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Statistically-Significant Data Supports NRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: NRXP) in Clinical Trial

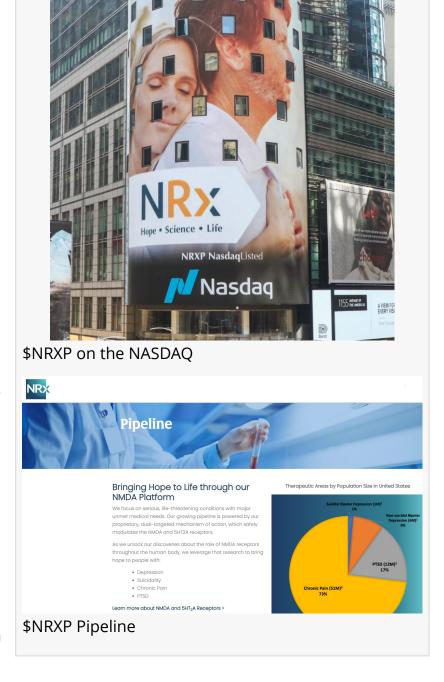
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Results Posted After Clinical Trial Delivers Statistically-Significant Data Supporting Accelerated Approval for Bipolar Depression and Schizophrenia: NRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: NRXP)

For more information on \$NRXP visit: https://www.nrxpharma.com/ and https://axecapitalusa.com/nrxp/

 Developing Therapeutics for the Treatment of CNS Disorders,
 Specifically Suicidal Bipolar Depression,
 Chronic Pain, and PTSD.

☐ MOU Signed with Conversio Health with Immediate Plans to Ship IV Ketamine Product to Full Range of Customers via 503a and 503b Pharmacies.

☐ Clinical Trial Success in Proving a Statistically Significant 76% Reduction in Akathisia in Participants Treated with NRX-101 Compared to Lurasidone.



☐ Company Plans to Seek Accelerated Approval of NRX-101 for Bipolar Depression and Akathisia and Broaden Indications Including Schizophrenia.

☐ First Oral Antidepressant to Show 33% Advantage in Sustained Remission in Suicidality and 75% Advantage in Relief from Akathisia Relative to Lurasidone.

☐ No Impact on Internal Flora – Considered Primary Causes of Pseudomembranous Colitis due to C Difficile and Female Yeast Infections.



☐ Received FDA Qualified Infectious Disease Product (QIDP) and Fast Track Designation in

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Dr. Jonathan Javitt, NRXP Chairman and Chief Scientist

Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (cUTI) and Pyelonephritis.

☐ Achieved pH Neutral Formulation of Ketamine, Potentially Enabling Both Intravenous (IV) and Subcutaneous (SQ) Administration.

 Plan to Distribute Shares of HOPE Therapeutics and Royalty Rights on Ketamine Sales to Existing NRXP Shareholders.

☐ Received \$5 Million Milestone Payment from Partners

Alvogen, Inc. and Lotus Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. (1975. TW)

☐ NRXP Eligible for Additional \$324 Million in Development & Sales Milestones, Plus Double-Digit Royalties Upon Approval and Commercialization of NRX-101.

NRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: NRXP) is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing therapeutics based on its NMDA platform for the treatment of central nervous system disorders, specifically suicidal bipolar depression, chronic pain, and PTSD. NRXP is developing NRX-101, an FDA-designated investigational Breakthrough Therapy for suicidal treatment-resistant bipolar depression and chronic pain. NRXP has partnered with Alvogen Pharmaceuticals around the development and marketing of NRX-101 for the treatment of suicidal bipolar depression. NRX-101 additionally has the potential to act as a non-opioid

treatment for chronic pain, as well as a treatment for complicated UTI.

NRXP is working on a New Drug Application for NRX-100 (IV ketamine) in the treatment of suicidal depression, based on results of well-controlled clinical trials conducted under the auspices of the US National Institutes of Health and newly obtained data from French health authorities, licensed under a data sharing agreement. NRXP was awarded Fast Track Designation for the development of ketamine (NRX-100) by the US FDA as part of a protocol to treat patients with acute suicidality.

First Quarter 2024 Financial Results and Business Update Highlights

On May 14th NRXP announced its First Quarter Operating Results and Business Highlights which included the following key points:

Executed Term Sheet from an institutional investor for an initial \$7.5 million note, subject to common closing requirements, primarily to replace current debt, clearing the path



COMPANY DESCRIPTION

NRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("NRx" or "the Company") is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company developing novel therapeutics for the treatment of central nervous system disorders with high unmet medical needs. The Company's foundation product is NRX-101, a patented combination of two FDA-approved drugs—D-cycloserine (DCSI), an NMDA receptor modulator; and lurasidone, an atypical antipsychotic medication. The Company is assessing the use of NRX-101 in four different indications; suicidal bipolar depression, choric pain, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and complicated urinary tract infections (cUTI). Development of NMDA antagonists, such as DCS, as antidepressants has been limited by their protential psychedelic side effects. Furthermore, serotonin-targeted drugs like urasidone have been limited by their own behavioral side effects, specifically akathisia. Professor Daniel Javitt (NRX Co-founder and Chair of its Scientific Advisory) made the simultaneous discovery that: (1) the psychedelic effects of NMDA antagonist drugs could be reversed by combining them with serotonin-targeted drugs. The previously undiscovered synergy between these two drug classes is the subject of 48 issued patents and 43 pending patents owned by or licensed to NRx Pharmaceuticals, and as such, is the medical and scientific basis for the Company's technology platform.

KEY POINTS

- NRx entered into a collaboration with Alvogen Pharmaceuticals for the development and commercialization of NRX-101 in suicidal bipolar depression, with the potential for up to \$330 million in milestones and double-digit royalties.
- NRx is conducting a single Phase 2b/3 trial of NRX-101 for Suicidal Treatment Resistant Bipolar Depression (5-TRBD), with topline clinical data readout expected by Q1 2024, potentially followed by an NDA application shortly thereafter.
- Under the Alvogen agreement, a successful data readout and completion of a Type B meeting with the FDA would trigger a \$10 million payment to NRx, at which point, Alvogen would be responsible for all future development and commercialization costs for this indication.
- NRX-101 is also being evaluated for the treatment of chronic pain as a non-addictive substitute for **opioid** products. The Company is planning to start a pharmacokinetic study following result readout of a 200-person U.S. Department of Defense-funded trial in treating chronic pain with DCS.
- NRx is assessing plans to create spinoff companies to complete development of NRX-100 (IV **ketamine**) for acute suicidality and NRX-101 for cUTI, which would potentially provide investors with both capital appreciation and a royalty stream
- As of September 30, 2023, NRx's cash and cash equivalent position was \$8.9 million.

\$NRXP Research Report



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to a Hope Therapeutics share distribution, with provision for funding up to \$30 million to fund pipeline opportunities.

Positive data from a Phase 2b/3 trial of NRX-101 in Treatment Resistant Bipolar Depression (TRBD); trial demonstrated depression efficacy comparable to standard of care and significant reduction of akathisia (P=0.025). Akathisia is a potentially lethal side effect of all serotonintargeted antidepressants and is associated with suicide. The study additionally demonstrated a 30% advantage in sustained remission from suicidality that was not statistically significant at this sample size.

The above findings of reduced suicidality mirror the results of the NRXP prior STABIL-B trial in acutely suicidal patients and also mirror the results of an independently published trial.

NRXP plans to file a New Drug Application (NDA) for Accelerated Approval under Breakthrough Therapy and Priority Review of NRX-101 in the treatment of bipolar depression in people at risk of akathisia, based on the Phase 2b/3 and STABIL-B data.

NRXP has developed a patentable pH-neutral formulation for ketamine that will be suitable for both intravenous and subcutaneous administration. Ketamine efficacy data are in hand from 4 clinical trials. Three manufacturing lots are now initiated (required for NDA) and NRXP plans to initiate the NDA by July

HOPE Therapeutics (which focuses on care delivery, not drug development) has partnered with representatives of ketamine clinic providers nationwide to construct a care platform that will include ketamine, operational support, and digital therapeutic extensions. In advance of FDA approval, HOPE is actively in the sales process to supply ketamine under 503b pharmacy licensure to meet the national ketamine shortage declared by FDA. HOPE is planned to be spun out as a separate company to be owned by NRx, current NRx shareholders, and new investors; Term Sheets received from prospective anchor investors for \$60 million of new investment, once publicly listed.

Data is expected shortly in 200-person DOD-funded trial of D-cycloserine (DCS), the key component of NRX-101, to treat chronic pain, conducted by Northwestern University. The statistical analysis plan and data unlock have been approved by Northwestern IRB.

NRXP NRX-101 in the treatment of Complicated Urinary Tract Infection (cUTI) granted Qualified Infectious Disease Product (QIDP), Fast Track, and Priority Review designations. NRXP has now demonstrated that NRX-101 does not damage the microbiome of the gut, in contrast to all other advanced antibiotics, and is less likely to cause C. Difficile infection (a potentially lethal side effect of antibiotic treatment). NRXP is reviewing partnership options.

Executed Memorandum of Understanding with Fondation FundaMental for rights to develop potential disease-modifying drug for Schizophrenia. If successful, this would represent the first drug to reverse the underlying disease mechanism of schizophrenia, rather than simply treating symptoms.

Financial Results for the Quarter and Year Ended December 31, 2023

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, NRXP reduced net loss from \$11.0 million in the first quarter of 2023 to \$6.5 million in 2024, representing a 41% improvement year over year. For that same period, Research and Development expenses decreased from \$3.7 million in 2023 to \$1.7 million in 2024, as clinical trial enrollment concluded. The \$2.0 million decrease is related primarily to a decrease of \$1.6 million in clinical trial expenses, \$0.2 million in regulatory and process development costs, and \$0.1 million in stock-based compensation. NRXP also recorded a 26% reduction in general and administrative expenses during the quarter, from \$5.8 million in

2023 to \$4.3 million in 2024. The decrease of \$1.5 million is related primarily to a decrease of \$1.2 million in insurance expenses, \$0.4 million in employee expense, and slightly offset by other general and administrative expenses.

As of March 31, 2024, NRXP had \$1.3 million in cash and cash equivalents, not including the \$5.1 million of working capital committed by Alvogen. This included a reduction of corporate indebtedness to Streeterville LLC of \$2.2 million. Subsequent to March 31, 2024, NRXP increased working capital by \$3.3 million from equity sales. Over the first three months of 2024, NRXP improved access to working capital by \$8 million in total, representing \$2.9 million from equity sales and \$5.1 million from the Alvogen milestone advance, while reducing corporate indebtedness by 50%.

NRXP continues to implement operational efficiencies to extend the cash runway and maintain focus on its path to generating revenue and value for shareholders.

Clinical Trial Success in Proving a Statistically Significant 76% Reduction in Akathisia in Participants Treated with NRX-101 Compared to Lurasidone.

On May 6th NRXP announced a statistically significant safety advantage of NRX-101 compared to the standard of care comparator in its recently completed clinical trial in patients with suicidal bipolar depression. Therefore, NRXP believes that the demonstration of reduced akathisia in the setting of comparable antidepressant efficacy constitutes a basis for Accelerated FDA Approval of NRX-101. The full clinical trial results will be presented at the upcoming meeting to the American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology held May 28-31 in Miami. NRXP will gather Key Opinion Leaders to educate the public on the importance and potentially life-saving implications of this finding.

Based on this safety finding, NRXP plans to seek accelerated approval of NRX-101 for the treatment of bipolar depression in patients with akathisia who are at the highest risk of suicide, while continuing to develop evidence to support broader indications both in the treatment of depression and schizophrenia. Should these data be confirmed in additional large-scale trials, NRXP believes that physicians and patients will universally prefer antidepressant and antipsychotic drugs with a reduced akathisia risk. The NRXP patent portfolio supports the development of a broad range of combined NMDA/serotonergic drugs for the treatment of depression and psychosis.

New Data Demonstrating No Damage to Internal Flora in Validated Models Compared to Standard Antibiotics: Value to Avoidance of Infections

On April 17th NRXP announced new data that demonstrate that in a rodent model, the Company's NRX-101 shows no measurable damage to either intestinal or vaginal flora, compared to the significant negative effect caused by drugs such as ciprofloxacin. Antibiotics commonly used to treat complicated urinary tract infections (cUTI) are associated with pseudomembranous colitis caused by Clostridium difficile (C diff) and vaginal yeast infections,

primarily owing to their impact on normal flora.

Plan to Distribute Shares of HOPE Therapeutics and Royalty Rights on Ketamine Sales to Existing NRx Shareholders

On March 18th NRXP announced that its Board of Directors has authorized its Chairman and management to take all necessary steps to affect a Dividend of HOPE Therapeutics ("HOPE") stock along with a royalty right of 1% of Ketamine sales to NRXP Shareholders and applicable warrant holders. The intent of NRXP is to distribute 49% of HOPE stock in this dividend. Shares of HOPE are planned to be publicly listed.

\$5 Million Milestone Payment from Partners Alvogen, Inc. and Lotus Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. (1975. TW)

On February 12th NRXP announced the advance of the first \$5 million milestone payment based on the Company's partnership agreement with Alvogen, Inc. and Lotus Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. (1975. TW).

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