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**Galapagos N.V. ADR (GLPG- \$167.59, 9:47 AM ET Intraday Price )**

Rating: Overweight

Price Target: \$188.00

**We remain confident in filgotinib's competitive profile in the JAK landscape**

REV	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q
2017A	—	—	—	—
2018E	44.8A	57.1A	103.2A	113.0A
2019E	41.0E	114.0E	114.0E	88.0E
2020E	—	—	—	—
EPS	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q
2017A	—	—	—	—
2018E	(0.53)A	(0.62)A	0.26A	0.33A
2019E	(0.89)E	0.19E	(0.25)E	(1.22)E
2020E	—	—	—	—
FY	2017A	2018E	2019E	2020E
REV	127.1A	318.0A	357.0E	327.0E
EPS	(2.34)A	(0.57)E	(2.18)E	(5.88)E

Note: EPS and revenues in euros.

**Investment Summary. Reiterate OW and \$188 TP. Upadacitinib approval and label are largely in line with our expectations.** On Friday, the FDA approved ABBV (NC)'s upadacitinib, which is a key competitor to GILD (OW, A. Young)/GLPG's filgotinib. We think the filgotinib RA label (we model filgotinib US approval in late 2020) will likely look very similar to upadacitinib RA label overall including on safety claims (potential class labeling on thrombosis) and efficacy (no superiority claim versus Humira). We see a large commercial opportunity for both assets. However, long term we think filgotinib's safety profile, particularly on thrombosis risk, could be a key commercial differentiator and enable superior efficacy in indications beyond RA.

- **We think best in class data on thrombosis could be a key commercial differentiator for filgotinib regardless of class labeling.** Upadacitinib received a black box warning for thrombosis risk where the language suggests the FDA may be giving this warning for the JAK class broadly including filgotinib. From speaking to GLPG, the company will discuss filgotinib's safety profile and potential for no thrombosis warning with the FDA. Filgotinib has a very low rate of thrombotic events versus other JAKs. We think this could matter to physicians especially with the black box drawing more attention to this risk even if there is class labeling.
- **No superiority claim versus Humira for upadacitinib in the label we think is a positive for filgotinib.** We view the efficacy as highly similar between both assets in RA where both have demonstrated numerical superiority to Humira. However, based on the data generated and statistics used, we think filgotinib would have been unlikely to have a superiority claim in its label versus Humira. Thus, we think this levels the playing field in terms of labeled efficacy claims with filgotinib. We expect the marketing efforts of both ABBV and GILD/GLPG to be very large and will both emphasize the numerical superiority data generated versus Humira.
- **Pricing reflective of value of improved efficacy and convenience (oral) and supportive of a large market opportunity for both upadacitinib and GILD/GLPG's filgotinib.** Pricing of ~\$59k per year gross WAC is roughly in line with biologics and slightly higher than Xeljanz (~54K) and Olumiant (~26K), which we think illustrates the strong claims both products should have over currently widely used biologics in this large (\$20b+) market.

Current Statistics

Market Cap (M)	\$9,439	Shares Out (M) :	54.8
ADV (3 mo) :	163,458	52 Wk. Range	\$191.63 - \$85.00

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**Valuation**

We value Galapagos shares on a probability-adjusted DCF. We use a probability adjusted DCF to value Galapagos shares. We assign a discount rate of 10% and a terminal growth rate of 0%, in line with peers of similar size and R&D capacity.

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**Risks**

Key risks include greater-than-expected competition for GLPG's lead asset filgotinib and/or an unexpected clinical or regulatory setback. Key risks specific to filgotinib include:

- Lack of efficacy in Phase 3 trials such as ulcerative colitis, Crohn's or psoriatic arthritis.
- Greater-than-expected competition commercially, either from additional JAK inhibitors, novel biologics, or biosimilar entrants.
- Testicular toxicity (only seen pre-clinically) is seen clinically with filgotinib.

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## Company Description

Galapagos is a clinical-stage biotechnology company. The company's lead asset, filgotinib, is partnered with Gilead (OW, covered by A. Young) and is in development for a variety of diseases in the inflammation and immunology (I&I) space such as rheumatoid arthritis, ulcerative colitis, and Crohn's, among many others. Other programs in development include the wholly owned idiopathic pulmonary disease (IPF) franchise, which has entered Phase 3.

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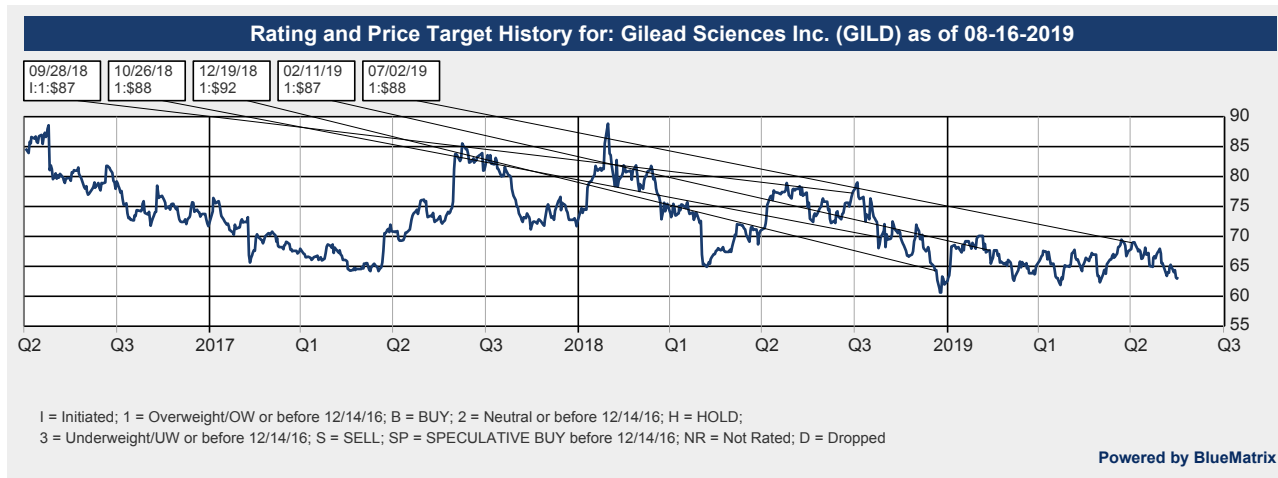
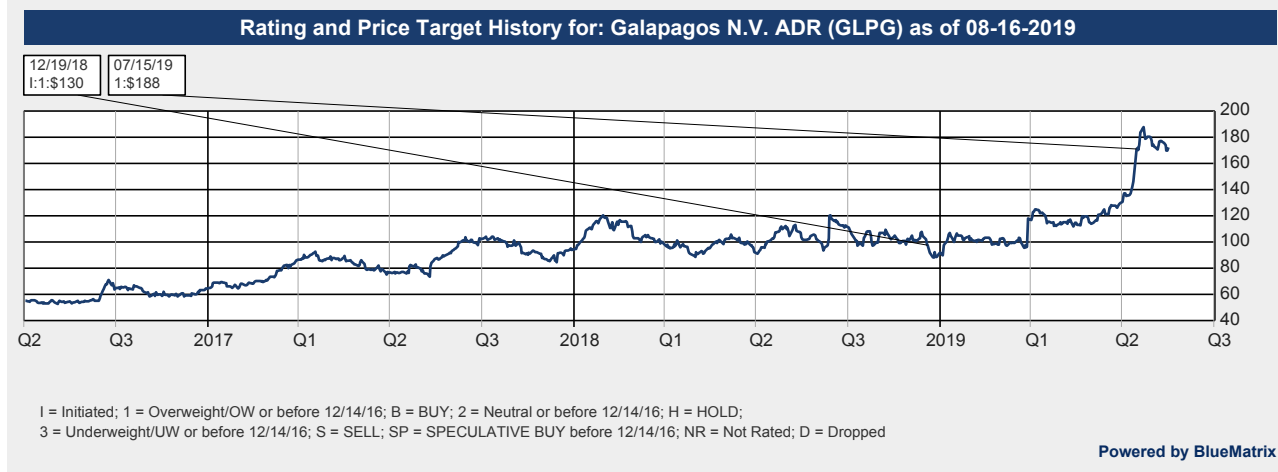
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