

Limited by Design: SRP-9001 Approval Unlikely

Summary: DeLT4 predicted regulatory outcomes for SRP-9001 accelerated approval are 85% rejection probability due to lack of efficacy and proximity to EMBARK top-line readout in 4Q23 (PT \$100); 15% acceptance probability based on positive AdCom vote (8:6), “lack of alternatives”, and efficacy in younger patients (PT \$160). Catalyst event regarding accelerated approval is on June 22nd

- **DataChanneling suggests that FDA will not approve SRP-9001 for DMD given** 1) safety signal with >10% of patients showing treatment related SAEs, 2) lack of efficacy, 3) expression of μ Dystrophin did not correlate with NSAA (poor surrogate endpoint), and 4) episomal vectors lose expression over time in highly regenerative tissues
- **Hyperforecasting sets 90% probability SRP-9001 EMBARK 4Q:23 top-line data readout to show lack of efficacy** (52-week top-line NSAA data by 4Q:23; PT\$75). Full-report of Part 1 of EMBARK study in early 2024 not likely a relevant catalyst
- **Safety: SRP-9001 safety profile is not clean enough given lack of efficacy.** 9 out of 85 patients showed SRP-9001 treatment related SAEs, including liver injury and myocarditis. Other DMD gene-therapy trials were paused due to acute kidney disease (SGT-001 from Solid Biosciences) and a patient’s death (fordadistrogene movaparvovec from Pfizer)
- **Efficacy: SRP-9001 showed NO statistical significant increase in NSAA score in a placebo controlled study.** Efficacy observed in the 4-5 year old subgroup derived from a gain NSAA score over 4-8 weeks, after which kinetics of disease progression was similar to pbo (low number of patients with n=8 SRP-9001, n=8 pbo). Although EMBARK (-301 study) stratifies patients by age and NSAA score at baseline, it will likely not be sufficiently powered to achieve stat. sig. given expected 2-point difference in score
- **Surrogate Endpoint: Not appropriate.** Expression of functional Dystrophin should correlate with muscle function, however NO stat. sig. correlation between μ Dystrophin levels and NSAA score was observed. This could be due to heterogeneous expression (AAV episomal copy number varies, and not all muscle cells carry the vector), or lack of μ Dystrophin activity in human patients compared to pre-clinical data
- **Design Matters: DMD is a wear-and-tear disease and not all muscles are the same.** Optimal treatment requires 1) a functional Dystrophin construct, 2) early dosing, 3) restoring muscle function AND regeneration, especially in life limiting diaphragm and heart. Dosing 1 year-olds with integrative vectors (LVs) or genome-editors able to recapitulate natural Dystrophin expression would represent a better alternative.