

# LICS THERAPEUTICS

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# **Acute-Care Specialty Pharma Company**

Founded in late 2005, EKR Therapeutics is dedicated to serving the needs of the acute-care hospital space by focusing on



the growth of novel products offering broader therapeutic potential to improve outcomes and patient quality of life.



# **Corporate Snapshot**

#### **Business Model**

• Product marketing/distribution • Selective Acquisitions • Development

#### **Execution**

- Accomplished management team with extensive industry expertise:
  - Sales & marketing
    Manufacturing
    QA/QC
    Clinical Development
  - Medical Affairs
    Regulatory/FDA Affairs
    Business Development
- Leverage EKR's direct field force of product specialists (~60 reps)

#### Goal

- Pre-eminent commercial operation in acute-care Rx products
- Double sales by 2012
- Create an enterprise value in excess of \$1 billion

#### **Financial Strength**

- >\$180 million raised in equity and debt financing since inception
  - MPM Capital
    LLR Partners
    Quaker BioVentures
    NewSpring Capital
  - ESP Equity Partners
    GE Healthcare Services
    Management



# Management

Name	Position	Experience
Howard Weisman	CEO & Chairman	ESP Pharma ● Parke-Davis ● Merck
Richard DeSimone	COO/CFO, Director	Roxiticus Ventures • Patient Care Mgmt • ESP Pharma (Advisor)
Michael J. Lerner, JD	SVP, General Counsel	Lowenstein Sandler ● Reliant Pharma ● Gibbons, Del Deo, Dolen, Griffinger & Vecchione
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Tong Zhang, Ph.D.	VP, Bus. Development	ESP Equity Partners • Credit Suisse • Defined Health



## **EKR Sales Team Profile**

- ~60 field specialists: Hospital, National Accounts
- Average 5-7 years of overall experience
- 1,500 accounts covered
- Strong record of performance over last 6 years



# **Broad Reach Within Hospitals**

**OR Staff** 

**Emergency** Critical Care/ Oncology **Neurology** Surgery Medicine Cardiology **Emergency** Interventional Neuro Stem Cell **CT Surgeon Department** Cardiologist **Intensivist Transplant Physician** Clinical **ED Nursing** Radiation **Vascular Surgeon** Neurosurgeon Cardiologist Staff Oncology **Critical Care Stroke General Surgeon Intensivist Neurologist CCU Nursing Trauma Surgeon** Staff Cath Lab **Techs Anesthesiologist** 



# **Key Milestones**

- EKR THERAPEUTICS
- 6/2006: Acquired rights to Gelclair® (oral mucositis)
- 10/2006: Deployed field force of 10 specialty reps
- 8/2007: Raised > \$13 million (~\$20 million cumulative)
- 8/2007: Acquired rights to DepoDur® (post-operative pain)
- 3/2008: Re-acquired legacy ESP Pharma Assets
  - > Cardene® IV and SR (hypertension)
  - > Retavase® (acute myocardial infarction)
- 3/2008: Raised >\$145 million
  - >\$50 million equity; MPM as lead
  - >\$95 million Senior Debt
- 4/2008: Integrated sales forces
- 6/2008: Relocated HQ to 21,000 sq. ft. from 10,000 sq. ft
- 7/2008: "Ready-to-Use" Cardene I.V. premixed bags approved
- 11/2008: 2X concentration Cardene I.V. RTU bags approved









#### **Core Promoted Products**





## **Commercial History**

- I.V. calcium channel blocker for the treatment of acute hypertension when an oral is not feasible or desirable (FDA approved 1992)
  - Smooth, predictable and reliable blood pressure control
  - Originally available in glass ampules for dilution prior to I.V.
- First-line treatment recommended by AHA / ECC and ASA guidelines
- May 2002: ESP Pharma acquires from Wyeth (\$6M run rate)
- Mar. 2005: PDL BioPharma acquires ESP (Cardene run rate ~ \$60M)
- Mar. 2008: EKR re-acquires Cardene (run rate ~ \$156M)





# **NEW Ready-to-Use I.V. Bags**

- July 2008: FDA approves premixed Cardene I.V. Ready-to-Use bags
- Nov. 2008: FDA approves Double (2X) concentration of RTU bags



predictable, precise, steady BP control

Now in convenient, proprietary point-of-care delivery platform



#### **Ampule**

- Well established efficacy and safety
- Approved treatment for >15 years
- More than 900,000 patients treated

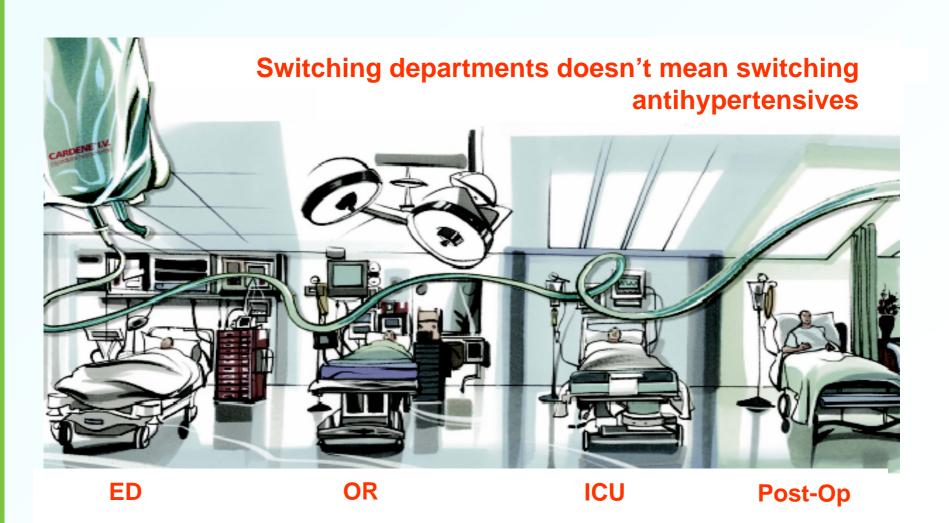
#### **Premixed RTU Bag**

- Same proven efficacy and safety
- Convenient stocking for rapid use
- Avoids medication admixing errors
- Facilitates better compliance with TJC standards





# **Utility in All Hospital Depts.**





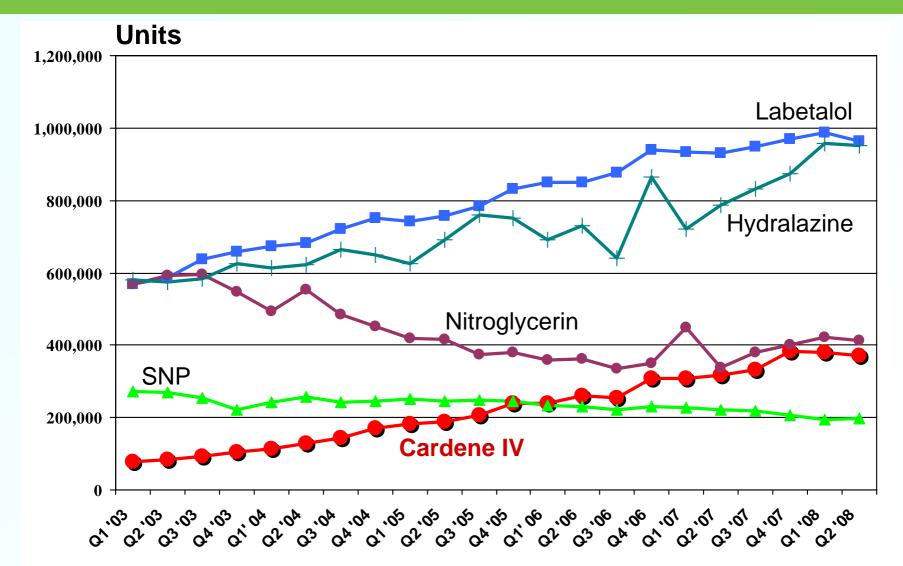
# **Growth Opportunities**

- Hypertension and Hypertensive Emergencies
  - 70+ million Americans have HTN
  - Hypertensive emergencies affects 500,000 Americans each year
- Stroke
  - ~750,000 ischemic and hemorrhagic strokes per year
- Perioperative Hypertension
  - Up to 30% 80% of all surgical patients, particularly cardiovascular surgical patients





## **Solid Foundation**



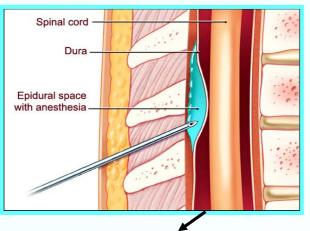
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## **Post-Surgical Pain Management**

Recovery starts with relief.





Intrathecal space ('spinal')

- Only FDA-approved extended-release opioid (morphine sulfate) for epidural use\*
- One injection provides up to 48-hr analgesia
- Patents: 2017
- Approved by FDA in May 2004
- Licensed to EKR by Pacira in August 2007
- EKR re-launch in Q1 2008

#### \* Broad Indication ...

'for single dose administration by the epidural route, at the lumbar level, for the treatment of pain following major surgery'

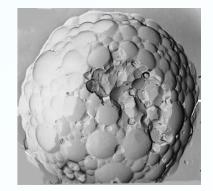




## **Product Characteristics**

Recovery starts with relief.

- Morphine sulfate encapsulated within DepoFoam®\*
  - Multi-vesicular liposome particles
  - Ready-to-use aqueous suspension <5% lipid</p>
  - Biodegradable and biocompatible
  - Compatible with narrow gauge needles



FF-SEM image of DepoFoam particle

- Ready-to-use extended-release of morphine
- Single lumbar epidural injection
- Available in 10 mg and 15 mg doses commercially (each at a concentration of 10 mg morphine/ml)



<sup>\*</sup> DepoFoam is a registered trademark of Pacira Pharmaceuticals



# **Competitive Advantages**

- A single epidural injection provides pain relief up to 48 hrs.
- Pain relief superior to IV PCA alone
  - Potentially less respiratory depression
- No indwelling epidural catheter required
  - Simplifies nursing care
  - Avoids complication of catheter dislodgement
  - Less potential for hematoma and infection
  - Faster time to ambulation
- Anticoagulants (e.g. LMWH) are not contraindicated





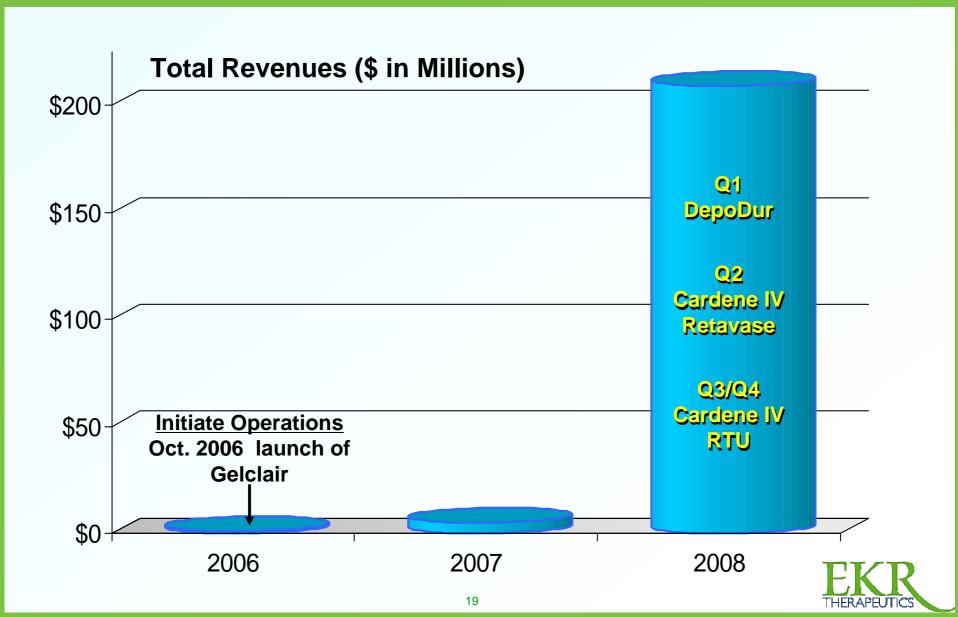
#### **Growth Platform**

Recovery starts with relief.

- Large market opportunity
  - More than 70 million surgical patients per year in the U.S.
    - > Over 25% experience severe post surgical pain
- Key market opportunities
  - Any major surgery requiring 48-hours of in hospital surveillance
  - Thoracic, abdominal, pelvic surgeries
  - Hip and knee arthroplasty



## **Revenue Trend**



# 2008 Financial Highlights\* (\$ in millions)

<b>Income</b>	Stat	tement

Gross Revenues \$ 209

EBITDA \$ 86

#### **Balance Sheet**

Cash, equivalents, short-term investments

**Current ratio** 

Long-term debt

**Equity** 

**Debt/EBITDA** 

**\$** 52

1.1x

\$ 30

\$ 36

0.35x



<sup>\*</sup> Estimations

# **EKR Growth Strategy**

- Sales and marketing of core promoted products
  - Organic growth opportunities
    - > Take advantage of product synergies
      - Potential top-line & margin benefits
    - > Leverage enlarged sales force of product specialists
      - Backed by strong customer service & medical education
- Business Development
  - Product acquisition/in-licensing/co-promotion
    - Approved products
    - > Late-stage development compounds
  - Flexible, win-win partnership philosophy



# **Business Development Strength**

- Well positioned to pursue deal/partnership opportunities
  - Strong financial resources
  - Highly experienced cohesive team
  - Fast decision making
  - Flexible deal philosophy with best interest alignment
  - Commitment to product commercialization

## Criteria

- Marketed or late-stage products
- Synergy with existing portfolio
- Ability to leverage commercial infrastructure



# **Take Away**

#### **Focus**

- Acute-care specialty products
- Leverage commercial organization to acquire & exploit under-valued approved and development products

#### **Ability to Execute Business Model**

- Cohesive management team with prior success executing the EKR strategy
- Within 2 years of initiating operations:
  - 4 commercial products
  - **FDA approval of 2 product line extensions**
  - Organization of over 100 people
  - Commercial operations of >70 sales & marketing personnel
  - Profitable and cash flow positive

#### **Growth Strategy**

- Additional acquisitions to complement organic growth
- Double sales by 2012
- Create an enterprise value in excess of \$1 billion
- Pre-eminent commercial operation in the acute care setting





