

OPKO Health, Inc. (OPK - \$ 9.40)

Transition Therapeutics Acquisition Brings Three Mid-Clinical Stage Assets With Good Safety Profiles

OPK announced this morning the acquisition of Transition Therapeutics (TTHI) for ~\$60MM. TTHI ended March 2016 with cash of ~CAD25MM (~\$19MM) and we estimate the pro forma enterprise value of the transaction is ~\$41MM.

- Details.** TTHI has three clinical assets under clinical development: 1) **TT401** is a once or twice weekly oxyntomodulin for type 2 diabetes and obesity. It is clinically the most advanced GLP1-glucagon receptor dual agonist. An earlier Phase II study (n=420) demonstrated that the highest dose of TT401 is significantly superior in weight loss and is similar in HbA1c reduction comparing to extended release exenatide (Byetta). TTHI reacquired the rights of TT401 in April 2016 from Eli Lilly as the latter has decided not to advance clinical development into Phase III trials. OPK also has an oxyntomodulin program (MOD-6031) and it is currently under Phase I trial with top-line results potentially available in 4Q16; 2) **TT701** is a once daily oral selective androgen receptor modulator (SARM) with potential as androgen deficiency therapy. It is currently under a physician sponsored Phase II study (n up to 125) with first patient dosed in April 2016; and 3) **ELND005** is an oral small molecule that could regulate brain myo-inositol levels and β -amyloid anti-aggregation. The drug has potential for treating neuropsychiatric indications, such as agitation and aggression in Alzheimer's disease (AD) and Down syndrome. TTHI reported in 2Q15 that a Phase II/III trial (n=350) evaluating ELND005 in AD failed to meet the primary endpoint of agitation/aggression reduction vs. placebo.
- Implications.** We view this transaction as relatively inexpensive for bringing three mid clinical stage assets to OPK with TT401 and TT701 more likely to be the future development focus. Both assets are de-risked on the safety side as they have gone through multiple clinical studies without demonstrating major AEs. Our discussion with OPK suggested future development emphasis of TT401 in obesity and the company will develop both TT401 and MOD-6031 concurrently in the future. The development focus for TT701 would be in androgen deficiency (not necessarily the same physician sponsored Phase II study indication) with more details to come in the future.
- Action.** We are reiterating our Buy rating and \$22 price to reflect our bullish view on progress in OPK's multiple drivers in place, especially the 4Kscore test, Rayaldee, VARUBI (rolapitant) and hGH-CTP (MOD-4023). Our valuation is based on our DCF analyses.

Earnings Estimates: (per share)

(Dec)	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	FY	P/E
FY-16E	-0.02A	-0.04	-0.01	-0.01	-0.08	NM
FY-15A	-0.26	-0.09	0.26	0.00	-0.06	NM
FY-14A	-0.11	-0.06	-0.11	-0.12	-0.41	NM
FY-13A	-0.11	-0.01	-0.17	-0.04	-0.32	NM

Source: Laidlaw & Company estimates

Healthcare/Biotechnology

Ticker:	OPK
Rating:	Buy
Price Target:	\$ 22.00

Trading Data:

Last Price (06/30/2016)	\$ 9.40
52-Week High (7/24/2015)	\$ 17.51
52-Week Low (1/20/2016)	\$ 7.12
Market Cap. (MM)	\$ 5,151,050
Shares Out. (MM)	547

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Anticipated milestones in 2016 and beyond

Product	Indication	Event	Timing	Importance
Rayaldee	SHPT in CKD Stage 3-4 patients	Build M&S organization	2016	***
		Product launch	4Q16	***
		Potential include in for formulary of healthcare plans	2017	****
		Potential EMEA filing	1H17	***
		Potential EU approval	1H18	****
	SHPT in ESRD patients	Start Phase III study	2017	***
Rolapitant (VARUBI)	Chemotherapy -induced nausea and vomiting (CINV)	Potential approval of the IV version (PDUFA date)	Jan. 11, 2017	****
hGH-CTP (MOD-4023)	hGH deficiency	Report of Phase III study top-line results	4Q16	****
		Potential product approval for adult hGH deficiency	2H17	***
		Potential commencement of pediatric Phase III study	2H16	***
		Report of Phase III pediatric study top-line results	2018	****
4Kscore test	Prostate cancer diagnostics	CMS reimbursement decisions	2016	****
		Potential private payer reimbursement decision	2016 - 2017	****
Claros 1 testosterone test	POC testosterone test	Potential 510(k) filing	2H16	***
		Potential approval	2017	****
Claros 1 PSA test	POC PSA test	Modular PMA filing	2H16	***
		Potential approval	2017	****
Claros 1 vitamin D test	POC vitamin D test	Potential 510(k) filing	1Q17	****
		Potential approval	2017	****
MOD-5014 (IV)	Hemophilia A/B with inhibitors	Potentially report Phase I/IIa study top-line results	4Q16	****
		Potentially start Phase II/III study	1H17	***
		Potentially report Phase II/III study results	2Q18	****
MOD-5014 (s.c)		Potentially start Phase I study	Mid-16	***
		Potentially report Phase I study results	1Q17	****
		Potentially start Phase II study	2H17	***
		Potentially report Phase II study results	Mid-18	***
MOD-6031	Obesity	Potentially report Phase I study top-line results	4Q16	***

**** / ***** Major catalyst event that could impact share price very significantly while *** event is more informative

Source: Laidlaw & Company estimates and company presentation.

Major risks

Risks of clinical study failure. One of the key risks for healthcare product developer is failure of clinical studies that could potentially result in sunk costs in both capital and time lost. OPK currently has several mid- to late stage clinical trials underway. Failures of these studies, especially the Phase III pivotal trials, could have significant negative impact on share value. More specifically, clinical study success of MOD-4023 (hGH-CTP) is very important given it accounts for substantial valuation of OPK share value.

Regulatory success is important. Given the company currently has several products (in-house development and partnered) under regulatory agency review, whether to receive positive response and approval could have significant impact on share value. Although clinical study results for the several drugs currently under FDA review are rather robust; it remains possible that the agency may not grant approval or request additional clinical information or studies before considering approval. A scenario of this nature could have significant and immediate negative impact on OPK shareholder value.

Merger and acquisition risks. Although acquisition is a faster way to accomplish financial and strategic goals, it bears a number of risks especially post-merger. For example, due to the differences of corporate culture and mentality of operation, there are no assurance a successful integration can be accomplished immediately.

Successful reimbursement is critical for commercial success. Given the high price of medical products, it is important for most patients who will use them only if the diagnostic test or pharmaceutical products are reimbursed by third party payers, such as Medicare or private insurers. There is no certainty that the company's current or future products can be reimbursed by private or public parties. If so, we believe the revenue growth for such drug or diagnostic test could be limited.

Products may not be approved or reach anticipated sales. Although OPK's current pipeline products have exhibited the potential to generate positive clinical outcomes from current and future trials; it remains too early to project whether any of these products would be approved by regulatory agencies. Even if the products were to enter the market, sales could be significantly below projections due to the specific product label under approval, physician consensus for prescribing the drug, changes of treatment paradigms, entrance of competitors, and possibly the changes in pricing flexibility and payer reimbursement. A revenue outlook below expectations could also negatively affect OPK shareholder value.

Ex-U.S. market risks. Given several OPK operations are out-side of the U.S. and some are in emerging markets, certain risks, such as macroeconomic volatility, geopolitical risk and currency fluctuations could all impact on the revenue generated from and operation in these territories.

Concentrated insider ownership. Given senior management and other insiders own near 50% of OPK shares, the insider ownership is very concentrated. As such, insiders could have significant control and therefore, with the potential risk of creating price volatility. Highly concentrated insider ownership could also have impact on delaying or preventing a change in control of the company.

Figure 1: Income Statement

OPKO Health – Income Statement												
(\$'MM)	2013	2014	2015	1Q16	2Q16E	3Q16E	4Q16E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E
Revenue												
Products (Pharmaceuticals)	68.2	77.0	80.1	19.9	23.7	25.5	34.2	103.4	212.9	328.1	563.3	728.4
Revenue from services (Diagnostics)	11.7	8.7	329.7	252.5	279.3	305.1	333.7	1,171.7	1,354.7	1,566.1	1,817.5	2,080.7
Revenue from transfer of intellectual property	16.7	5.5	81.9	18.6	16.0	17.0	17.9	69.5	70.2	70.9	71.6	72.3
Total revenue	96.5	91.1	491.7	291.0	319.0	347.6	385.8	1,344.5	1,637.8	1,965.1	2,452.4	2,881.4
Costs of revenues	48.9	48.0	260.0	147.5	164.8	180.0	198.4	690.7	834.0	984.0	1,168.3	1,351.5
Gross Incomes	47.7	43.1	231.7	143.5	154.2	167.6	187.4	653.8	803.8	981.1	1,284.2	1,530.0
Selling, general and administrative	55.3	57.9	196.6	128.0	132.2	134.8	137.5	532.5	534.2	609.4	694.4	791.0
Research and development	53.9	83.6	99.5	27.8	29.8	31.3	32.5	121.4	129.9	136.3	141.8	147.5
In process research and development	0.0	12.1	0.0	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contingent consideration	6.9	24.4	5.1	1.8	4.0	(2.0)	3.3	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Amortization of intangible assets	11.1	10.9	28.0	13.4	13.0	13.0	13.0	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4
Grant repayment	0.0	0.0	25.9	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Operating Expenses	127.3	188.9	355.0	171.0	179.0	177.1	186.3	713.4	723.6	805.2	895.7	998.0
Total costs and expenses	176.2	236.9	615.0	318.6	343.7	357.1	384.7	1,404.1	1,557.5	1,789.2	2,064.0	2,349.4
Operating Incomes (losses)	(79.6)	(145.8)	(98.5)	(27.5)	(24.7)	(9.5)	1.0	(59.6)	80.2	175.9	388.4	532.0
Interest income	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9
Interest expense	(13.8)	(12.3)	(8.4)	(1.8)	(2.7)	(2.7)	(2.7)	(9.9)	(9.9)	(9.9)	(9.9)	(9.9)
Fair value changes of derivative instruments, net	(45.9)	(10.6)	(39.1)	(1.4)	(1.0)	2.0	(4.0)	(4.4)	(6.0)	(6.0)	(6.0)	(6.0)
Other income (expense), net	34.8	(3.1)	7.7	0.5	8.0	6.0	(1.0)	13.5	29.0	29.0	29.0	29.0
Total Other Income, net	(24.6)	(25.2)	(39.5)	(2.6)	4.5	5.5	(7.5)	(0.1)	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.0
Income before tax	(104.2)	(171.0)	(138.0)	(30.2)	(20.2)	(4.0)	(6.5)	(59.7)	94.1	189.8	402.4	546.0
Tax	(1.7)	(0.0)	113.7	20.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.5	(34.8)	(70.2)	(148.9)	(202.0)
Loss before investment losses	(105.9)	(171.1)	(24.3)	(9.6)	(20.2)	(4.0)	(6.5)	(39.2)	59.3	119.6	253.5	344.0
Loss from investments in investees	(11.5)	(3.6)	(7.1)	(2.4)	(0.7)	(0.6)	(0.8)	(4.5)	(3.0)	(3.0)	(3.0)	(3.0)
Net income (loss)	(117.3)	(174.6)	(31.4)	(12.0)	(20.9)	(4.6)	(7.3)	(43.7)	56.3	116.6	250.5	341.0
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	(2.9)	(3.0)	(1.4)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(1.4)	(3.0)	(3.0)	(3.0)	(3.0)
Net Income (Loss) Applicable to Common Shareholders	(114.8)	(171.7)	(30.0)	(12.0)	(20.2)	(3.8)	(6.5)	(42.3)	59.3	119.6	253.5	344.0
Net Earnings (Losses) Per Share—Basic and Diluted	(\$0.32)	(\$0.41)	(\$0.06)	(\$0.02)	(\$0.04)	(\$0.01)	(\$0.01)	(\$0.08)	\$0.12	\$0.21	\$0.50	\$0.61
Shares outstanding—basic	355.1	422.0	488.1	545.8	549.8	553.8	557.8	551.8	496.1	559.8	504.1	567.8
Shares outstanding—diluted	355.1	422.0	488.1	545.8	549.8	553.8	557.8	551.8	496.1	559.8	504.1	567.8
Margin Analysis (% of Sales/Revenue)												
Costs of goods	61%	56%	63%	54%	54%	54%	54%	54%	53%	52%	49%	48%
Gross margin	39%	44%	37%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	47%	48%	51%	52%
R&D	56%	92%	20%	10%	9%	9%	8%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%
MG&A	57%	64%	40%	44%	41%	39%	36%	40%	33%	31%	28%	27%
Operating Income (loss)	-82%	-160%	-20%	-9%	-8%	-3%	0%	-4%	5%	9%	16%	18%
Net Income	-119%	-188%	-6%	-4%	-6%	-1%	-2%	-3%	4%	6%	10%	12%
Financial Indicator Growth Analysis (YoY%)												
Products (Pharmaceuticals)	50%	13%	4%	28%	4%	23%	63%	29%	106%	54%	72%	29%
Revenue from services (Diagnostics)	567%	-26%	3705%	12104%	14539%	194%	50%	255%	16%	16%	16%	14%
Revenue from transfer of intellectual property	N.A.	-67%	1395%	49%	-9%	-7%	-46%	-15%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Total Revenue	105%	-6%	440%	867%	652%	143%	40%	173%	22%	20%	25%	17%
R&D	176%	55%	19%	9%	1%	65%	28%	22%	7%	5%	4%	4%
SG&A	99%	5%	239%	634%	531%	144%	34%	171%	9%	9%	9%	8%
Operating income (loss)	114%	83%	-32%	-52%	-3%	16%	-113%	-39%	-235%	119%	121%	37%
Total Other Income, net	-15001%	3%	57%	-95%	-127%	-88%	-53%	-100%	-11522%	1%	1%	0%
Net Income	267%	49%	-82%	-90%	-53%	-103%	-505%	41%	-240%	102%	112%	36%
EPS	206%	26%	-85%	-92%	-61%	-103%	-498%	25%	-256%	79%	135%	20%
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Source: Bloomberg LP; Company reports; Laidlaw & Company estimates.

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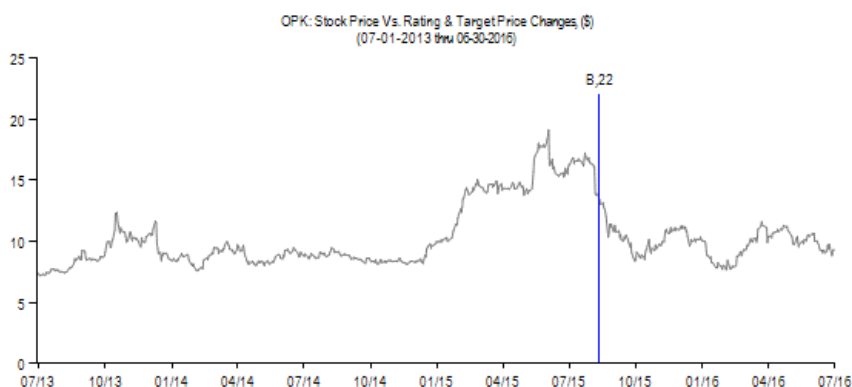
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