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Corporate overview

Innovative products for medically supervised settings

May 2024

Forward-looking statements and non-GAAP financial measures

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To supplement AcelRx's financial results and guidance presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the company uses certain non-GAAP financial measures in this presentation, in particular, excluding stock-based compensation expense from its operating expenses. The company believes that this non-GAAP financial measure provides useful supplementary information to, and facilitates additional analysis by, investors and analysts.



Portfolio overview

Approval

Product	Administration	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	NDA submitted	Next anticipated milestone
Nafamostat product candidates						
Niyad™	Anticoagulation of the extracorporeal circuit–CRRT/IHD regulated as device					Top-line data read-out expected in Q3 2024 with PMA submission expected in Q4 2024
LTX-608	Various indications regulated as drugs *					
Pre-filled syringe product candidates						
Fedsyra™	Ephedrine hydrochloride 10 ml ready to use pre-filled syringe					NDA ready; submission timing being evaluated
PFS-02	Phenylephrine hydrochloride 10 ml ready to use pre-filled syringe					NDA submission timing being evaluated



Divested to Alora Pharmaceuticals, and due **15**% royalties on commercial sales; **75**% royalties on sales to the Department of Defense, and up to **\$116.5M** in milestone payments; Transaction closed in April 2023; Partial monetization of royalty/milestone stream in January 2024 with XOMA Royalty



^{*} Post-toxicology study, expect to be in phase 2 development

Talphera investment highlights

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Late-stage pipeline assets with near-term commercial potential in medically supervised settings

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Lead asset Niyad has FDA Breakthrough Designation with potential peak sales of \$200M



Single registrational study for Niyad planned to begin enrolling in Q2 2024; 166 total patient study; we believe high probability of success



Fedsyra™, ephedrine pre-filled syringe, NDA-ready, submission timing being evaluated



Recent financings completed in Q1 2024 and stated support from lead investor expected to fund the Company through at least the approval of Niyad





Nafamostat portfolio

Niyad™ and LTX-608



What is nafamostat?

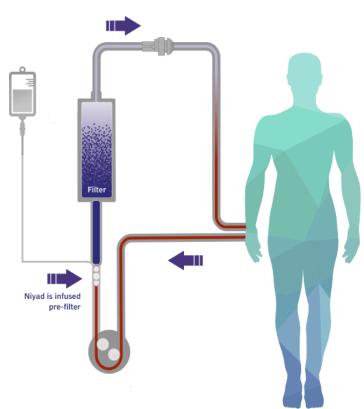
- An investigational broad-spectrum serine protease inhibitor with anticoagulant, anti-inflammatory, mucus clearing and potential anti-viral activities
- Half-life of 8 minutes
- Multiple potential indications given its proposed mechanism of action
- Approved and used in Japan and South Korea for over 30 years
 - Anticoagulation of the extracorporeal circuit
 - Disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC)
 - Acute pancreatitis
- Various studies performed outside the U.S. for COVID, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS), Dengue fever and numerous other diseases



Niyad™ is our lead nafamostat product candidate

Talphera is evaluating nafamostat as an anticoagulant for the extracorporeal circuit (blood path outside patient)

- ✓ Niyad has numerous potential benefits compared to the standard of care
- ✓ There are no FDA-approved regional anti-coagulants for the extracorporeal circuit
- ✓ Niyad is being regulated as a device (works in the circuit)
 - Granted FDA Breakthrough Device Designation status for use as a regional anticoagulant in patients receiving CRRT that cannot tolerate heparin or are at a higher risk of bleeding, providing regulatory and developmental benefits
- ✓ Approval for a single registrational study planned to start in April 2024 with endpoints agreed with the FDA
- ✓ ICD-10 CMS procedural code already received to support reimbursement
- √ Niyad peak sales estimated at more than \$200 million



Exposure of blood to the dialysis filter causes clotting

Clotting of the dialysis filter during CRRT is a major limitation to care, as it leads to inefficient dialysis, causes blood loss, and depletes limited resources¹. Circuit clotting is the most frequent cause of therapy interruption circuit dialysis²



More frequent filter changes required to ensure efficacy



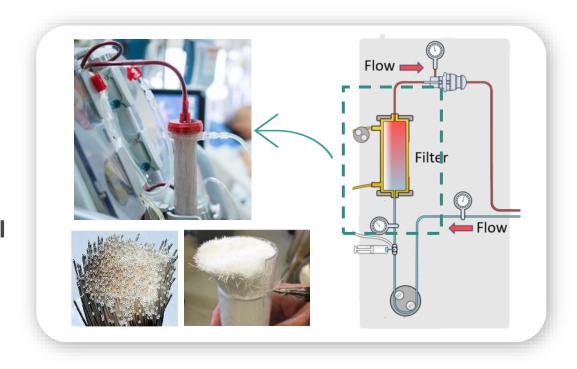
Increased blood loss; increased platelet transfusions



Delayed/ prolonged treatment time



Burden on healthcare professional



- 1. Uchino S, Fealy N, Baldwin I, Morimatsu H, Bellomo R. Continuous is not continuous: the incidence and impact of circuit "down-time" on uraemic control during continuous veno-venous haemofiltration. Intensive Care Med. 2003;29:575–578. Zhang Z, Ni H, Lu B. Variables associated with circuit life span in critically ill patients undergoing continuous renal replacement therapy: a prospective observational study. ASAIO J. 2012;58:46–50
- 2. Clinical review: Patency of the circuit in continuous renal replacement therapy. Joannidis M, Oudemans-van Straaten HMCrit Care. 2007; 11(4):218.

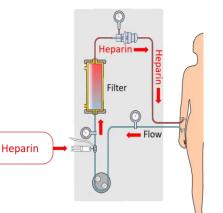




Current standards for anticoagulation have many disadvantages

Heparin

- Systemic anticoagulant
- Prolonged half-life up to 3 hours makes it difficult to titrate
- Clinicians fear over anticoagulating the patient
- Significant safety concern for patients at risk of bleeding
- Thrombocytopenia



Citrate

- Citrate chelates calcium, which inhibits the generation of thrombin
- Using citrate requires infusing calcium on the return side of filter (back to patient)
- Extensive, complicated protocol
- Frequent blood draws to measure calcium are time-consuming and expensive
- Rapid changes in calcium levels which can cause hypotension, ventricular fibrillation, and possibly cardiac arrest.
- Even more complicated in patients with liver failure

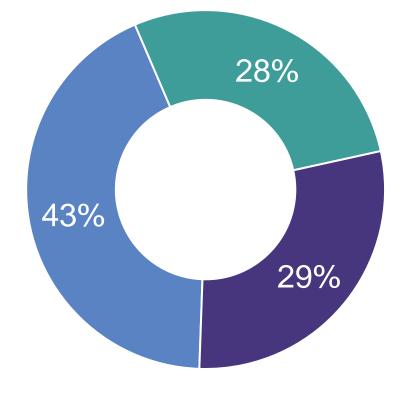


¹⁾ Ohtake Y. Nafamostat as Anticoagulant in Continuous HD. Contrib Nephrol. 1991;93;215-217

The current market landscape for anticoagulants used during continuous renal replacement therapy (CRRT)

Anticoagulants used in CRRT

Heparin – 43% (systemic anticoagulant – anticoagulation of the patient and the circuit)



Citrate - 28%

(regional anticoagulant – anticoagulant for circuit only; used in U.S. under an Emergency Use Authorization)

No anticoagulant

29% is unfortunately the default when physicians are concerned with safety of heparin or citrate

Source: Boldt, et al. Anticoagulation practices for continuous renal replacement therapy: a survey of physicians from the United States, Renal Failure, 2023; https://doi.org/10.1080/0886022X.2023.2290932

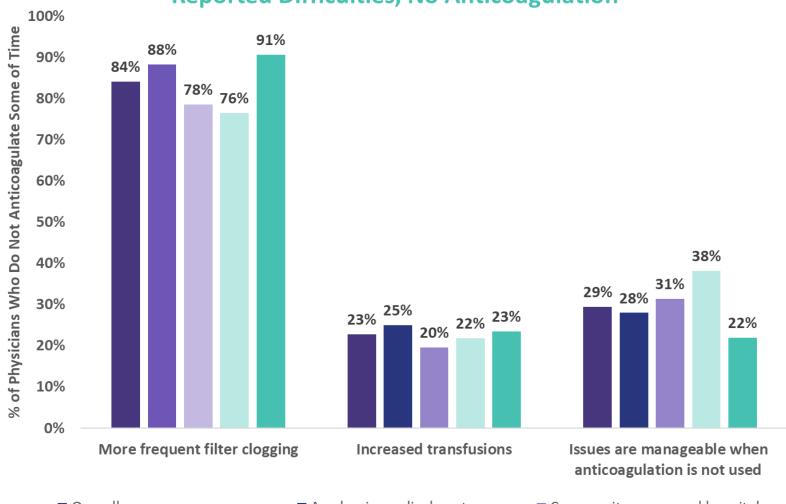
Hepar

Citrate

No anticoagulant

When not using an anticoagulant for CRRT, frequent filter clogging was the most common issue, with 20-25% stating increased transfusions were needed





Source: Boldt, et al. Anticoagulation practices for continuous renal replacement therapy: a survey of physicians from the United States, Renal Failure, 2023;https://doi.org/10.1080/0886022X.2023.2290932

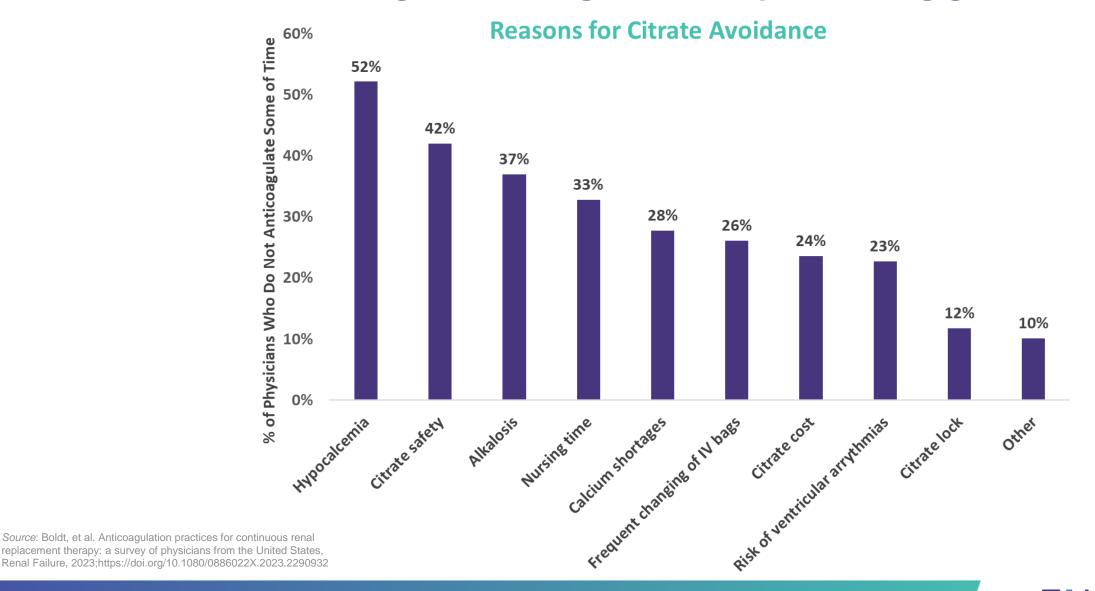
OverallNephrologist

Academic medical centerCritical Care Medicine (CCM)

■ Community or general hospital



Market research indicated a number of reasons why physicians decide not to use citrate as an anticoagulant during CRRT despite it being given an EUA



Potential benefits of using Niyad in the dialysis circuit

- Standardized international guidelines recommend using an anticoagulant during renal replacement therapy (RRT)
- Niyad is designed to provide a short half-life, titratable, regional anticoagulation without the shortcomings of heparin or citrate
- Potential advantages of Niyad:
 - Niyad designed to be used in patients at risk of bleeding, whereas heparin is limited
 - Niyad designed to be used easily in patients with liver failure – whereas citrate is limited
- Compared to no anticoagulation: potential for fewer filter changes, fewer transfusions, more importantly – lower cost of doctor and nursing time

	Heparin	Nafamostat
Incidence of Bleeding ¹	66.7 %	4.3 %



¹⁾ Ohtake Y. Nafamostat as Anticoagulant in Continuous HD. Contrib Nephrol. 1991;93;215-217.

Decades of use outside the U.S. and numerous studies support the benefits of nafamostat as an anticoagulant for the extracorporeal circuit

An independent, meta-analysis published in 2022 on the use of nafamostat as an anticoagulant in the extracorporeal circuit demonstrates the efficacy and safety compared to conventional therapy

11 Studies

2,723 Patients

Mortality

25% lower with nafamostat vs. conventional therapy (31% lower vs. no-anticoagulant)

Bleeding Risk

45% higher risk of bleeding complications on conventional therapy vs. nafamostat

Filter life

10.5 hours longer filter life compared to no-anticoagulant

Source: Yao Lin, et al; RENAL FAILURE, 2022, VOL. 44, NO. 1, 1263-1279, https://doi.org/10.1080/0886022X.2022.2105233

FDA feedback on emergency use authorization (EUA) for Niyad



Although an EUA for Niyad was not considered an FDA priority due to lack of FDA resources, correspondence with FDA provided us with encouraging feedback

FDA opined on 8/24/21:

"We believe that your device has the potential to address an unmet need in patients who cannot tolerate heparin or....who are treated in facilities that are ill-equipped for use of a citrate anticoagulant."

"Additionally, we recognize that there may be an unmet need for patients...who also cannot tolerate citrate due to another condition such as liver disease."

"We believe that you have provided significant evidence demonstrating that the potential benefits of the Niyad device could be greater than the reasonably foreseen risks."

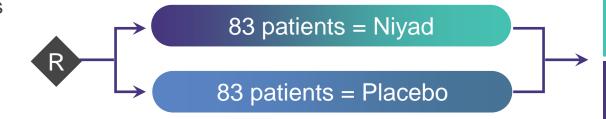
Single registrational study on Niyad

Prospective, randomized, placebo-controlled study at up to 10 clinical sites

Randomization

166 adult patients undergoing RRT who cannot tolerate heparin or are at risk for bleeding

Dosing period (7 days)



Safety

Bleeding, electrolyte disorders, 28-day all-cause mortality

Primary Endpoints:

 Mean post-filter activated clotting time (ACT) over first 24 hours versus placebo

Key Secondary Endpoints:

- Mean post-filter ACT over 72 hours
- Filter lifespan
- Number of filter changes over 72 hours
- Number of transfusions over 72 hours
- Dialysis efficacy (based on urea concentration) over first 24 hours



Niyad™ market opportunity in CRRT

If approved, Niyad would be the only FDA approved regional anticoagulant for the

extracorporeal circuit

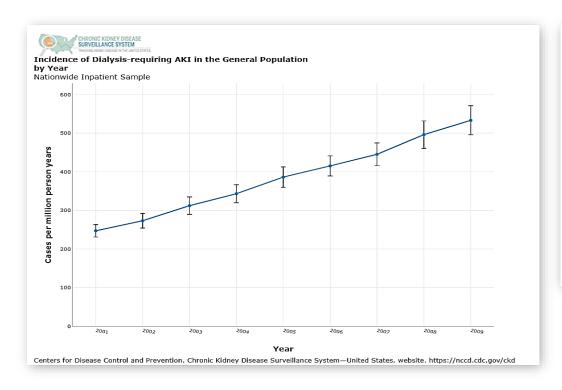
Some patients receive intermittent hemodialysis (IHD) and others continuous (CRRT) 5-7 days average CRRT; then possible transition to IHD Estimated 19.5% share taken from (a) no anticoagulant used because of safety with current products; (b) some from heparin and

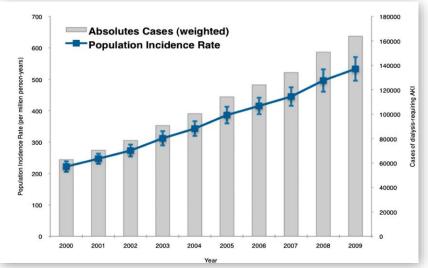
(c) some from citrate.

AKI patients Niyad patient share in ICU 32K

Total patient numbers excludes other in-hospital anticoagulation of extracorporeal circuits (ECMO, CRRT outside of ICU)

Acute kidney injury rates are rapidly increasing

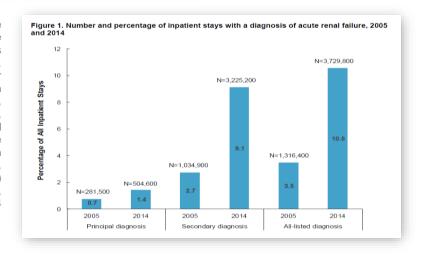




Hsu RK, McCulloch CE, Dudley RA, Lo LJ, Hsu CY. Temporal changes in incidence of dialysis-requiring AKI. J Am Soc Nephrol. 2013;24(1):37-42.

Acute kidney injury (AKI) is defined by a rapid increase in serum creatinine, decrease in urine output, or both. AKI occurs in approximately 10-15% of patients admitted to hospital, while its incidence in intensive care has been reported in more than 50% of patients.¹

Note: Diagnoses were identified using the Clinical Classifications Software (CCS). Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Center for Delivery, Organization, and Markets, Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP), National (Nationwide) Inpatient Sample (NIS), 2005â€"2014



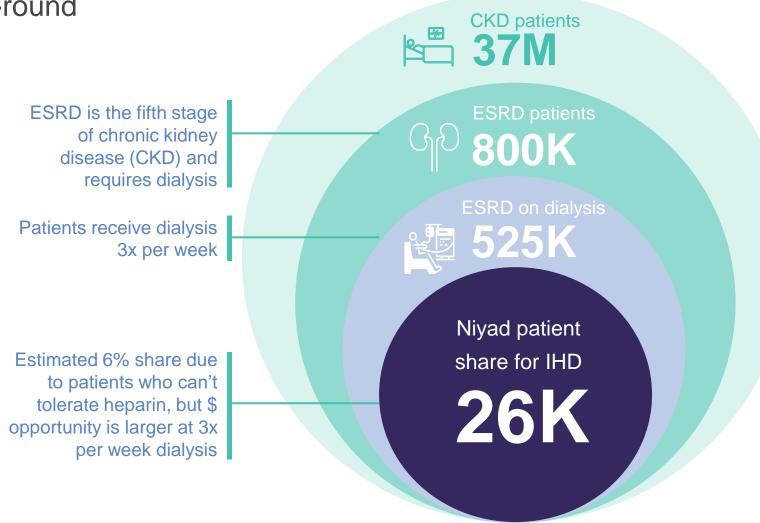
1. Acute kidney injury. Lancet. 2019; 394(10212):1949-1964 (ISSN: 1474-547X), Ronco C; Bellomo R; Kellum JA



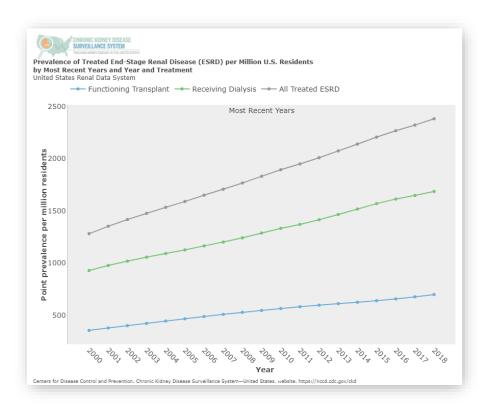
Niyad™ market opportunity in IHD

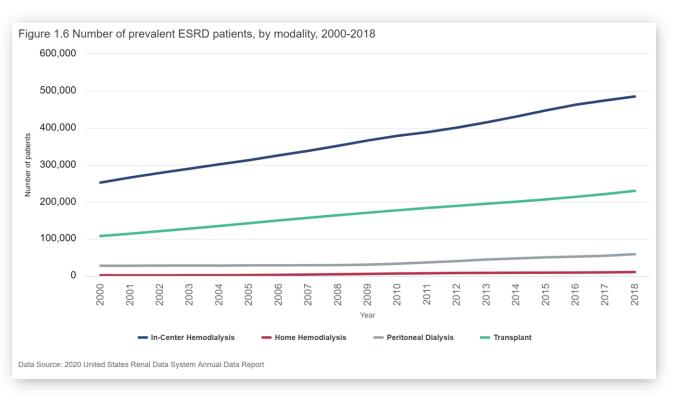
Intermittent hemodialysis is shorter in duration than CRRT, however, frequency of the

procedure is 3x per week, year-round



End stage renal disease (ESRD) and outpatient dialysis continues to increase





End stage renal disease (ESRD) is the fifth stage of chronic kidney disease (CKD) and requires dialysis or transplant; The prevalence of ESRD has more than tripled since 1990¹





^{1.} Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Chronic Kidney Disease Surveillance System—United States.website. http://www.cdc.gov/ckd

LTX-608: the other nafamostat opportunity with broad potential

Nafamostat is a "pipeline in a product" that has potential beyond Niyad

Disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC)

Approved indication in Japan and South Korea; intellectual property protection will focus on method of use patents based on the complexity of DIC treatment

Acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS)

A life-threatening lung injury that allows fluid to leak into lungs; Nafamostat potential modes of action of anticoagulation, anti-inflammation and sustaining endothelial barrier function/preventing vascular leak could support exploring development

Acute pancreatitis

Approved indication in Japan and South Korea

Anti-viral

Various ex-US studies have demonstrated positive results; publications support development as a potential COVID treatment by inhibiting TMPRSS2; A potent broad-spectrum serine protease inhibitor that blocks host protease activation of the viral spike protein ¹

1. B. F. Niemeyer, C. M.Miller, C. Ledesma-Feliciano, J. H. Morrison, R.Jimenez-Valdes, C.Clifton, E.M. Poeschla, K.H. Benam, Nano Select □□□□,



Nafamostat intellectual property status and data exclusivity

Potential for six years data exclusivity upon Niyad PMA approval before issuance of pending patents

Niyad™ patent pending

Claims drawn to priming of the extracorporeal circuit and blood flow when using nafamostat.

LTX-608 (nafamostat) multiple patents pending

Claims drawn to use of nafamostat in disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC), as an antiviral agent (e.g., COVID treatment), in acute respiratory distress (ARDS) and other conditions.





Pre-filled syringe portfolio

Fedsyra™

Ephedrine 10 ml pre-filled syringe

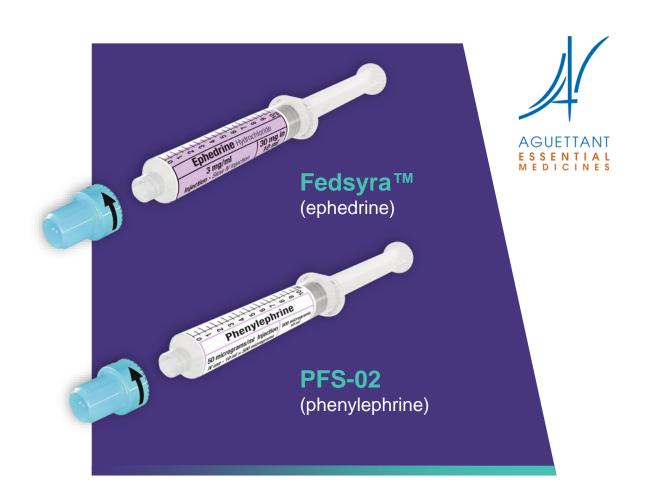
PFS-02

Phenylephrine 10 ml pre-filled syringe



Two complementary pipeline products added in July 2021 through a licensing agreement with France-based pharmaceutical company Laboratoire Aguettant

- Pre-filled, ready-to-use syringes of commonly used products for acute care
- Pre-filled, ready-to-use ephedrine and phenylephrine syringes combined market opportunity is estimated at over \$100 million
- Minimal expected cost to get the products through NDA submissions and potential approval
- Fedsyra is NDA ready and we're evaluating submission timing; phenylephrine is expected to be one year behind Fedsyra
- Approved and marketed products in Europe and other regions outside the U.S.



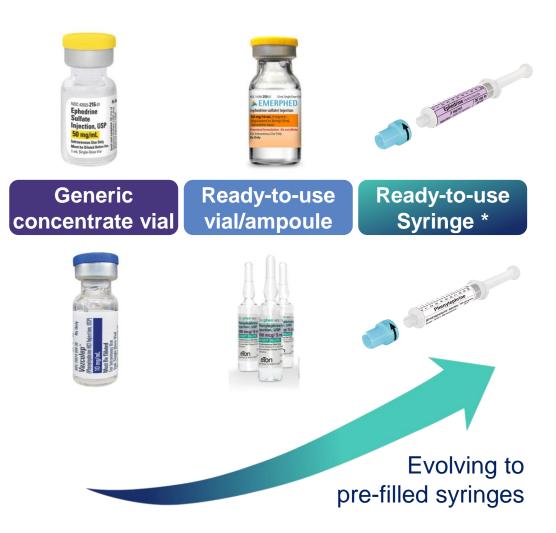
Ephedrine and phenylephrine: commonly used medicines in the perioperative settings for hypotension

Ephedrine is a first-line treatment for hypotension under general anesthesia¹

Ephedrine is an alpha- and beta- adrenergic agonist and a norepinephrine-releasing agent that is indicated for the treatment of clinically important hypotension occurring in the setting of anesthesia

Phenylephrine is a first line treatment for hypotension for obstetrics and spinal anesthesia²

Phenylephrine is an alpha-1 adrenergic receptor agonist for the treatment of clinically important hypotension resulting primarily from vasodilation in the setting of anesthesia



^{1.} Lonjaret et al. Integr Blood Press Control. 2014;7:49-59.

^{2.} Bishop et al. Anesth Analg. 2017;125(3):904-906.

^{*} Not an FDA approved product; Aguettant pre-filled syringe and AcelRx's formulations of ephedrine and phenylephrine are investigational in the U.S.

Aguettant pre-filled syringes are focused on delivering commonly used medicines safely and efficiently







Financial information/metrics

\$18.6M

March 31, 2024 cash and investments

\$14.0M

Initial combined proceeds from Jan 2024 royalty financing and first close of equity offering

\$4.2M

Q1 2024 combined R&D and SG&A⁽¹⁾

\$21-23M

FY 2024 estimated cash operating expense (excludes stock-based compensation)

(1) Operating expenses: Combined R&D and SG&A including \$0.3M non-cash stock-based compensation



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