

## MARKET STATISTICS

Exchange / Symbol	NASDAQ: SNOA
Price:	\$4.84
Market Cap (\$mm):	\$20.8
Enterprise Value (\$mm):	\$3.6
Shares Outstanding (mm):	4.3
Float (%):	98%
Volume (3 month avg.):	22,100
52 Week Range:	\$3.91-\$8.25
Industry:	Specialty Pharmaceuticals

## CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

(\$mm, except per share data)

Balance Sheet Date:	6/30/2017
Cash & Cash Equivalent:	\$12.64
Cash/Share:	\$2.93
Equity (Book Value):	\$18.61
Equity/Share:	\$4.32

## CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENTS

(\$mm, except per share data)

FY - 03/31	Revenue	Net Income	Adj. EBITDA	EPS
FY16	\$9.4	\$(10.2)	\$(12.4)	\$(3.09)
FY17*	\$12.8	\$9.3	\$(10.5)	\$2.17
FY18E	\$16.4	\$(11.3)	\$(8.8)	\$(2.52)

\*Includes discontinued operations

## LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

Bard Associates, Inc.	122,900
The Vanguard Group, Inc.	103,300
JW Asset Management, LLC	101,000
Renaissance Technologies Corp.	39,300
BlackRock, Inc.	28,100
Geode Capital Management, LLC	13,200
Aurus S.A.	12,000
Acadian Asset Management, Inc.	3,100
Morgan Stanley Investment Banking	2,600
Guggenheim Partners, LLC	2,200

## STOCK CHART



## COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Sonoma) is a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and markets solutions for the treatment of dermatological conditions and advanced tissue care based upon its proprietary technology Microcyn®. The Company's products, which are sold throughout the United States and internationally, have improved outcomes for more than five million patients globally by reducing infections, itching, pain, scarring, and harmful inflammatory responses. The Company's headquarters are in Petaluma, California, with manufacturing operations in the United States and Latin America. European marketing and sales are headquartered in Roermond, Netherlands.

## SUMMARY

As part of this notable turnaround story, Sonoma Pharmaceuticals continues to expand domestically and abroad, capturing greater share of the US dermatology market and executing upon its revamped long-term strategic plan put in place mid-2014.

- As of 12/6/16, the Company announced a name change from Oculus Innovative Sciences, Inc. to Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. as part of a rebranding initiative and the Company's commitment to focusing on the high-margin US dermatology market moving forward.
- The dermatology market offers tremendous upside potential. Within dermatology, the Company has a core focus of topical dermatitis, a \$1.3B addressable market, and a secondary focus of systemic acne, a \$3.9B addressable market. Also, Sonoma has launched a new scar treatment to support the approximately 42 million surgical skin procedures that are performed in the US per year, with many patients experiencing hypertrophic scarring and keloids after those surgical procedures; newer product launches address sizable markets as well.
- Sonoma currently sells six product lines in the US, with some products developed in-house and some acquired, and the Company has several additional products set to hit the market in 2H 2017 and 1H 2018.
- Sonoma created a new direct sales force in 2014 with 14 sales team members initially. Currently, the Company has a sales team of 30 sales reps and 5 senior sales managers, both to support the launch of products and to increase market share for those currently in the bags.
- The Company's Microcyn®-based products are sold throughout the US and the world, and have treated more than 5M patients globally to reduce infection, itch, pain, scarring, and harmful inflammatory responses; these products are based on technology designed to be a non-irritating, shelf-stable solution containing oxychlorine compound with an established safety profile.
- The Company grows sales abroad through its relationships with distributors. Approximately 49% of its revenue came from sales internationally in Q1 FY18. Sonoma has made a concerted effort to engage strong partners internationally.
- As of 10/31/16, management announced the sale of its Latin American business for \$19.5M cash to Invektra S.A.P.I. de C.V. of Mexico; the deal enabled the Company to sell a slower growing, lower margin segment of its business in exchange for a sizable cash payment that has been put to work advancing its US dermatology business (fast growing and higher margin).
- A key focus for management is driving towards commercial EBITDA breakeven without shareholder dilution; with careful execution, the timing within various quarter-over-quarter growth scenarios shows this goal likely being achieved 2H calendar 2018.
- As of 6/30/17, the Company reported \$3.8M in total revenue for Q1 FY18, with product revenues up 49% year-over-year driven by growth in US dermatology and acute care markets and in products sold to new owner of Latin American assets, and with approximately \$12.6M in cash on hand and minimal debt.

On an EV/R basis, Sonoma currently trades at 0.2x vs. the median of its peers at 34.5x based on FY18 estimates. In addition, companies in the dermatology space have been acquired at a median EV/R multiple of 3.6x. See pages 9 – 10 for further details.

## MICROCYN® TECHNOLOGY

The Company's principal technology platform Microcyn® is a potent broad-spectrum antimicrobial designed to treat a wide range of pathogens, including viruses, fungi, spores and antibiotic-resistant strains of bacteria such as Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus (VRE), and Clostridium difficile, among others. All of these cause disease or inhibit the healing in both acute and chronic wounds. Microcyn® products are generated through a unique, patented electrochemical treatment of diluted saltwater where a pH neutral solution of hypochlorous acid, and its sodium salt, hypochlorite, is generated. The hypochlorous acid in Microcyn®, similar to the natural hypochlorous acid produced by the human body, preserves the Microcyn® solution. In addition, Microcyn® has demonstrated a reduction in inflammation, itch, pain, skin infections, healing and scarring without irritation and side effects.

Microcyn® is a non-irritating, shelf-stable solution containing an oxychlorine compound. Its safety profile has been established as comparable to saline through treatment of over five million patients to date, and efficacy and safety have been validated via more than 30 clinical studies. There are several unique qualities that set Microcyn® apart from other technologies in the dermatology and wound care markets. Its advantages include:

- Microcyn® is based on shelf-stable hypochlorous acid – Hypochlorous acid (HOCl) is unquestionably a potent sterilization agent. The human immune system manufactures it to kill harmful microbes. There are other companies in these markets that produce HOCl formulations; however, these formulations typically become unstable after a short time.
- Microcyn® has multiple applications – Microcyn® has been proven in laboratory studies to kill fungus, spores, viruses, and bacteria, including antibiotic-resistant bacteria such as MRSA, VRE and Pseudomonas in just 30 seconds. With the proliferation of “super bug” mutations reaching a high level, there is clearly a need for an effective broad spectrum antimicrobial. Additionally, Microcyn® based products have proven therapeutic capabilities to relieve various irritations and afflictions of the skin and improve the healing process.
- It has a strong safety profile – Microcyn®'s safety profile has been established through the treatment of over five million patients to date under FDA 510(k) clearances as a medical device in the United States, and its efficacy has been validated through more than 30 clinical studies. Microcyn® has received the European Union certification for wound cleaning, reduction of microbial load, treatment of acne, atopic dermatitis and scar management, among others, as well as various drug approvals in Mexico, Latin America, the Caribbean, India, China, as well as other Asian countries and throughout the Middle East. For example, most recently in August 2016, Australia and New Zealand granted medical device approvals for Microcyn® solution as well as Hydrogel.

- There is low potential for resistance – Because Microcyn® does not target specific strains of bacteria, which tends to promote resistance, there is a very low potential for the bacteria to develop resistance against this treatment formulation.
- Microcyn® line is well suited for the dermatology market – The Company is primarily targeting the dermatology market, which benefits from having shorter development time, lower clinical trial costs and regulatory hurdles, and offers a level of pricing power. In addition, Microcyn® has demonstrated a reduction in inflammation, itch, pain, skin infections, healing and scarring without irritation and side effects related to many competitive, steroid-based products.

*Exhibit 1: Sonoma Products Offerings Developed In-house*



*Source: Company Reports*

As last reported, the Company had a total of 63 issued patents, with 33 applications pending in the US and abroad. Patent claims cover:

- Chemical composition
- Apparatus
- Method of manufacturing
- Therapeutic uses

## DERMATOLOGY PRODUCTS

Sonoma currently has 6 dermatology product lines being sold in the US and has announced additional approvals for products in the US and abroad. Most recently the Loyon® skin descaling product was approved by the FDA and launched October 2017. Management has the stated goal of launching several new products in the upcoming six months to one year. Below we review two of the more established product lines, Alevecyn™ and Celacyn™.

The Company received FDA clearance for **Alevecyn™ Antipruritic Gel** in March 2010, and it was approved for the use of managing atopic and radiation dermatitis in February 2011, with a US patent issued for atopic dermatitis. Alevecyn™ is intended to reduce or replace the use of corticosteroids. **Alevecyn™ Dermal Spray** for reduction of pain and itch in skin dermatoses was introduced November 2014, followed by **Alevecyn™ Spray Gel** for trunk dermatitis in early 2015.

The Company estimates the addressable US market for the Alevecyn™ products at approximately \$500 - \$600 million. Pricing has been established around ~\$220 (170 grams) with up to a \$45 rebate; a comparable course of corticosteroids can cost in the \$100 - \$800 range.

*Exhibit 2: Atopic Dermatitis Product Comparison*

	Topical Immunomodulators	Topical Corticosteroids	Alevecyn
Reduces Itch	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good
Reduces Inflammation	Very Good	Very Good	Good
Anti-microbial & Time to Kill	Neutral	Neutral	Very Good
Improves Broken Skin	Very Poor	Very Poor	Very Good
Safety	Very Poor	Very Poor	Very Good
Side Effects	Very Poor	Very Poor	Very Good

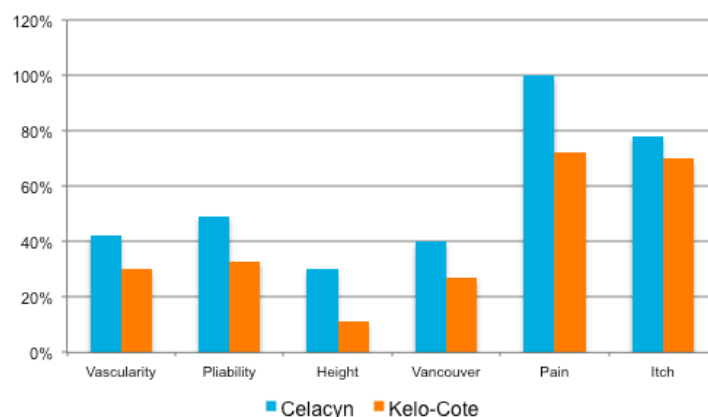
Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Partners

Additionally, Sonoma faces other competitive products in this area such as Novartis' Elidel® Cream and Astellas' Protopic®, both prescription medicines addressing moderate to severe eczema, or atopic dermatitis.

**Celacyn™ Scar Management Gel** prescription treatment was introduced in early 2015. It is one of only two approved prescription scar products in the US. It is approved for the management of old and new keloid and hypertrophic scarring.

The Company estimates that the addressable US market includes approximately 62 million new scars formed annually, and clinical study results have demonstrated Celacyn™ advantages over the competition.

*Exhibit 3: Percentage of Improvement Over Baseline at 12 Weeks – Celacyn vs. Kelo-Cote in Double Blind, Randomized Clinical Study*



Source: Company Reports

## GROWTH STRATEGY

Since mid-2014, Sonoma has been executing upon a new strategic plan put in place to more keenly focus its target markets and to drive the top line. As part of its new long-term plan, the Company spun off its surgical products division and recently sold its Latin American business, brought in new management as well as directors, made a decision to go after the dermatology market with full force, and executed a name change. Funds from the spin-off of its surgical products division were utilized to kick start the process. Management has set out the following approach to reaching Sonoma's long-term goals.

**Establish a Direct Sales Platform in the US Focused on Derm:** In fall 2014, the Company deployed a direct salesforce in the US, using Microcyn® as its cornerstone technology, and subsequently launched several new products under its new IntraDerm Pharmaceuticals division. The Sonoma sales team is made up of seasoned sales veterans that have established relationships with dermatologists, and many of those are heavy prescription writers. As last reported, the Company had a salesforce of 35, with the average salesperson having 10.3 years experience in dermatology. We note that 13 of these sales reps were just recently hired near the end of March 2017 quarter, which should lead to a quick ramp in the top line in the near-term.

**Continue Strong Sales Abroad via International Distribution Network:** The Company maintains an international network of distributors in over 30 countries to support and grow sales abroad. In Europe and the rest of the world, Sonoma continues to support and build out a network of international distributors for its broad portfolio of CE Mark and other international approvals. As of October 31, 2016, Sonoma announced the sale of its Latin American business to Invekra for \$19.5M in cash; additionally, Invekra will pay the Company a 3% royalty going forward on all Latin American revenues outside of Mexico, with a minimum of \$250K per year for the next 10 years. While Sonoma sold all its Latin American assets related to Microdacyn-based products sold there and in the Caribbean, the Company maintains rights to dermatology products sales in Brazil.

Notably, the Company will maintain its current manufacturing facility in Mexico for production of its Sonoma-branded Microdacyn-based products for all countries outside of the US and Latin America. Overall, the deal with Invekra allowed the Company to sell a slower growing, lower margin segment of its business in exchange for a sizable cash payment that can be put to work advancing its US dermatology business (fast growing and higher margin).

**Create a Competitive Pricing Strategy:** Sonoma has a unique product pricing strategy, which it believes bridges many of the challenges associated with the prescription dermatology market's pricing and rebate programs. The Company recently increased dermatology product prices, which has had a very positive impact on operations to date. Expectations are for a 10% - 20% increase in dermatology products prices in 2017.

**Develop a Pharmaceutical Line:** The Company plans to acquire and/or develop pharmaceutical products with affordable clinical trials to increase its market presence and will protect its proprietary technology with innovator patent protection. Fairly recently, the Company licensed and launched Mondoxyne, an oral drug approved for the treatment of severe acne, which is a bestseller by dollars for Sonoma. Additionally, Sonoma end-licensed Ceramax™ with FDA approval for atopic dermatitis and launched sales in April 2016; the Company also launched Lasercyn™ in August 2016 for the treatment of post laser and microdermabrasion procedures as well as chemical peels. In Q3 FY17, the Company launched SebuDerm for the treatment of seborrhea dermatitis. Most recently, Sonoma received FDA clearance for Loyon® Skin Descaler, which was launched in October 2017.

*Exhibit 4: Acquired Product Lines*



*Source: Company Reports*

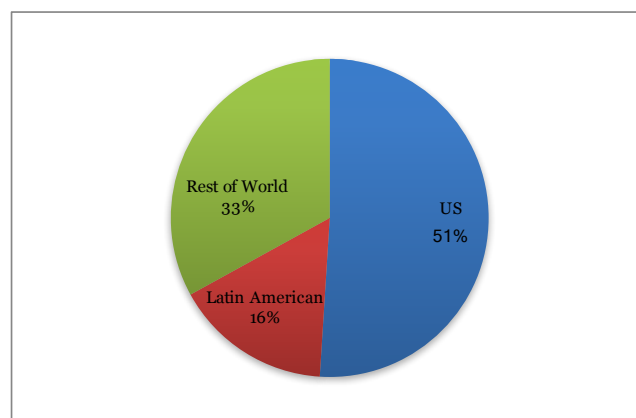
**Re-establish Presence in Animal Healthcare Market with New Partner:** The Company recently launched two new products for animals – MicrocynAH® Anti-Itch Spray Gel and MicrocynAH® Hot Spot Spray Gel. Sonoma established the MicrocynAH family of animal healthcare products for North America in February of 2015 and has partnered with Manna Pro Products for distribution in the US. In February 2017, Sonoma announced that PetSmart, Inc. had launched the MicrocynAH® family of healthcare products with chain-wide availability at 1,500+ stores across North America. In September 2017, SNOA commercialized its first MicrocynAH® animal healthcare products in Japan.

Through careful execution of its growth strategy, Sonoma should be capable of generating continued increases in prescriptions quarter-over-quarter, reaching one the Company's most important milestones of EBITDA breakeven, most likely in 2H calendar 2018.

## GLOBAL SNAPSHOT

The Company expects to grow its product revenues in the US and abroad in FY18 and beyond, with the US becoming a larger part of that mix within the short-term. As reported for Q1 FY18, the United States represents approximately 51% of total product revenue, while Latin America, and the rest of the world made up 16%, and 33% of its product revenue, respectively.

*Exhibit 5: Product Revenues for Quarter ending 6/30/17*



*Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Partners*

**United States:** Sonoma is focused primarily on the dermatology market and secondarily on advanced wound tissue care. As mentioned, management has the stated goal of launching several new products in the upcoming six months to one year utilizing its own salesforce. Meanwhile, the Company's acute care team continues to advance market adoption of the Microcyn® tissue care products. Partner Manna Pro Products, LLC will handle sales and distribution of animal healthcare products, principally marketing non-prescription animal care products for pet, equine and farm animal to venues in the US and Canada.

**Europe:** Sonoma currently has distribution partners in Austria, Belgium, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, the Netherlands, Germany, Greece, the Czech Republic, Sweden, Spain, Norway, Switzerland, Poland, Finland, Denmark and Serbia.

**Latin America:** As of 10/31/16 the Company announced the sale of its Latin American business for \$19.5M in cash as well as 10-year annual payment of 3% on Latin American sales, excluding Mexico, with a minimum of \$250,000 per year. Sonoma retains rights to sell dermatology products in Brazil.

**Rest of World:** Strategic partnership have been formed for sales and distribution of Microcyn®-based products in Bangladesh, Pakistan, India, China, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Dubai, Kuwait, Iraq, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, Australia and New Zealand.



## DERMATOLOGY MARKET

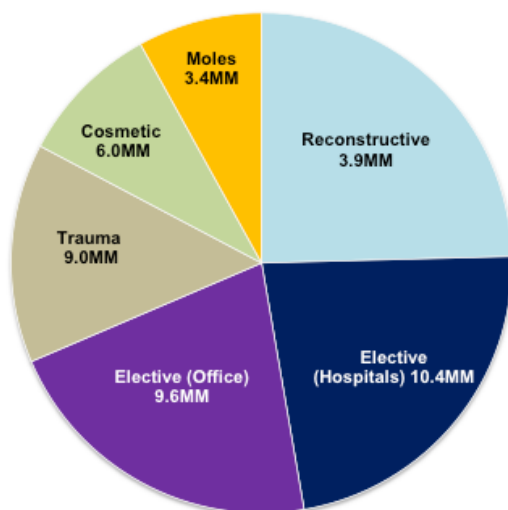
The dermatology market is large and can offer certain pricing flexibility not afforded by other areas of healthcare. This highly competitive marketplace is characterized by an often affluent patient base willing to pay out of pocket. Management is looking to capitalize on the potential of capturing a meaningful segment of the market with a smaller salesforce, given that it's frequently a concentrated group of dermatologists writing the bulk of prescriptions.

*Exhibit 6: Potential Dermatology Indications & Annual Topical Total Prescriptions*

<b>Core Focus:</b>	
<u>Topical Dermatitis</u>	
	6.9M 2016 prescriptions
	\$1.3B addressable market
<b>Secondary Focus:</b>	
<u>Systemic Acne</u>	
	7.0M 2016 prescriptions
	\$3.9B addressable market
<b>Future Focus:</b>	
<u>Topical Acne</u>	
	8.7M 2016 prescriptions
	\$1.6B addressable market

With the Company's newer strategic plan of being a pure play dermatology-focused company, Sonoma initially targeted two areas in the US: atopic dermatitis and prescription scar products. More recent approvals have been granted for a patented skin repair and seborrheic dermatitis products. The Company also recently acquired rights to a branded acne drug.

*Exhibit 7: US Breakdown of Surgical Skin Procedures*



Total: 42.3MM

Source: Company Reports

Approximately 42 million surgical skin procedures are performed in the US per year based on the market survey conducted by The Nemets Group in 2009. Moreover, 62 million scars are formed annually in the US according to the Center for Disease Control. Many patients experience hypertrophic scarring and keloids (overgrowth of scar tissues) after the surgical procedures. It is estimated that 93 million people in the US are living with scars, and about 169 million scars can be characterized as hypertrophic or keloid (raised and red colored scars due to overgrowth of repairing tissues) according to Frost & Sullivan.

## RISKS

As with any investment, there are certain risks associated with Sonoma's operations as well as with the surrounding economic and regulatory environments.

- Sonoma faces operational challenges in executing its strategy. While the Company has established direct sales teams in the dermatology and advanced tissue care markets, the Company partners with distributors to market and sell its other products. If these distributors do not invest enough resources or there is a misstep in educating their teams, sales of Sonoma's products could be hampered.
- There are stringent regulatory requirements in the US and abroad where government authorities strictly regulate the research, testing, manufacturing and sales of pharmaceutical products, biologics, and medical devices. All of the Company's products require approval by government agencies prior to being commercialized, and then there are various compliance standards that must be met and/or maintained subsequent to launching a product. The Company currently has seventeen 510(k) clearances from the FDA for its products to be used as medical devices, as well as numerous comparable approvals in countries abroad. Should the Company fail to meet or comply with any of these regulatory requirements, future financial results could be severely affected.
- The Company has patents issued to protect proprietary rights covering its Microcyn® technology and current know-how related to chemical composition, methods of manufacturing, and targeted indications, among others. Even if patents are issued, they can be challenged by competitors. Additionally, competitors can develop modified, non-infringing versions of the drug in order to obtain approval for sales. Litigation related to IP infringement can be lengthy and very costly to prove.
- Sonoma has a history of losses. The Company incurred a net loss for almost all the quarters in the last five years. As of Q1 FY18, Sonoma reported an accumulated deficit of approximately \$147M. Should the Company be unable to obtain additional capital as needed at reasonable terms, the result would likely be a delay in the expansion of its product sales and pipeline, which in turn would impair the Company's ability to execute upon its long-term strategic plan to profitability.

## RECENT RESULTS

On August 8, 2017, the Company announced financial results for the first quarter and fiscal year 2018. Below we outline year-over-year results and note certain variances. In general, quarterly performance was in-line with management's guidance.

Notably, Sonoma reported that dermatology prescriptions filled for the first quarter were up 66% year-over-year and up 24% over the March 2017 quarter; additionally, plans are to continue moving forward with this quick expansion of its US sales team initiatives and portfolio of dermatology products to drive the top line. At EBITDA breakeven, a metric discussed frequently by management, SNOA estimates that its total net revenue should be in the range of \$6 million to \$7 million per quarter, and the prescriptions filled should be in the range of 32,000 to 35,000 per quarter. Blended gross margins are expected to be near the low 70% level; gross margins should continue to improve as US dermatology revenue increases, which has 80% - 85% gross margins.

Thus, it is estimated that starting with the June quarter, if prescriptions filled grow at a rate of 13% - 20% quarter-over-quarter moving forward, the Company should reach EBITDA breakeven around the June to December 2018 timeframe.

### Exhibit 8: Variation Analysis Year-over-year

Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income (in thousands \$, except per share amounts) Fiscal Year: March				
	Q1 FY17	Q1 FY18	Variance	
<b>Total revenues</b>	\$ 2,638	\$ 3,835	1,197	Product revenues up y-o-y increase driven by growth in US, Europe, Rest of World and Latin America
Total cost of revenues	1,657	2,073	416	Gross margins 46% vs. 37% in PY due to the reclassification of Latin America revenue and related variable cost of goods sold from continuing operations to discontinued ops, as well as strong growth in higher margin derm sales
<b>Gross profit (loss)</b>	981	1,762		
Operating expenses				
Research and development	360	382	22	Higher spending on product development
Selling, general and administrative	4,130	4,763	633	Higher sales expense related to growing derm sales force
Total operating expenses	4,490	5,145		
<b>Income (loss) from operations</b>	(3,509)	(3,383)		
Total other income (expense)	3	(125)	(128)	Primarily related to foreign exchange losses and franchise tax payments
<b>Pre-tax income (loss)</b>	(3,506)	(3,508)		
Provision for taxes (benefit)	319	-	(319)	Relates to the sale of the Latin American business to Invekra
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>	\$ (3,187)	\$ (3,508)		
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	619	-	(619)	Relates to the sale of the Latin American business to Invekra
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	(2,568)	(3,508)		
<b>Basic EPS (loss) - continuing ops</b>	\$ (0.76)	\$ (0.82)		
<b>Basic EPS (loss) - discontinued ops</b>	\$ 0.15	\$ -		
	\$ (0.61)	\$ (0.82)		
<b>Diluted EPS (loss) - continuing ops</b>	\$ (0.76)	\$ (0.82)		
<b>Diluted EPS (loss) - discontinued ops</b>	\$ 0.15	\$ -		
	\$ (0.61)	\$ (0.82)		
Basic shares outstanding	4,198	4,294		
Diluted shares outstanding	4,198	4,294		
<b>EBITDA</b>	\$ (2,418)	\$ (2,836)		

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Partners

**BALANCE SHEETS**
**Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands \$)**  
**Fiscal Year: March**
**ASSETS**
**Current Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	7,469	17,461	12,638
Accounts receivable, net	1,508	2,108	2,741
Inventories, net	1,595	2,221	2,380
Prepaid expenses & other	1,505	616	1,304
Current portion of deferred consideration, net	-	237	250
Current assets of discontinued operations	811	-	-

**Total Current Assets**

Property and equipment, net	850	1,239	1,496
Deferred consideration, net, less current portion	-	1,497	1,517
Other assets	65	80	95

**Total Assets**
**LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY**
**Current Liabilities**

Accounts payable	1,337	1,255	774
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,526	1,302	1,546
Deferred revenue	274	521	285
Deferred revenue Invekra	-	-	152
Current portion of LTD	114	123	87
Current portion of capital leases	-	74	139
Taxes payable	-	13	-
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	300	-	-

**Total Current Liabilities**
**Long-Term Liabilities**

Deferred revenue Invekra	-	527	538
LTD, less current portion	-	45	42
Long-term capital leases, less current portion	-	168	252
Long-term liabilities of discontinued operations	112	-	-

**Total Liabilities**
**Stockholders' Equity**

Common stock	1	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	166,368	168,709	169,203
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(3,854)	(4,178)	(3,978)
Accumulated deficit	(152,375)	(143,101)	(146,620)

**Total Stockholders' Equity**
**Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity**
**Ratios**
**Liquidity**

Current Ratio	3.6x	6.9x	6.5x
Quick Ratio	3.0x	6.2x	5.7x
Working Capital	\$9,337	\$19,355	\$16,330

**Leverage**

Debt To Equity	1.1%	0.8%	0.7%
Debt To Capital	1.1%	0.8%	0.7%

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Partners

## INCOME STATEMENTS

### Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

#### Consolidated Statements of Income (\$000s, except per share)

Fiscal Year: March

	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018 E
<b>Revenues</b>			
Product	\$ 8,077	\$ 11,957	\$ 14,987
Product licensing fees and royalties	231	-	1,200
Service	1,061	868	250
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>9,369</b>	<b>12,825</b>	<b>16,437</b>
Cost of revenues			
Product	5,840	6,419	5,923
Service	881	738	236
Total cost of revenues	6,721	7,157	6,159
<b>Gross profit (loss)</b>	<b>2,648</b>	<b>5,668</b>	<b>10,278</b>
Operating expenses			
Research and development	1,806	1,576	1,214
Selling, general and administrative	15,556	17,066	20,375
Total operating expenses	17,362	18,642	21,589
<b>Income (loss) from operations</b>	<b>(14,714)</b>	<b>(12,974)</b>	<b>(11,312)</b>
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense	(3)	(3)	(10)
Interest income	2	22	195
Change in fair value of derivative liability or stock	11	-	-
Tax benefit	-	4,268	-
Other income (expense), net	(20)	18	(168)
Total other income (expense)	(10)	4,305	17
<b>Pre-tax income (loss)</b>	<b>(14,724)</b>	<b>(8,669)</b>	<b>(11,295)</b>
Provision for taxes (benefit)	-	-	-
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>\$ (14,724)</b>	<b>\$ (8,669)</b>	<b>\$ (11,295)</b>
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	4,562	17,943	-
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>(10,162)</b>	<b>9,274</b>	<b>(11,295)</b>
<b>Basic EPS (loss) - continuing ops</b>	<b>\$ (4.48)</b>	<b>\$ (2.03)</b>	<b>\$ (2.52)</b>
<b>Basic EPS (loss) - discontinued ops</b>	<b>\$ 1.39</b>	<b>\$ 4.20</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	<b>\$ (3.09)</b>	<b>\$ 2.17</b>	<b>\$ (2.52)</b>
<b>Diluted EPS (loss) - continuing ops</b>	<b>\$ (4.48)</b>	<b>\$ (2.03)</b>	<b>\$ (2.52)</b>
<b>Diluted EPS (loss) - discontinued ops</b>	<b>\$ 1.39</b>	<b>\$ 4.20</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	<b>\$ (3.09)</b>	<b>\$ 2.17</b>	<b>\$ (2.52)</b>
Basic shares outstanding*	3,289	4,270	4,485
Diluted shares outstanding*	3,289	4,270	4,485
Adjusted EBITDA	(12,447)	(10,483)	(8,762)

### Margin Analysis

Gross margin	28.3%	44.2%	62.5%
Research and development	19.3%	12.3%	7.4%
Selling, general and administrative	166.0%	133.1%	124.0%
Operating margin	-157.0%	-101.2%	-68.8%
EBITDA margin	-132.9%	-81.7%	-53.3%
Pre-tax margin	-157.2%	-67.6%	-68.7%
Net income margin	-157.2%	-67.6%	-68.7%
Tax rate	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

### Growth Rate Analysis Y/Y

Total revenues	n/a	36.9%	28.2%
Total cost of revenues	n/a	6.5%	-13.9%
Research and development	n/a	-12.7%	-23.0%
Selling, general and administrative	n/a	9.7%	19.4%
Operating income	n/a	11.8%	12.8%
Adjusted EBITDA	n/a	15.8%	16.4%
Pre-tax income	n/a	41.1%	-30.3%
Net income	n/a	41.1%	-30.3%
EPS - fully diluted	n/a	54.7%	-24.1%
Share count - fully diluted	n/a	29.8%	5.0%

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Partners estimates

\*Adjusted for reverse stock split June 2016 1-for-5



## VALUATION

As of mid-2014, CEO Jim Schutz described the Company's operations as "a mile wide and an inch deep." Financial results were suffering, and management was struggling to define the direction of the business. As a result, Sonoma put in place a new long-term strategic plan that included an overhaul of the management team as well as some housekeeping related to its Board of Directors. The Company decided to focus on the dermatology market going forward and to launch its own direct US salesforce. Now, having just finished Q1 FY18, Sonoma is reaping the benefits of its significant turnaround, recently reporting total revenues up 49% for the first quarter over the same period last year, led by growth in US dermatology and acute care markets and in products sold to new owner of Latin American assets, and noting a growth rate of 66% year-over-year for dermatology prescriptions filled at the pharmacy counter. Additionally, at 6/30/17 the Company reported approximately \$12M+ in cash on hand, minimal debt, and an intention to launch several additional products over the upcoming year.

Looking ahead, we believe that Sonoma has positioned itself for strong growth in the dermatology market. Per the summary comparables analysis detailed below, on an EV/R basis, SNOA trades at 0.2x vs. the median of its peers at 34.5x based on the FY18 revenue estimates.

*Exhibit 9: Comparables Analysis (\$mm except per share information)*

Name	Ticker	Price	Sh	Mrkt Cap	EV	Revenues	
						2018E	
Achaogen, Inc.	AKAO	\$ 13.25	42.2	\$ 559.5	\$ 355.0	\$	17.1
Cempra, Inc.	CEMP	\$ 3.10	52.5	\$ 162.8	\$ (12.2)	\$	14.3
China Pharma Holdings, Inc.	CPHI	\$ 0.16	43.6	\$ 7.0	\$ 19.3		n/a
Imprimis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	IMMY	\$ 1.55	20.1	\$ 31.1	\$ 40.3		n/a
MyoKardia, Inc.	MYOK	\$ 38.30	35.5	\$ 1,358.9	\$ 1,225.6	\$	28.0
Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	PRTK	\$ 24.40	27.8	\$ 677.3	\$ 551.0	\$	21.8
SCYNEXIS, Inc.	SCYX	\$ 2.20	26.7	\$ 58.8	\$ 23.9	\$	0.3
Tetraphase Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	TTPH	\$ 6.87	51.1	\$ 350.7	\$ 232.5	\$	5.2
Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	TTNP	\$ 2.05	21.2	\$ 43.5	\$ 35.1	\$	3.5

<b>Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*</b>	<b>SNOA</b>	<b>\$4.84</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>\$ 20.8</b>	<b>\$ 3.6</b>	<b>\$ 16.4</b>
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SCYNEXIS, Inc.	SCYX	\$ 2.20	26.7	\$ 58.8	\$ 23.9		77.1x
Tetraphase Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	TTPH	\$ 6.87	51.1	\$ 350.7	\$ 232.5		44.5x
Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	TTNP	\$ 2.05	21.2	\$ 43.5	\$ 35.1		10.0x

Average **36.9x**  
 Median **34.5x**

<b>Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*</b>	<b>SNOA</b>	<b>\$ 4.84</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>\$ 20.8</b>	<b>\$ 3.6</b>	<b>0.2x</b>
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*\*Estimates are from Capital IQ and Stonegate Capital Partners (for SNOA)*

*Source: Company reports, Stonegate Capital Partners*

We also note that since 2008, companies in the dermatology space have been acquired at median EV/S multiple of 3.6x.

*Exhibit 10: Precedent Transactions*

		Price (1)	Revenue	Multiple
<b><u>Acquired Companies</u></b>	<b><u>Acquirer</u></b>			
Steifel Laboratories	Sinclair Pharmaceutical (LON: SPH)	\$ 3,600.0	\$ 1,000	3.6x
Medicis Pharmaceutical	Valeant Pharmaceuticals (TSX: VRX)	\$ 2,600.0	\$ 721	3.6x
Fougera Pharmaceutical	Sandoz, Inc.	\$ 1,525.0	\$ 429	3.6x
PreCision Dermatology	Valeant Pharmaceuticals (TSX: VRX)	\$ 500.0	\$ 130	3.8x
Graceway Pharmaceuticals	Medicis Pharmaceutical	\$ 455.0	\$ 355	1.3x
Aqua Pharmaceuticals	Almiral, S.A. (CAT: ALM)	\$ 402.0	\$ 127	3.2x
SkinMedica	Allergan, Inc.	\$ 350.0	\$ 69	5.1x
Dow Pharmaceutical Sciences	Valeant Pharmaceuticals (TSX: VRX)	\$ 285.0	\$ 45	6.3x
Allergan	Actavis (NYSE: ACT)	\$ 77,000.0	\$ 7,238	10.6x
		<b>Average</b>	<b>4.6x</b>	
		<b>Median</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	
<b>Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</b>				<b>0.2x</b>

(1) Closing price at acquisition

Source: Company reports, CapitalIQ, Stonegate Capital Partners

All figures in \$M except per share information

Following the sale of the Latin American business, we again note that Sonoma still has approximately \$12M+ in cash on hand; therefore, cash value per share alone is approximately \$3 as we consider the current share price of \$4.84 on a company that had over 30% growth in revenues for fiscal 2016 and 2017. Given this and the Company's current multiples vs. those of comparable companies in addition to the SNOA multiple when compared to precedent transactions in the dermatology space, we believe that Sonoma is significantly undervalued at current levels as a company well-positioned to continue capturing high growth in the US dermatology space.

## 2-YEAR TIMELINE

**October 2017** – Loyon® skin descaler commercialized in US

**September 2017** – MicrocynAH® animal healthcare products commercialized in Japan

**June 2017** – SNOA announces two Singapore approvals for Microcyn® for treatment of atopic dermatitis and hypertrophic/keloid scars

**April 2017** – Company receives two new United Arab Emirates regulatory approvals for Pediacy® for atopic dermatitis and Epicyn® for scar management

**March 2017** – Loyon® skin descaler receives FDA approval for the treatment of skin scaling related to dermatoses; Sonoma receives final \$1.5M payment from sale of Latin America business

**February 2017** – PetSmart, Inc. launched MicrocynAH® family of healthcare products with chain-wide availability at 1,500+ stores across North America; SNOA also announced positive results from SebuDerm™ study in treatment of mild to moderate facial and scalp seborrheic dermatitis

**December 2016** – Management announced a corporate name change to Sonoma Pharmaceuticals, Inc. with new ticker SNOA effective 12/6/16

**October 2016** – Company sold Latin American business to Invekra for \$19.5M in cash and 3% annually on Latin American sales outside Mexico with \$250K minimum per year

**August 2016** – Company received approvals for the marketing (launch target of January 2017) of Microcyn® solution and hydrogel in Australia and New Zealand, and new post-dermal procedures product received US FDA approval with an estimated launch of March 2017; Company also launched Lasercyn™ into US markets

**June 2016** – Company announced 1-for-5 reverse split effective after the close of business on June 24th

**May 2016** – Ceramax™ Skin Barrier Cream launched in the US for atopic dermatitis and other dermatoses

**April 2016** – Company announced FDA approval of Lasercyn™ Gel for use following laser procedures, microdermabrasions, and chemical peels; additionally, EU approval received for marketing of Sinudox™ as indicated for use in nasal irrigation

**March 2016** – Sales and distribution agreement with Manna Pro Products, LLC announced, expanding the animal care products channel

**January 2016** – CE Mark issued for MucoClyns™, a Microcyn®-based solution intended for emergencies

**December 2015** – Microcyn®-based SebDerm Gel received FDA clearance as a new prescription therapeutic for dermatologic conditions related to seborrhea and seborrhea dermatitis

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

### **Jim Schutz, J.D., Chief Executive Officer, President and Director** - Jim

Schutz has 20 years of experience in healthcare and was appointed CEO in February 2013. Mr. Schutz was formerly the general counsel of Jomed, Inc. until 2003 when he orchestrated the sale of Jomed to Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) and Volcano Therapeutics (NASDAQ: VOLC, now part of Royal Philips, NYSE: PHG). Mr. Schutz received a B.A. in economics from the University of California, San Diego and a J.D. from the University of San Francisco School of Law.

**Robert Miller, Chief Financial and Operating Officer** - Mr. Robert E. Miller has been the Chief Financial Officer of Sonoma since June 2004, and he serves as its Principal Accounting Officer. Mr. Miller has been Chief Operating Officer and Secretary of Sonoma since February 2013. He has over 20 years of experience as Chief Financial Officer for companies up to \$650 million. Mr. Miller's early career was with Merrill Lynch and Blyth Eastman Dillon, Inc., where he served as Vice President of Investment Banking. Mr. Miller served as Chief Financial Officer for GAF Corporation, Penwest Ltd., Cerus, Ameron, and Bugle Boy, and Treasurer of Mead Corporation. Mr. Miller served as a Consultant to Sonoma from March 2003 to May 2004. Mr. Miller holds a B.A. in Economics from Stanford University and an M.B.A. in Corporate Finance and Accounting from the Columbia University Graduate School of Business.

**Mark Umscheid, Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer** – On January 31, 2017, Sonoma announced the appointment of Marc Umscheid as Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer. Previously, Mr. Umscheid worked at the Clorox Company where he most recently served as senior marketing director and business development team leader. As CSO/CMO at Sonoma, Mr. Umscheid will direct overall global strategy and marketing efforts while facilitating continued revenue growth across the Sonoma Pharmaceutical product portfolio, which includes dermatology, advanced wound care and animal healthcare products. Mr. Umscheid will report directly to Sonoma CEO Jim Schutz. Umscheid is a graduate of Cornell University, where he received both a BS in business management/finance and an MBA from the Johnson Graduate School of Management.

### **Robert Northey, Ph.D., Executive Vice President of Research and Development** - Dr. Robert Northey, Ph.D. serves as Executive Vice President of

Research and Development at Sonoma and served as its Vice President of Research and Development. Dr. Northey served as Director for Research and Development of Sonoma since July 2005. He served as a consultant to Sonoma from May 2001 to June 2005. From August 1998 to June 2005, he was an Assistant Professor in the Paper Science and Engineering Department at the University of Washington. He received a B.S. in wood and fiber science and a Ph.D. in wood chemistry, each from the University of Washington.

### **Board of Directors:**

**James Schutz** – *Chief Executive Officer, President and Director*

**Russell Harrison** – *Independent Director*

**John McLaughlin** – *Lead Independent Director*

**Sharon Surrey-Barbari** – *Independent Director*

**Jay Edward Birnbaum, Ph.D.** – *Independent Director*

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