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Scrip	Reco Date	Reco Price	СМР	Target
• Aban Offshore	03-Mar-05	330	1,215	1,760
• Aditya Birla Nuvo	06-Dec-05	714	1,153	1,280
• Ceat	28-Nov-06	122	119	190
• Lupin	06-Jan-06	403	582	670
• Thermax	14-Jun-05	124	370	425

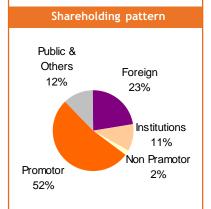
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Stock Update

USFDA nod for Trandolapril

Company details Price target: Rs670 Market cap: Rs4,677 cr 52 week high/low: Rs637/365 NSE volume: 57,220 (No of shares) BSE code: 500257 NSE code: LUPIN LUPLTD Sharekhan code: Free float: 3.8 cr (No of shares)





(%)	1m	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	15.3	21.6	21.4	53.1
Relative to Sensex	16.0	10.4	-10.6	7.3

Price performance

Key points

 Lupin has obtained a tentative approval from the US Food and Drug Authority (USFDA) for its abbreviated new drug application for Trandolapril tablets of strengths 1mg, 2mg and 4mg. Trandolapril is prescribed for the treatment of hypertension.

Buy; CMP: Rs582

- Abbot Laboratories Plc, USA is the innovator of Trandolapril, which is sold under the brand name Mavik®. The annual sales of the product in the USA stood at approximately \$53 million for the twelve months ended July 2006, based on IMS data. The product patent expires in June 2007.
- Lupin would launch the generic equivalent of the Mavik® tablets in US markets
 on receiving the final approval from the USFDA. The final permission is expected
 upon the expiry of the patent protection for the branded product in June 2007.
- Anticipating a 25% market share for Lupin at a 30% price erosion, we expect the
 product to generate revenues worth Rs27.8 crore (for the eight months after the
 expiry of the patent in June 2007) in FY2008.
- At the current market price of Rs582, Lupin is quoting at 14.9x its FY2008E earnings estimate, on a fully diluted basis. Keeping in mind the strong business fundamentals and growth potential of the company, we maintain our Buy recommendation on the stock with a price target of Rs670.

Event

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Product details

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Valuation table					Rs (cr)
Particulars	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007E	FY2008E
Net sales	1119.3	1161.1	1606.1	1934.1	2539.0
PAT	149.6	84.4	182.7	238.4	344.8
Shares in issue (cr)	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
EPS (Rs)	17.0	9.6	20.7	27.0	39.1
PER (x)	34.3	60.9	28.1	21.5	14.9
cash EPS (Rs)	20.3	13.3	25.3	32.5	45.2
cash PER (x)	28.7	43.7	23.0	17.9	12.9
EV	5496.2	5557.0	5591.0	5104.3	5080.8
EV/Ebidta (x)	23.3	43.7	24.5	16.8	12.4
Book value (Rs/share)	50.8	56.7	73.0	142.7	174.4
P/BV (x)	11.5	10.3	8.0	4.1	3.3
Mcap/sales	4.6	4.4	3.2	2.7	2.0

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What the product approval means for Lupin

Lupin has received the tentative approval from USFDA for its ANDA on Trandolapril, as the drug is currently under patent protection. Hence, Lupin can launch the generic equivalent of Abbott's *Mavik®* tablets in US market on final approval, which is expected upon expiry of patent protection for the brand product in June 2007.

Currently, Teva and the innovator are marketing the product. The important thing is that so far just two players including Lupin have got the tentative approval for this product. This indicates that Lupin can have the early-mover advantage in grabbing a larger pie of the generic market for Trandolapril.

Anticipating a 25% market share for Lupin at a 30% price erosion, we expect the product to add revenues worth Rs27.8 crore (for eight months after the expiry of the patent in June 2007) in FY2008.

View and valuation

Lupin's domestic formulation business has been growing by over 20% in the last few quarters, way above the industry growth rate of roughly 15%. With a strong thrust on the chronic therapy segments, a doubling of its field force and aggressive new product launches, we estimate Lupin's domestic business would grow at a compounded annual growth rate of 22.5% over FY2006-08. The growth would

come on the back of 15-20 new launches per year and an increase in the productivity of the field force.

We believe the US generic business will be the major growth driver for Lupin. Sizeable new product opportunities coupled with a sustained growth in the existing products provide a strong visibility to Lupin's earnings from the US generic market. We have estimated revenues of \$70 million in FY2007 and of \$130 million in FY2008 from the US generic business. Further, any Para IV wins will provide an upside to our estimates.

Lupin has recently started exporting formulations to the European countries. Having already made 11 dossier filings in FY2006, the company plans to file 10-12 dossiers every year. We estimate Europe to add \$3 million and \$10 million in FY2007 and FY2008 respectively to Lupin's top line.

Lupin has a robust pipeline of four new chemical entity (NCE) molecules. One of these is entering Phase III trials, two are in Phase II clinical trials and another one is in Phase I trials. Lupin's lead NCE, an anti-migraine molecule, has received the approval from the Drug Controller General of India for Phase III trials in India. This is most likely to trigger an out-licencing deal for the molecule leading to milestone receipt and additional value for the stock.

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Great Offshore

Viewpoint

Follow the leader

Great Offshore Ltd (GOL), the de-merged offshore business of the Great Eastern Shipping Company, is likely to get listed tomorrow. The de-merger has been a step towards unlocking the value of the offshore business that commands much higher multiples as compared with the shipping business. More so in the current scenario where the heightened exploration activity globally is resulting in firming up of the charter rates for offshore drilling and offshore support vessels, and the other allied services.

Moreover, GOL, under the leadership of Vijay Sheth, would be able to focus on aggressively growing the asset base in the offshore business and to further consolidate its dominant position in India. With a fleet size of 38 vessels (including support vessels, construction barges, drilling rigs and ships), the company is the largest domestic player in the segment. It has already ordered four more vessels, including one jack-up offshore rig. The company is expected to leverage its balance sheet and raise resources to fund its huge capital expenditure plans of over \$200 million in the coming couple of years.

Acquisition of fleet

Particulars	Nos	
Acquisitions betwee		
PSV	2	
AHTS	2	
MSV	1	
Vessels on order		Expected Delivery
AHTS	1	Dec-06
AHTS	1	Feb-07
AHTS	1	Sep-08
Jack Up Rig	1	Nov/Dec-08

Source: Company, Annual report

Fair value

The listed comparable companies like Garware Offshore and South East Asia Marine are trading at an average of 19.6x CY2006 earnings. Given the fact that GOL is a much larger player, it should at least command 20x FY2007 estimated earnings (rough estimates) of around Rs33-34 per share (after accounting for the muted performance in the second half due to the dry-docking of its jack-up rig). That works out to Rs660-680 per share.

Peer valuations

	EPS (CY06)	PER
Garware Offshore	9.2	28.8
SEAMEC	15.3	10.5
Average		19.6

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Fem Care Pharma

Genus Overseas Electronics

HCL Technologies

ICI India

India Cements

Indo Tech Transformers

Jaiprakash Associates

JM Financial

KEI Industries

NIIT Technologies

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Ratnamani Metals and Tubes

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