#### 18th November 2016

#### Healthcare

# **Morphosys**

# Price EUR44.85

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Guselkumab filed for US approval. FV slightly revised up.

Fair Value EUR65 vs. EUR64 (+45%)

**BUY** 

## **ANALYSIS**

- Guselkumab filed for approval. MOR yesterday announced that Janssen has submitted a BLA to
  the FDA for guselkumab (anti-IL23p19) as a treatment for plaque psoriasis. The event has triggered
  a milestone payment that should amount to c.EUR5m in our view. Having said that, both MOR and
  Janssen have previously stated that a filing was scheduled by year end, so the news was widely
  expected.
- Likely approval in late 2017. Given the timing and the absence of a Priority Review (not specified in the press releases at any rate), an approval is therefore very likely in Q4 2017 or in Q1 2018 at the latest.
- Diving into the details: all the other Phase III studies are probably positive. Janssen's press
  release clearly stated that the dossier included the VOYAGE 1 study (see our previous comment
  here for further details) as well as other Phase III studies (VOYAGE 2, NAVIGATE), meaning the
  latter were arguably positive. And given data consistency from previous trials (VOYAGE 1 and
  XPLORE), we believe they are probably in line with what we saw earlier.

## **VALUATION**

• We stick to our BUY rating with a FV of EUR65 vs EUR64 (our PoS for guselkumab in plaque psoriasis being revised up from 70% to 80% to reflect 1/ the likely positive results from VOYAGE 2 and NAVIGATE; 2/ its filing for approval in the US).

#### **NEXT CATALYSTS**

- 2016 ASH meeting (3-6th December): Follow-up data for MOR202 in myeloma + MOR208 in DLBCL.
- Q4 2016: Read-across from Lilly's solanezumab for the treatment of Mild Alzheimer's Dementia (but note that we are cautious on this one, see our initiation report for additional details).

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