

S&P Capital IQ Initiates Coverage on MabVax Therapeutics Holdings Inc. in S&P Capital IQ Factual Stock Reports

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NEW YORK, Feb. 26, 2015 /[PRNewswire](#)/ -- S&P Capital IQ (MHFI) announced today that it has commenced [Factual Stock Report coverage on MabVax Therapeutics Holdings Inc.](#)

MabVax Therapeutics Holdings, Inc. (MBVX) is a clinical stage biotechnology company focused on the development of vaccine and antibody-based therapies to address unmet medical needs in the treatment of cancer. MabVax has discovered a pipeline of human monoclonal antibody products based on the protective immune responses generated by patients who have been immunized against targeted cancers. On May 12, 2014, the company, which was then known as Telik, Inc., entered into a merger agreement with MabVax Therapeutics, Inc., a privately held cancer immunotherapy company. On July 8, 2014, the parties completed the merger. Telik subsequently adopted the title MabVax Therapeutics Holdings, Inc.

MabVax generates its pipeline of antibody-based product candidates from patients who have been vaccinated with the propriety vaccines the company has licensed from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC). The company believes that its approach of surveying the protective immune response from many patients to identify the ideal monoclonal antibody candidate against a specific target on the surface of a cancer cell is a novel next-generation human antibody technology platform.

MabVax has concluded manufacturing agreements with Patheon to manufacture its lead antibody candidate, 5B1, under GMP conditions allowing MabVax to enter Phase I clinical trials in late-2015. The company has completed its preclinical development and evaluation program and believes that the study results justify its moving into GMP manufacturing and subsequent clinical development for this promising fully human monoclonal antibody.

MabVax has collaborated with Heidelberg Pharm to test an antibody drug conjugate using the company's 5B1 antibody and Heidelberg's linker and toxin technology in the treatment of pancreatic cancer. The results of both the *in vitro* and *in vivo* experiments are supportive of moving the project forward, according to MabVax.

The advanced preclinical study results of the company's work in tumor imaging using its lead antibody candidate, 5B1, conjugated to a radiolabel were published in the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*. MabVax

applied for and received a contract from the National Institutes of Health for the development of a next generation antibody based PET imaging agent for pancreatic cancer.

The company's therapeutic vaccines were developed at MSKCC and exclusively licensed to MabVax. Its lead cancer vaccines targeting recurrent sarcoma and ovarian cancer are in proof of concept Phase II multi-center clinical trials. A vaccine to address the orphan disease neuroblastoma has completed an initial Phase I trial at MSKCC yielding encouraging results. The vaccine product will be ready for a Phase II trial in the second half of 2015. MSKCC along with MabVax have completed additional Phase I vaccine clinical trials in melanoma, ovarian cancer, small cell lung cancer, and neuroblastoma over the last four years.

In the past year, MabVax has achieved full enrollment of both its sarcoma and ovarian cancer vaccine Phase II clinical trials. The company is following patients for assessment of the key overall survival (OS) endpoint. The company expects that a sufficient number of events will be reached in the first half of 2016 to allow for assessment of the OS endpoint. The company's discussions with FDA at the time MabVax developed the protocols for its vaccine trials indicated that the OS endpoint was the primary evaluation criteria for evaluation of the efficacy and safety of the vaccines.

The results of the Phase I trial with the company's neuroblastoma study were published in *Clinical Cancer Research*. MabVax states the study report describes a very encouraging result with a small cohort of difficult-to-treat patients who had repeatedly relapsed prior to beginning MabVax' treatment regimen. MabVax received an Orphan Drug Designation status for the neuroblastoma vaccine in September of 2014.

On September 10, 2014, MabVax announced that it had entered into agreements with MSKCC and Juno Therapeutics for the development of novel therapeutic products using antibody targeting sequences derived from the fully human antibodies discovered using the company's internally developed antibody discovery platform.

MabVax Therapeutics Holdings, Inc. is based in San Diego, California.

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