

Cadila Healthcare

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CUTX-101 – Approval prospects high and can be a decent opportunity

Cadila Healthcare recently announced the acquisition of experimental drug – CUTX-101 (copper histidinate) from Cyprium for treating the Menkes disease. Menkes disease is a genetic paediatric disorder caused by gene mutations of copper transporter ATP7A. CUTX-101 is currently in Phase 3 development and as per the agreement terms, Cadila will make an upfront cash payment of US\$20mn to Cyprium. Cadila will also and also provide additional cash payments upon achievement of certain regulatory milestones, besides paying royalties and commercial milestone payments based on the net sales of CUTX-101. Depending on the sales level, royalties will range between mid-single-digit to mid-twenties as a percentage of sales. The NDA submission will happen anytime this year and approval will be expedited considering that the drug is granted breakthrough designation.

Cyprium will retain development responsibility for CUTX-101 through approval of the New Drug Application (NDA) by the United States Food & Drug Administration (USFDA). Sentyln will be responsible for the commercialization of CUTX-101 as well as progressing new-born screening activities. Continued development of CUTX-101 will be overseen by a Joint Steering Committee consisting of representatives from Cyprium and Sentyln.

About the Menkes disease: The Menkes disease is a rare X-linked recessive paediatric disease caused by gene mutations of copper transporter ATP7A. Biochemically, patients with the Menkes disease have low levels of copper in their blood and brain as well as abnormal levels of certain neurochemicals. Definitive diagnosis is made by sequencing the ATP7A gene. The condition is characterized by distinctive clinical features, including sparse and de-pigmented hair (“kinky hair”), connective tissue problems and severe neurological symptoms such as seizures, hypotonia, failure to thrive, and neuro developmental delays. Mortality is high in untreated Menkes disease, with many patients dying before the age of three years. The minimum birth prevalence for the Menkes disease is believed to be 1 in 34,810 males and potentially as high as 1 in 8,664 live male births, based on the recent genome-based ascertainment, which translates into an annual incidence of 54 to 225 patients. Currently, there is no FDA-approved treatment for the Menkes disease and its variants and copper histidinate is used off label.

Clinical evidence on CUTX-101 in the Menkes disease: CUTX-101 has been granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation. The criteria for Breakthrough Therapy Designation require preliminary clinical evidence that demonstrates the drug may have substantial improvement on at least one clinically significant endpoint over available therapy. A Breakthrough Therapy Designation conveys all of the fast-track program features, more intensive FDA guidance on an efficient drug development program, an organizational commitment involving senior managers and eligibility for rolling review and priority review. Since Menkes is a rare disease, CUTX-101 has also been granted orphan drug designation. A Phase 1/2 clinical trials demonstrated that early treatment of patients with Menkes disease with CUTX-101 led to an improvement in neurodevelopmental outcomes and survival. A Phase 3 trial of CUTX-101 in patients with the Menkes disease is also underway. In August 2020, Cyprium reported positive top line clinical efficacy results for CUTX-101, demonstrating statistically significant improvement in overall survival for Menkes disease subjects who received early treatment (ET) with CUTX-101, compared to an untreated historical control (HC) cohort, with a nearly 80% reduction in the risk of death.

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY 19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Net sales	1,31,656	1,42,531	1,51,404	1,61,887	1,74,441
EBITDA	29,731	27,834	33,029	34,198	36,138
Net profit	18,488	11,766	19,195	20,011	20,945
EPS (Rs)	18	11.5	18.8	19.5	20.4
EPS growth (%)	4.1	(36.4)	63.1	4.2	4.6
EBITDA margin (%)	22.6	19.5	21.8	21.1	20.7
PER (x)	24.1	37.8	23.2	22.3	21.3
P/BV (x)	4.3	4.3	3.7	3.3	2.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	17.2	18.2	14.9	14.2	13.2
RoCE (%)	15.6	10.1	18.8	18.7	19.2
RoE (%)	17.8	11.3	15.8	15.0	14.0

Source: Company, Nirmal Bang Institutional Equities Research

ACCUMULATE

Sector: Pharmaceuticals

CMP: Rs435

Target Price: Rs470

Upside: 8%

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Key Data

Current Shares O/S (mn)	1,023.7
Mkt Cap (Rsbn/US\$bn)	445.6/6.1
52 Wk H / L (Rs)	509/202
Daily Vol. (3M NSE Avg.)	3,718,930

Price Performance (%)

	1 M	6 M	1 Yr
Cadila Healthcare	(6.8)	14.0	74.0
Nifty Index	0.8	28.0	32.6

Source: Bloomberg

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Peak Revenue of CUTX-101 in the US

The annual incidence rate of Menkes disease is somewhere between 54 patients and 225 patients in the US. The revenue potential from CUTX-101 would be determined primarily by pricing. Current trends in orphan drug pricing suggest that lower the incidence rate, higher is the pricing. The median pricing stands at ~US\$150,000 per patient per year. The drugs that fetch the highest price per patient per year are Soliris and Naglazyme, which fetch over US\$500,000 per patient per year. These drugs treat the lowest number of patients per year. Naglazyme, which is marketed by BioMarin Pharmaceuticals, is indicated for Maroteaux-Lamy disease and was used to treat fewer than 200 patients in 2018. While Soliris, marketed by Alexion Pharmaceuticals and indicated for Paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria (PNH), was used to treat just under 3,000 patients. Depending on the pricing peak revenue for CUTX-101 can vary between US\$50mn and US\$150mn in the US.

Approval prospects: The company is expected to begin the rolling submission process anytime now and we should potentially expect an approval by the end of CY21. Since CUTX-101 has been granted breakthrough designation and there are no approved treatment options, we expect the approval to come through. We are currently not including the drug in our forecasts and would do so once we have a better sense on the approval timelines.

Outlook and valuation: Potential price erosion in its limited competition asset gAsacol HD in the US on account of generic competition (Para III filers) in FY22 is the key overhang for Cadila. It is difficult to predict the extent of erosion in gAsacol HD post expiry of the last patent in FY22 (Nov'21). Asacol HD is a complex formulation (scale up and clinical bioequivalence is a challenge). Cadila has a pipeline of injectable and transdermal patches, which could more than compensate for the erosion, but the upside in earnings from the same would be gradual and happen over FY22-FY23. The resultant effect on earnings would be driven by the pace of erosion in Asacol HD and ramp-up of new limited competition/complex generic assets. Incrementally, Cadila is rolling out its biosimilar portfolio in EMs and we expect traction in earnings on account of this FY22 onwards. We retain our estimates on Cadila and assign Accumulate rating with a target price of Rs470.

Financial statements: Cadila Healthcare

Exhibit 2: Income statement

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Net sales	1,31,656	1,42,531	1,51,404	1,61,887	1,74,441
% growth	10.3	8.3	6.2	6.9	7.8
Raw material costs	47,164	49,200	52,072	56,082	61,190
Staff costs	21,241	24,145	25,096	27,104	29,272
R&D expenses	9,422	10,974	8,062	10,120	10,790
Other expenditure	33,520	41,352	41,207	44,504	47,841
Total expenditure	1,01,925	1,14,697	1,18,375	1,27,689	1,38,303
EBITDA	29,731	27,834	33,029	34,198	36,138
% growth	4.4	-6.4	18.7	3.5	5.7
EBITDA margin (%)	22.6	19.5	21.8	21.1	20.7
Other income	2,011	1,139	1,050	1,409	1,410
Interest costs	1,935	3,418	1,670	1,545	1,545
Gross profit	84,492	93,331	99,332	1,05,805	1,13,251
% growth	8.1	10.5	6.4	6.5	7.0
Depreciation	5,986	6,965	7,166	7,714	8,128
Profit before tax & Exceptional Items	23,821	18,590	25,243	26,348	27,875
Exceptional Items	0	-3,636	-1,320	0	0
Profit before tax	23,821	14,954	23,923	26,348	27,875
% growth	2.2	-22.0	35.8	4.4	5.8
Tax	5,303	3,198	5,110	6,186	6,680
Effective tax rate (%)	22	17	20	23	24
PAT before Minority Interest	18,518	11,756	18,813	20,161	21,195
Share of JV	469	288	550	550	550
Share of MI and Associates	-499	-278	-168	-700	-800
PAT after Minority Interest	18,488	11,766	19,195	20,011	20,945
% growth	4.8	-36.5	60.0	7.2	5.1
EPS (Rs)	18.1	11.5	18.8	19.5	20.4

Source: Company, Nirmal Bang Institutional Equities Research

Exhibit 4: Balance sheet

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Equity	1,024	1,024	1,024	1,024	1,024
Reserves	1,02,839	1,02,733	1,17,836	1,33,755	1,50,608
Net worth	1,03,863	1,03,757	1,18,860	1,34,779	1,51,632
Minority Interest	12,929	13,347	13,347	13,347	13,347
Net deferred tax liabilities	3,060	2,390	2,390	2,390	2,390
Total Loans	71,466	70,411	50,234	49,198	40,719
Other Non-Current Liabilities	2,594	2,823	2,823	2,823	2,823
Liabilities	1,93,912	1,92,728	1,87,654	2,02,537	2,10,911
Net Block + CWIP	51,059	54,522	69,522	74,522	79,522
CWIP	8,372	7,415	7,415	7,415	7,415
Intangible Assets and Goodwill	70,578	67,783	67,783	67,783	67,783
Other Non-Current Assets	13,166	11,610	11,610	11,610	11,610
Non-Current Investments	6,675	8,382	8,382	8,382	8,382
Inventories	26,880	27,890	28,640	30,845	33,654
Debtors	39,508	36,632	35,832	39,910	43,009
Cash	5,489	9,649	3,225	7,563	9,703
Other current assets	13,104	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983
Total current assets	84,981	87,154	80,681	91,300	99,349
Creditors	19,226	20,310	23,953	24,115	26,312
Other current liabilities	21,693	23,828	33,785	34,360	36,839
Total current liabilities	40,919	44,138	57,739	58,475	63,151
Net current assets	44,062	43,016	22,942	32,825	36,199
Total assets	1,93,912	1,92,728	1,87,654	2,02,537	2,10,911

Source: Company, Nirmal Bang Institutional Equities Research

Exhibit 3: Cash flow

Y/E March (Rsmn)	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
EBIT	23,821	14,954	24,473	26,898	28,425
(Inc.)/Dec. in working capital	-9,717	1,294	13,650	-5,546	-1,233
Cash flow from operations	14,104	16,248	38,123	21,352	27,192
Other income	-1,664	-591	-1,050	-1,409	-1,410
Other Expenses	1,069	5,453	900	2,095	2,095
Depreciation	5,986	6,965	7,166	7,714	8,128
Tax paid (-)	-6,754	-3,025	-5,110	-6,186	-6,680
Net cash from operations	12,819	25,054	40,029	23,565	29,325
Capital expenditure (-)	-10,464	-8,888	-22,166	-12,714	-13,128
Net cash after capex	2,355	16,166	17,863	10,851	16,197
Other Investing activities	-31,923	-1,235	1,050	1,409	1,410
Cash from Financial Activities	18,846	-10,942	-25,337	-7,923	-15,466
Opening cash	15,897	7,788	9,649	3,225	7,563
Closing cash	7,788	11,777	3,225	7,563	9,703
Change in cash	-10,722	3,989	-6,424	4,337	2,141

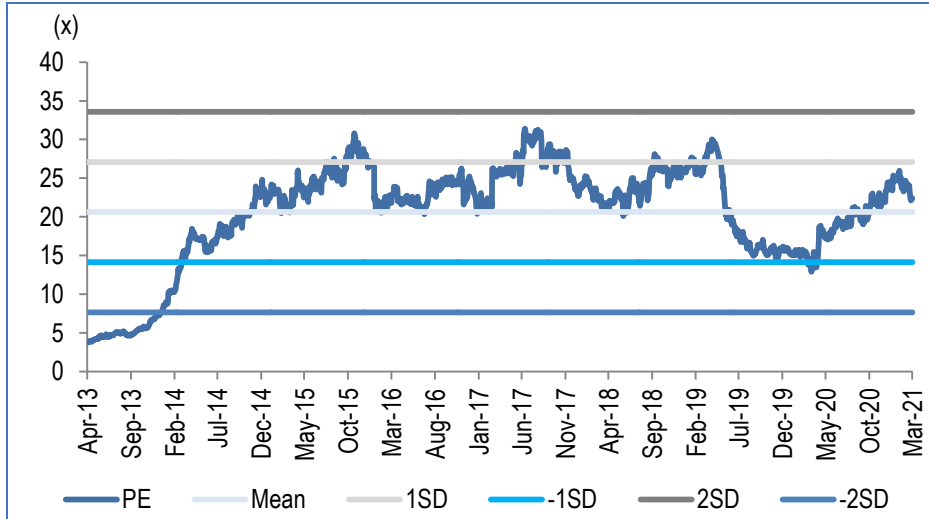
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Exhibit 5: Key ratios

Y/E March	FY19	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Profitability & return ratios					
EBITDA margin (%)	22.6	19.5	21.8	21.1	20.7
EBIT margin (%)	19.6	15.4	17.8	17.2	16.9
Net profit margin (%)	14.1	8.2	12.4	12.5	12.2
RoE (%)	17.8	11.3	15.8	15.0	14.0
RoCE (%)	15.6	10.1	18.8	18.7	19.2
Working capital & liquidity ratios					
Receivables (days)	99	97	87	85	87
Inventory (days)	196	203	198	194	192
Payables (days)	147	147	155	156	150
Current ratio (x)	2.1	2.0	1.4	1.6	1.6
Quick ratio (x)	1.4	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.0
Valuation ratios					
EV/sales (x)	3.9	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	17.2	18.2	14.9	14.2	13.2
P/E (x)	24.1	37.8	23.2	22.3	21.3
P/BV (x)	4.3	4.3	3.7	3.3	2.9

Source: Company, Nirmal Bang Institutional Equities Research

P/E Chart

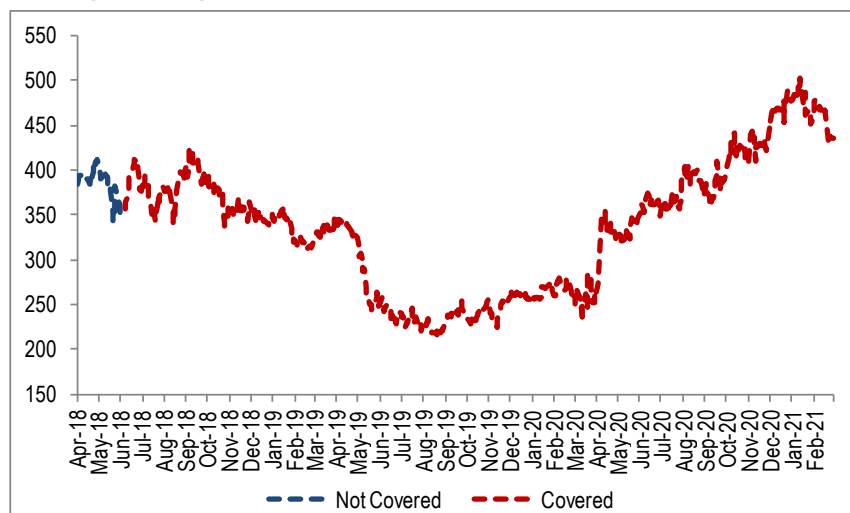


Source: BSE, Bloomberg, Company, Nirmal Bang Institutional Equities Research

Rating track

Date	Rating	Market price (Rs)	Target price (Rs)
7 June 2019	Buy	247	315
13 August 2019	Buy	230	315
23 September 2019	Buy	247	314
14 November 2019	Buy	225	314
3 February 2020	Buy	260	314
6 February 2020	Buy	272	314
27 March 2020	Buy	257	311
23 April 2020	Sell	331	311
19 June 2020	Sell	362	331
5 August 2020	Sell	396	381
23 September 2020	Accumulate	393	442
29 September 2020	Accumulate	391	442
3 November 2020	Accumulate	418	442
07 January 2021	Accumulate	482	475
13 January 2021	Accumulate	490	475
08 February 2021	Accumulate	475	470
02 March 2021	Accumulate	435	470

Rating track graph



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