

# Biotechnology

# Oramed Pharmaceuticals Inc. (ORMP)

# **EQUITY RESEARCH**

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Price: \$7.89

Price Target: \$20.00 Rating: Overweight

# **Key Statistics:**

 Symbol
 NASDAQ: ORMP

 52-Week Range
 \$3.59 - \$29.24

 Market Cap (\$M)
 308.6

 ADV (3 mo)
 275,385

 Shares Out (M)
 39.1

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# REV (\$M)

FYE Dec	2022E	2023E	2024E
1Q	\$0.7A	\$0.7	-
2Q	\$0.7A	\$0.7	-
3Q	\$0.7A	\$0.7	-
4Q	\$0.7E	\$0.7	-
Year	\$2.7E	\$2.7	\$56.8

# **EPS**

FYE Dec	2022E	2023E	2024E
1Q	\$(0.27)A	\$(0.20)	-
Prev	-	\$(0.33)	-
2Q	\$(0.27)A	\$(0.19)	-
Prev	-	\$(0.32)	-
3Q	\$(0.18)A	\$(0.20)	-
Prev	\$(0.30)E	\$(0.35)	-
4Q	\$(0.19)E	\$(0.22)	-
Prev	\$(0.31)E	\$(0.37)	-
Year	\$(0.91)E	\$(0.80)	\$(0.07)
Prev	\$(1.15)E	\$(1.37)	\$(0.59)

# **Company Update**

# 3Q Postview: Good Cash and Two Possible P3 Reads Could Make 2023 a Sweet Year

Investment Summary. We reiterate our OW rating and 12-month \$20 PT on ORMP shares. Oramed (ORMP) press released financial results ending the quarter with cash/equivalents of ~\$160M. Current cash/equivalents should provide runway through key value-creating milestones including: 1) P3 ORA-D-013-1 study of ORMD-0801 ('0801) in type 2 diabetes (T2D) top-line data in January 2023 and 2) P3 ORA-D-013-2 study of '0801 in T2D top-line data in 2H23 (our estimate). We believe that '0801 (oral insulin) may show a differentiated and superior clinical profile relative to injected insulin because of its potential to mimic a more physiological response. In our view, this route of administration allows the absorbed insulin to travel through the hepatic portal vein and target the liver directly. We look forward to the January readout, which will allow us to gauge possibilities and probabilities for potential approval and commercialization prospects.

P3 ORA-D-013-1 top-line data in January 2023 a key near-term potential value driver. We are interested in the outcome of the P3 ORA-D-013-1 study of '0801 in T2D, which is guided to read out in January. The primary efficacy endpoint is the mean change from baseline in HbA1C (hemoglobin A1c) at Week 26. If this P3 readout is clearly positive, it may enable '0801 to become a second/third line of treatment in place of DPP4s (dipeptidylpeptidase 4) inhibitors, GLP-1 (glucagon-like peptide 1) receptor agonists, and SGLT2 (sodium-glucose transport protein 2) inhibitors.

The second P3, ORA-D-013-2, for which the company disclosed was 50% enrolled in July 2022, is being conducted in T2D patients with inadequate glycemic control on diet control alone or on diet control and metformin monotherapy, for which we estimate a data readout in 2H23. Similar to the first study, the primary efficacy endpoint is mean change from baseline in HbA1c at week 26. Importantly, approximately 30% of subjects will be naïve to first line of therapy, metformin. With the enrollment criteria of this study, if the readout is clearly positive, there is the potential that '0801 may become first-line monotherapy or used in combination with metformin.

Changes to our model. We adjusted our model to reflect 3Q22 actual earnings. The company reported a net loss of (\$0.18) per basic and diluted shares for the quarter. In addition, we updated 3Q22 operating expenses. Furthermore, our model assumes an equity raise in 2Q23; we believe the company may initiate additional studies as well as start commercialization activity for ORMD-0801 if the P3 ORA-D-013-1 study reads out positively, which will increase the burn rate. Therefore, we increased the size of the assumed equity raise to ~\$113M from ~\$71M in 2Q23. These factors resulted in changes to our EPS estimates.



**Exhibit 1: ORMP Income Statement** 

	1Q22A	2Q22A	3Q22A	4Q22E	2022E	1Q23E	2Q23E	3Q23E	4Q23E	2023E	2024E	2025E
ORMD-0801 in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,771	\$117,767
US Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,771	\$117,767
ORMD-0801 in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,145
EU Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,145
Product sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,771	\$126,912
Other revenues	\$666	\$674	\$682	\$674	\$2,696	\$674	\$674	\$674	\$674	\$2,696	\$0	\$0
Total revenues	\$666	\$674	\$682	\$674	\$2,696	\$674	\$674	\$674	\$674	\$2,696	\$56,771	\$126,912
COGS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,677	\$12,691
as % of product revenues			10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%
% growth												
R&D expenses (GAAP)	\$5,836	\$9,179	\$5,347	\$5,614	\$25,976	\$5,895	\$6,190	\$6,499	\$6,824	\$25,408	\$31,761	\$38,113
% growth		57%	-42%	5%		5%	5%	5%	5%	-2%	25%	20%
% of sales												
SG&A expenses (GAAP)	\$6,082	\$2,912	\$3,524	\$3,700	\$16,218	\$3,885	\$4,079	\$4,691	\$5,395	\$18,051	\$27,077	\$37,907
% growth		-52%	5%	5%		5%	5%	15%	15%	11%	50%	40%
% of sales												
Operating expenses (GAAP)	\$11,918	\$12,091	\$8,871	\$9,315	\$42,195	\$9,780	\$10,269	\$11,191	\$12,219	\$43,460	\$64,514	\$88,711
Operating Income (GAAP)	(\$11,252)	(\$11,417)	(\$8,189)	(\$8,641)	(\$39,499)	(\$9,106)	(\$9,595)	(\$10,517)	(\$11,545)	(\$40,764)	(\$7,743)	\$38,201
Operating Margin												
Loss on remeasurement of redeemable convertible preferred stock liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other income, net	\$544	\$350	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$2,966	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$4,144	\$4,144	\$4,144
Loss (gain) from changes in fair value of investment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total other income (expense), net	\$544	\$350	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$2,966	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$1,036	\$4,144	\$4,144	\$4,144
Pre-tax income	(\$10,708)	(\$11,067)	(\$7,153)	(\$7,605)	(\$36,533)	(\$8,070)	(\$8,559)	(\$9,481)	(\$10,509)	(\$36,620)	(\$3,599)	\$42,345
Income tax expense	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
tax rate %	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Net Income	(\$10,708)	(\$11,067)	(\$7,253)	(\$7,605)	(\$36,633)	(\$8,070)	(\$8,559)	(\$9,481)	(\$10,509)	(\$36,620)	(\$3,599)	\$42,345
% growth												
Accretion on redeemable preferred stock	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Deemed dividend - beneficial conversion feature on redeemable covertible pro		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Non-controlling interests	\$283	\$534	\$193	•	\$1,010	•	• •	• •	• •		• •	
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	(\$10,425)	(\$10,533)	(\$7,060)	(\$7,605)	(\$35,623)	(\$8,070)	(\$8,559)	(\$9,481)	(\$10,509)	(\$36,620)	(\$3,599)	\$42,345
GAAP EPS	(\$0.27)	(\$0.27)	(\$0.18)	(\$0.19)	(\$0.91)	(\$0.20)	(\$0.19)	(\$0.20)	(\$0.22)	(\$0.80)	(\$0.07)	\$0.78
Shares outstanding - Basic (M)	38.68	38.80	39.10	39.30	38.97	39.49	45,49	48,49	48.73	45,55	53,73	54.00

Source: Cantor Fitzgerald Research, Company Presentation and SEC Filings

#### Valuation

We use a probability-adjusted DCF analysis to value ORMP shares. We forecast cash flows out to 2036. We apply a discount rate of 14% & do not assume a terminal value. The resulting NPV of free cash flow is ~\$1003M, based on our analysis, which drives our 12-month price target of \$20/share based on shares outstanding as of end-2Q23E. Our model assumes an equity raise in 2Q23.

### **Risks**

# Development, regulatory & commercial risks

ORMD-0801 may not show efficacy as a sole agent and/or in combination with other medications in Type 2 diabetes mellitus patients in P3 studies. ORMD-0801 may not show efficacy in additional indications it is being evaluated in, such as Type 1 diabetes mellitus or NASH. Studies may reveal unforeseen safety and/or tolerability issues for ORMD-0801. If ORMD-0801 is approved, new, more-efficacious products may enter the market and may compete for market share.

The company may fail to secure financing for additional studies or commercialization of ORMD-0801, should it be approved. The oral SARS-CoV-2 vaccine may fail to stimulate a suitable immune response for protection against COVID-19. ORMD-0901, an orally delivered GLP-1 analog, may fail to show efficacy in Type 2 diabetes mellitus. Preclinical programs may fail to receive an IND or to enter the clinic.

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# **Company Description**

Oramed is developing drugs using its Protein Oral Delivery (POD) technology, which protects proteins from proteolysis in the gastrointestinal (GI) tract & enhances absorption.

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