

Corporate Update

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Company Overview



- Oncology focused biopharmaceuticals company
 - Novel small molecule therapeutic solutions
 - New mechanism of action
 - Addressing unmet medical needs in major hematological disorders



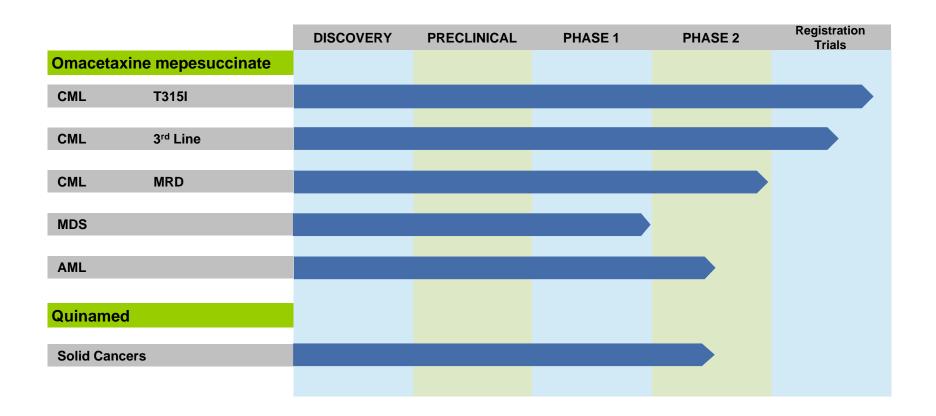
- Late-stage product pipeline
 - NDA and MAA filings 2009
 - Additional indications in late clinical development



- Strong board and senior management team
- Listed on ASX (CXS) and Nasdaq (CXSP)



Pipeline





Omacetaxine Profile

- Broad clinical efficacy
 - Demonstrated clinical activity major diseases; CML, MDS and AML
- Novel mechanism of action
 - Induces apoptosis by inhibition of key oncoproteins, particularly Mcl-1 and XIAP
 - Acts independently of tyrosine kinase inhibitors
 - Effective against major TKI resistance mutations
 - Complementary mechanism of action to current therapies
 - Effective at killing CML stem cells as well as peripheral leukemic cells, unlike the tyrosine kinase inhibitors
- Patient convenient administration
- US patents covering manufacturing, uses and formulations
- Orphan drug designation in US and EU in CML



Commercialization of Omacetaxine

- T315I+ CML: Lead indication
 - Speed to market strategy
 - Niche market: will require a niche strategy to be profitable
- The full potential of omacetaxine driven by:
 - Approval in Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) and/or
 - Development in CML Minimal Residual Disease (MRD)
- Focused capital requirements
 - Complete development of T315I+ CML indication
 - Establish corporate partnership for Omacetaxine EU/ex US
 - Launch of Omacetaxine in US market for T315I+ CML



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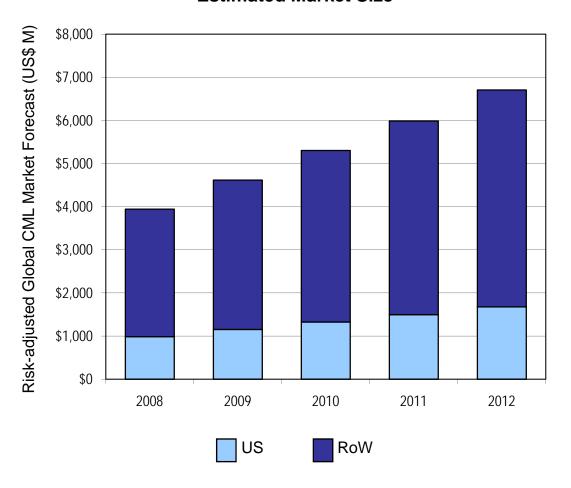


Present and Emerging Opportunities in CML

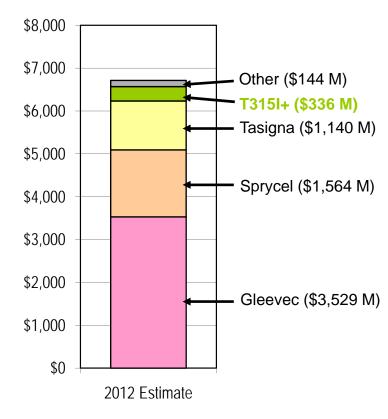
- World CML prevalence >150,000 patients and growing
 - Market growth 18% (CAGR)
- Gleevec® (imatinib) approved in 2001 first effective therapy
 - Targeted tyrosine kinase inhibitor (TKI)
 - Global sales of US\$3.7 billion in 2008 (60-70% in CML) (~ US\$46-74k pa)
- Current challenges with Gleevec
 - Resistance is an emerging issue in CML
 - Gleevec is a suppressant not an eradication therapy Minimal Residual Disease
- Resistance is linked to Bcr-Abl point mutations
 - 44% of TKI failures have mutations T315I most frequent (15-20%)
- Two approved second line therapies
 - Sprycel (dasatinib) by BMS approved in June 2006 (~ US\$68k pa)
 - Tasigna (nilotinib) by Novartis approved in October 2007 (~ US\$79k pa)
 - Second generation and TKIs in development are ineffective against T315I mutator
- No therapeutic options for 3rd line interventions

Estimates Put Global CML Market Growth Above 18%

Estimated Market Size



Estimated Market Structure

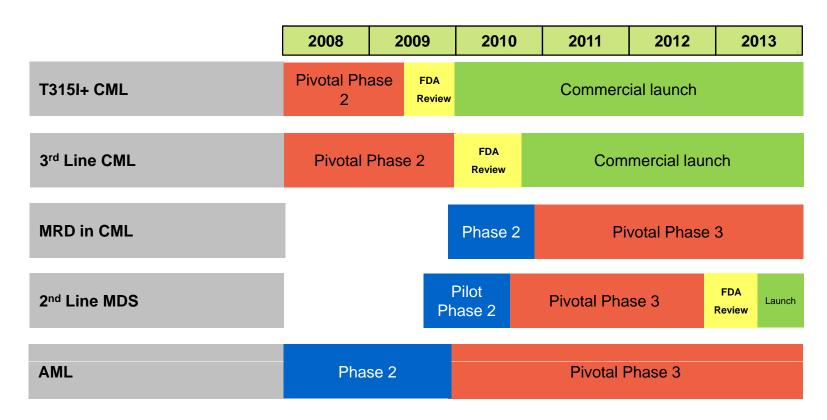




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Omacetaxine Clinical and Regulatory Timeline





T315I+ CML Regulatory Strategy - USA

- Clinical pre-NDA meeting with FDA completed in March
 - Structural format of NDA was accepted by the Oncology Division
- Rolling NDA submission to FDA per Fast Track designation
 - Non-clinical section Submitted June 2008
 - CMC section Q2 2009
 - Clinical Section Mid-2009
 - Approval and launch anticipated Q1 2010



T315I+ CML Regulatory Strategy - Europe



- EMEA centralized filing
 - Letter of intent filed in March 2009
 - Pre-MAA meeting scheduled for Q2 2009
 - MAA submission Q4 2009
 - Approval and launch anticipated end of Q3 2010







Clinical Enrollments and Results Communication

- Recently completed enrollments for chronic phase
 T315I+ CML patients
- Study 203 enrolments tracking well
- Data from 203 and 203 studies to be presented at the ASCO Annual Meeting in Orlando – May 29 – June 2
- Additional presentations on 202, 203 and human stem cell activity at EHA Annual Meeting in Berlin – June 4-7



Study 202 – Hematologic and Cytogenetic Responses

Response	Chronic Phase	Accelerated Phase	Blast Phase
Number (%)	N=25	N=11	N=8
Hematologic Response			
Overall	20 (80)	5 (45)	1 (13)
Complete Hematologic Response (CHR)	20 (80)	2 (18)	-
Hematologic Improvement (HI)	NA	1 (9)	-
Return to Chronic Phase (RCP)	NA	2 (18)	1 (13)
Cytogenetic Response			
Overall	7 (28)	1 (9)	-
Major*	5 (20)	-	-
Complete	4 (16)	-	-
Partial	1 (4)	-	-
Minimal	2 (8)	1 (9)	-
Molecular Response			
Major	2 (8)	-	-

^{*}One complete and one partial cytogenetic response are unconfirmed

Study 202 – Duration of Responses

Median Duration of Response	Chronic Phase	Accelerated Phase	Blast Phase
Months (range)	N = 20	N = 5	N = 1
Hematologic Response			
CHR	11.5 (3.5 - 25.4+)	9.6 (8.3 – 10.9+)	-
HI	NA	2.8	-
RCP	NA	2.0 (2.0 - 2.0+)	3.4
Cytogenetic Response			
Complete	4.8 (0.3 – 9.7+)	-	-
Partial	4.2	-	-
Minimal	4.0 (3.9 - 20.8+)	2.3	-



Overall Safety Profile

- The primary toxicity is myelosuppression
 - Easily managed and controlled by reducing the number of dosing days per cycle
- Typical cytotoxic side effects are uncommon
 - Alopecia, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, mucositis, edema and hepatic toxicity are absent/infrequent (<10%) and mild
- No treatment-related deaths



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Commercialization Strategy



- Strategic goal
 - Retain product rights in the USA
 - Out-license other territories to fund product development



- Ideal European partner profile
 - European focused, commercial infrastructure
 - Hem/oncology product and sales force presence
 - 5 major markets plus distributor relationships



- Pursue similar partners in Rest of World
- Phased US commercial launch from Q1 2010

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Event	Timing
CMC section of rolling NDA submission	Q2 2009
Clinical data presentations at key international conferences	Q2 2009
Complete filing of rolling NDA submission to FDA	Mid 2009
Establish corporate partnership(s) for EU/ex US	H2 2009
Complete filing of MAA to EMEA	Q4 2009
Anticipated approval and launch of omacetaxine in USA	Q1 2010



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