	Phase III	No	3X / day	Yes	Cephalosporin / β-lactamase inhibitor	Phase III	Phase III	Phase III	
Eravacycline	TETRAPHASE	Phase III	No	Testing 1-2X / day	No	Tetracycline		Phase III	Phase III	
Plazomicin	ACHAOGEN	Phase III	Yes	1X / day	Yes	Aminoglycoside			Phase II	CRE Phase III
Teflaro (ceftaroline) & Avibactam	Forest Laboratories, Inc.	Phase II	No	Testing 2-3X / day	Yes	Cephalosporin / β-lactamase inhibitor			Phase II	Phase I
KB001	(EKALOBIOS / SANOFI	Phase II	No	NA	No	PcrV antibody	Phase II			CF - Phase II
Carbavance	THE MEDICINES COMPANY	Phase I	Yes	NA	Yes	Carbapenem / β-lactamase inhibitor			Phase III ready	CRE Phase II

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates.

The Emergence of a New Killer Bug and the Landscape for CRE Drugs

Carbapenem-resistant bacteria were first identified more than 20 years ago. During the 1980s and 1990s, increased prevalence of ESBL K. pneumonia and E. coli contributed to increased use of carbapenems (imipenem, meropenem, etc.), which are typically one of the last lines of defense against Gram-negative infections. Eventually, resistance to carbapenems increased.

Carbapenem-resistant bacteria are commonly resistant to other types of antibiotics used to treat Gram-negative infections, including cephalosporins, beta-lactam / beta-lactamase inhibitor combinations, fluoroquinolones, and aminoglycosides. Common carbapenem-resistant Gram-negative pathogens include enterobacteriaceae, acinetobacter baumannii, and pseudomonas aeruginosa.

Currently, available therapies for the treatment of multidrug-resistant infections include tigecycline (Tygacil - marketed by Pfizer), generic aminoglycosides such as gentamicin, amikacin, and tobramycin, and generic polymixins, such as colistin and polymixin B. Even with these treatments, bloodstream infections due to carbapenemase-producing K pneumonia typically have mortality rates approaching 50%.

Other drugs in development (besides plazomicin) that have the potential to treat serious infections caused by CRE include:

- Ceftazidime / avibactam is being developed by Forest Laboratories and AstraZeneca
 for pneumonia and cUTI and cIAI. The combination includes an existing cephalosporin
 (ceftazidime) with a novel β-lactamase inhibitor (avibactam). Ceftazidime/avibactam
 has strong activity in KPC (kleb and E. Coli), particularly ESBL enterobacteriaceae.
- Carbavance is being developed by The Medicines Company for cUTI and MDR Gram-negative infections, including CRE. The drug combines an existing carbapenam (not yet named) with a novel beta-lactamase inhibitor designed to block a wide range of carbapenamases.



 Eravacycline is a novel fluorocycline antibiotic, similar to tigecycline, with broad activity against all Gram-negative organisms. It is active against MDR Gram-negative and Gram-positive bacteria, A. baumannii, and ESBL and CRE enterobacteriaceae species.

A Pipeline Targeting Pseudomonas

AKAO's pipeline includes two drugs in preclinical development specifically targeting drug-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. This bacteria is a common cause of pneumonia and is listed as a serious threat by CDC.

AKAO expects to advance one or both of its anti-pseudomonas candidates into the clinic in 2015.

- Anti-pseudomonas Therapeutic Antibody: The target of this antibody has not been disclosed, but it is a functionally important cell surface antigen, and the antibody has direct antibiotic activity. With a potential half-life of two weeks, this drug could potentially be dosed infrequently or be used in a prophylactic setting. As an antibody, it is unlikely to have significant toxicity and would likely be readily combinable with other antibiotic drug classes.
- LpxC Inhibitor: This evolutionarily conserved enzyme is required for synthesis of the outer membrane of Gram-negative organisms. AKAO had taken a candidate known as ACHN-975 forward into the clinic, but there were safety issues for this drug (which were likely drug related and not target related). AKAO is working to identify another LpxC inhibitor for future clinical studies.

There are several novel drugs in development that target drug-resistant pseudomonas. These include CBST's Ceftolozane/tazobactam and KaloBios' KB001.

- Ceftolozane/tazobactam is a novel cephalosporin combined with a beta-lactamase inhibitor. Ceftolozane/tazobactam has shown positive results in its Phase III program for both cUTI and cIAI. Phase III studies are planned in HABP and VABP. The drug's main target is pseudomonas aeruginosa, including MDR strains, and many ESBL-producing enterobacteriaceae. However, this drug combination is likely not a good candidate for CRE infections.
- **KB001** has demonstrated promising activity against pseudomonas lung infections and is currently in Phase II development. KB001 is an antibody that is specific for pseudomonas. It is intended to be an adjunct to antibiotic therapy by blocking a key protein on the surface of pseudomonas, which is responsible for its virulence.

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Management

Kenneth J. Hillan, M.B., Ch.B.—Director and Chief Executive Officer

Dr. Hillan joined Achaogen in April 2011 as Chief Medical Officer and was appointed Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors in October 2011. Prior to joining Achaogen, from August 1994 to April 2011, Dr. Hillan was at Genentech, Inc. and was responsible for numerous successful drug approvals and led the medical and scientific strategies for its Immunology, Tissue Growth and Repair drug portfolio. He served in a number of key leadership positions in research and development, including Senior Vice President Clinical Development, Inflammation, Vice President Immunology, Tissue Growth and Repair (ITGR), Vice President Development Sciences and Vice President Research Operations and Pathology. Dr. Hillan also previously served as Senior Vice President and head of Clinical Development and Product Development Strategy in Asia-Pacific for Roche in Shanghai, China. Dr. Hillan has an M.B. Ch.B. (Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery) degree from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Glasgow, U.K. Dr. Hillan is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (FRCS), and a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists (FRCPath).

Derek A. Bertocci—Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Bertocci joined Achaogen as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in February 2014. Previously Mr. Bertocci was Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Accuray Incorporated from January 2009 to September 2013. Prior to Accuray, he was Chief Financial Officer of BioForm Medical, Inc. from October 2006 through December 2008, and Chief Financial Officer of Laserscope from June 2005 to July 2006. Before that, Mr. Bertocci served in various roles at VISX Incorporated, including as Chief Financial Officer from March 2004 to May 2005 and Vice President and Controller from 1998 to March 2004. Mr. Bertocci has a B.A. from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from the University of Southern California.

Becki Filice—Senior Vice President, Development Operations and Portfolio Management

Ms. Filice has been the Senior Vice President, Development Operations and Portfolio Management since November 2012. She also served as the Vice President, Development Operations and Portfolio Management from May 2011 to October 2012. Before joining Achaogen, Ms. Filice worked at Genentech for 15 years, and held positions of Senior Director, Project Excellence in Global Development, Senior Director, Project Portfolio Management in Product Development, other roles in Clinical Data Management and Clinical Operations. She also served as Project Team Leader for both the Avastin and Nutropin AQ. Ms. Filice also worked in clinical research at Ligand Pharmaceuticals Inc. and at Syntex, Inc. Ms. Filice has a B.A. in Microbiology from University of California, Davis, and an MBA from Santa Clara University, California.

Christine Murray—Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

Ms. Murray has served as Vice President, Regulatory Affairs at Achaogen since October 2012. Ms. Murray also held the position of Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance. Previously she was Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs at Alexza Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Director and then Senior Director in the Global Regulatory Affairs department of Gilead Sciences, Inc. Before Gilead, Ms. Murray was a regulatory affairs consultant in the U.K. Ms. Murray also worked at Smithkline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, in the Western General Hospital in Edinburgh, and in Yorkhill Hospital in Glasgow. Ms. Murray has a B.S. in Biochemistry from the University of Liverpool in the U.K. and a M.S. degree in Clinical Biochemistry from the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne in the U.K.



Financial Statements

Exhibit 15: AKAO Financial Statements

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	2013A	Q1:14E	Q2:14E	Q3:14E	Q4:14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Revenues												
Plazomicin US sales										63.5	105.0	154.4
Plazomicin EU royalties (20%)										3.1	7.3	18.0
Contract revenue	18.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	15.0	15.0	15.0	40.0	45.0	11.3	
Total revenues	18.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	15.0	15.0	15.0	40.0	111.6	123.6	172.4
Expenses												
COGS										7.6	13.0	20.0
R&D	23.5	8.2	4.5	4.7	5.0	22.4	22.6	24.8	27.3	39.5	35.0	46.1
G&A	7.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	8.5	9.3	11.1	17.0	50.0	55.0	57.8
Total operating expenses	30.5	10.3	6.6	6.9	7.2	30.9	31.9	37.9	57.0	97.1	103.0	123.8
Operating income (loss)	(12.0)	(6.5)	(2.8)	(3.1)	(3.4)	(15.9)	(16.9)	(22.9)	(17.0)	14.5	20.6	48.6
Total Other Income (Expense)	(1.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.4)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Pre Tax Income	(13.1)	(6.7)	(2.9)	(3.2)	(3.5)	(16.3)	(16.6)	(22.5)	(16.6)	15.0	21.1	49.1
Income tax expense (benefit)												
Net Income	(13.1)	(6.7)	(2.9)	(3.2)	(3.5)	(16.3)	(16.6)	(22.5)	(16.6)	15.0	21.1	49.1
EPS - diluted (proforma)		(\$0.60)	(\$0.16)	(\$0.18)	(\$0.19)	(\$1.00)	(\$0.91)	(\$0.95)	(\$0.69)	\$0.56	\$0.79	\$1.83
Shares outstanding - diluted (proforma)		11.13	17.82	17.91	18.00	16.22	18.23	23.63	24.11	26.64	26.77	26.90

Balance sheet

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	2013A	Q1:14E	Q2:14E	Q3:14E	Q4:14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Total Current Assets	19.8	91.1	87.1	84.5	81.8	81.8	69.1	143.9	131.5	151.9	176.2	230.5
TOTAL ASSETS	20.8	92.1	88.1	85.6	82.9	82.9	70.4	145.4	133.2	153.8	178.4	232.9
Total Current Liabilities	11.0	13.3	11.7	11.8	11.9	11.9	12.4	12.8	13.3	14.8	14.2	15.7
Total Liabilities	13.1	13.7	12.1	12.2	12.3	12.3	12.7	13.2	13.6	15.2	14.6	16.0
Total Equity	7.7	78.5	76.0	73.4	70.6	70.6	57.7	132.2	119.6	138.6	163.8	216.9
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	20.8	92.1	88.1	85.6	82.9	82.9	70.4	145.4	133.2	153.8	178.4	232.9

Cash Flow

	2013A	Q1:14E	Q2:14E	Q3:14E	Q4:14E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(13.9)	(3.9)	(3.9)	6.2	(2.6)	(4.2)	(12.1)	(17.7)	(11.8)	20.9	24.9	54.9
Net Cash provided by investing activities	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	17.6	75.3				75.3		93.0				
Net Cash Increase (Decrease)	3.7	71.3	(4.1)	6.0	(2.7)	70.5	(12.7)	74.8	(12.3)	20.3	24.3	54.3
Beginning Cash	7.1	10.7	82.0	78.0	84.0	10.7	81.2	68.6	143.3	131.0	151.4	175.7
Ending Cash	10.7	82.0	78.0	84.0	81.2	81.2	68.6	143.3	131.0	151.4	175.7	230.0

Source: Company data, Credit Suisse estimates



Companies Mentioned (Price as of 04-Apr-2014)

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