

Pharma Q3FY23 Result Preview

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In Q3FY23, the Pharma sector is expected to benefit from positive attributes such as currency depreciation, fall in raw material prices, low crude prices, and correction in shipping prices which would aid in revenue growth and improvement in gross margins. We expect the Pharma universe under our coverage to report healthy aggregate Revenue/EBITDA/PAT growth of 7.4%/9.5%/9.1% YoY. 8% depreciation in the Indian currency (Rs) may majorly contribute to the overall growth of 7.4% for the last quarter. Low single-digit growth in the US market (due to intense competition) and low double-digit growth in the India business after Covid-19 business has now stabilised. Single-digit revenue growth may be observed in Europe and the International market in Q3FY23.

The US aggregate revenue is expected to grow by 6% YoY despite high singledigit price erosion in the industry, which was only partially offset by the launch of new products. Currency depreciation may add revenue growth of 8.0% YoY for the US business. In India, IPM delivered strong growth of 12% for Q3FY23 YoY. This strong growth was witnessed in key therapies such as Respiratory (+17% YoY), Derma (+13% YoY) and Gynaecological (+17% YoY) while cardiac and diabetics grew by 11% and 7% respectively.

The price index of API/KSM that comprises the top 15 APIs imported from China which is majorly used as raw material by Pharma companies indicates aggregate prices fall of ~7% QoQ but a growth of 14% YoY respectively. We believe raw

material prices have peaked with an 11% fall in the last month from the peak (as prices for organic chemicals and solvents have already corrected in the last 4 months). Similarly, crude prices and shipping rates in Q3FY23 have corrected from the peak, and may thereby improve the profitability of Pharma companies moving forward. The above factors may improve aggregate EBITDA margins by 50bps YoY for Q3FY23 for the Pharma companies.

We expect companies such as Dr Reddy, CIPLA, Abbott India, and HCG may surpass the industry growth due to a superior product portfolio and strong product pipeline for the future. In hospitals, HCG is expected to deliver higher occupancies and realisations as the company is gaining market share consistently.

Abbott India: We expect Abbott India to report revenue growth of 15% vs. The IPM growth of 12% for Q3FY23 which is based on a strong uptick in the Hormones and Gastro segments. Abbott India has strong pricing power which would aid in improving its gross margins moving forward.

DR REDDY: Stable MS in the prescription volume of gVascepa, gCiprodex, and gSuboxone while gVasostrict is losing the MS with the entry of 3 new players in the US market. In India, DRREDDY reported a growth of 11% YoY for Q3FY23 led by growth in therapies like Derma and Pain.



DRRD	Dec-22	Dec-22	Dec-22	Dec-22	Dec-22	Nov-22	Nov-22	Nov-22	Nov-22	Oct-22	Oct-22	Oct-22
gCiprodex	35.4%	35.1%	37.4%	38.4%	38.1%	35.0%	33.8%	34.4%	35.0%	38.6%	40.4%	38.8%
gSuboxone	12.9%	13.6%	13.1%	13.3%	13.0%	13.6%	13.1%	13.2%	13.1%	13.4%	13.2%	13.1%
gVascepa	15.3%	16.5%	16.6%	16.3%	16.0%	16.2%	16.0%	15.9%	15.8%	16.0%	16.3%	15.5%
gRevlimid	6.9%	10.2%	20.3%	23.2%	26.9%	26.0%	20.5%	22.3%	22.6%	21.0%	7.0%	2.7%

DR REDDY (Weekly Prescription) Market Share (MS) in key molecules. gRevlimid MS reaches to normal level after taking one time flip in last quarter.

Source: Symphony, ASL Research; Note: * = market share based on TRx, Weekly Prescription

DR REDDY: MS in Vasostrict is on lower side due to entry of 3 new players in last quarter Aurobindo, AMNEAL and AMPHASTAR in the last quarter

DRRD	Nov-22	Oct-22	Sep-22	Aug-22	Jul-22	Jun-22	May-22	Apr-22	Mar-22	Feb-22	Jan-22	Dec-21
gVasostrict	0.09%	0.18%	0.28%	0.38%	0.71%	0.99%	0.81%	1.02%	2.04%	1.73%	0.00%	0.00%

Source: Symphony, ASL Research; Note: * = market share based on IUs

Biocon Ltd: In Q3FY23, the Integrated Units data (IUs) for Biosimilars in the US market indicated that BIOCON' Market Share (MS) has improved in Fulphila and Ogivri while Semgle' volume has reduced with the entry of new players. However, we believe the lower base and an uptick in the emerging markets may add revenue growth for Biocon in the last quarter.

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Biocon	Nov-22	Oct-22	Sep-22	Aug-22	Jul-22	Jun-22	May-22	Apr-22	Mar-22	Feb-22	Jan-22	Dec-21
Fulphila	11.31%	10.72%	10.71%	9.58%	9.30%	8.21%	8.41%	8.09%	8.07%	7.89%	7.78%	8.05%
Ogivri	10.37%	9.72%	9.66%	9.29%	9.80%	8.74%	7.50%	7.28%	11.88%	14.86%	11.80%	13.09%
Semglee	0.02%	0.03%	0.04%	0.04%	0.05%	0.06%	0.07%	0.09%	0.13%	0.20%	0.33%	0.54%

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CIPLA Ltd: CIPLA has a stable market share (MS) in Albuterol while it is gaining market share in Brovana. The company is building market share in Lanreotide injections gradually. We believe, Albuterol, Lanreotide, gRevlimid, and Brovana will keep stable sales of \$190 Mn in the US market.

CIPLA	Nov-22	Oct-22	Sep-22	Aug-22	Jul-22	Jun-22	May-22	Apr-22	Mar-22	Feb-22	Jan-22	Dec-21
Albuterol	29.6%	29.0%	28.9%	31.7%	33.6%	33.6%	35.0%	33.8%	32.2%	32.0%	32.3%	28.0%
Lanreotide	13.83%	11.96%	10.19%	9.34%	7.96%	4.97%	4.22%	3.46%	1.86%	2.56%	0.00%	0.00%
Brovana	37.50%	37.18%	35.86%	35.01%	33.91%	32.29%	30.68%	30.72%	28.36%	29.04%	28.28%	26.48%

CIPLA: Improvement in MS of Lanreotide and Brovana while stable MS in Albuterol.

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API/KSM (Raw Material): The price index of API/KSM, comprising the top 15 APIs imported from China and majorly used as raw material by Pharma Companies, indicates that aggregate prices have fallen by 7% QoQ and grew by 14% YoY respectively. We believe raw material prices to have peaked with an 11% fall in the last month from the peak as prices for organic chemicals and solvents have already corrected in the last 4 months. Similarly, in Q3FY23, crude prices and shipping rates have corrected from the peak which may improve the profitability of Pharma companies moving forward. The above factors may improve aggregate EBITDA margins by 50bps YoY for Q3FY23 for the Pharma companies.



API/KSM: The price index of API/KSM that comprises the top 15 APIs imported from China which are majorly used as raw material by Pharma Companies indicates aggregate prices fell by 7% QoQ and grew by 14% YoY respectively.



Source: Pharm compass, ASL Research

API/KSM: List of top 15 APIs imported from China, these are majorly used as raw material by Pharma Companies. The price trends indicate aggregate prices have gone up by 154% YoY in the last quarter. We believe raw material prices have peaked out and have shown an 11% fall in the last month from the peak prices as prices for organic chemicals and solvents have already corrected in the last 5 months.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pencillin G	30	30	28	25	29	51	26	28	28	29	28	33	43	35	55	59	48	39
Azithromycin	108	117	113	106	99	93	91	121	119	118	120	126	127	128	131	128	117	95
Ceftriaxone	74	72	69	67	66	60	57	69	72	70	71	71	69	70	78	92	95	79
Vitamin B1	125	125	140	114	115	103	96	58	65	91	65	75	82	59	57	65	65	57
Amoxicillin	265	222	231	220	210	171	177	193	186	179	170	171	170	170	171	181	189	203
Gabapentin	43	42	42	40	40	36	37	37	37	37	37	36	36	36	31	36	32	33
Artemisinin	189	193	198	198	193	182	172	172	167	161	169	109	193	224	267	270	249	187
Lamivudine	73	94	81	74	81	64	63	59	58	74	107	111	118	104	103	104	94	88
Vitamin E	20	17	16	16	14	16	17	14	14	15	14	17	17	16	19	17	16	16
Meropenem	556	829	795	784	683	746	736	803	825	660	875	979	902	811	1,000	943	835	681
Clarithromycin	154	175	158	152	156	142	139	161	163	162	146	166	164	185	201	218	185	181
Aciclovir	46	42	44	47	56	50	45	46	46	46	43	53	51	42	45	45	46	43
Ibuprofen	15	21	20	20	19	19	17	12	16	14	14	13	11	10	10	12	10	15
Erythromycin	65	66	67	67	64	58	53	55	60	64	64	71	69	70	81	80	78	76
Losartan	69	91	99	104	102	122	122	123	106	108	126	124	130	132	136	129	105	130
APIs/KSM (Avg Price USD/Kg)	122	142	140	136	128	128	123	130	131	122	137	144	145	139	159	159	144	128

Source: Pharma compass, ASL Research



Pharma

Year end March (INR cr.)	Q3FY23	Q2FY23	QoQ(%)	Q3FY22	YoY(%)	Result expectations
Abbott India						
Revenues	1,353	1,379	-1.9%	1,224	10.5%	-
Gross Profit	622	627	-0.8%	576	8.0%	-
Gross margin (%)	46.0	45.5		47.1		→ Revenue growth 10.5% YoY could outpace Industry Growth 7.2% YoY. Gross
EBITDA	319	343	-7.0%	269	18.6%	margins are improving due to fall in raw material prices QoQ
EBITDA margin (%)	23.6	24.9		22.0		-
PAT	243	266	-8.6%	199	22.1%	-
EPS (Rs)	115.7	126.7	-8.6%	94.8	22.1%	-
Aarti Drugs						
Revenues	728	688	5.8%	635	14.6%	-
Gross Profit	227	207	9.7%	215	5.6%	-
Gross margin (%)	31.2	30.1		33.9		→ Commencement of new capacity in Diabities could add growth. Low Raw
EBITDA	87	74	17.6%	90	-3.3%	material prices like APIs & Organic solvent could improve gross margins YoY
EBITDA margin (%)	12.0	10.8		14.2		-
PAT	52	39	34.4%	58	-10.7%	-
EPS (Rs)	5.6	4.2	34.4%	6.3	-10.7%	-
Aurobindo Pharma						
Revenues	5,884	5,739	2.5%	6,002	-2.0%	-
Gross Profit	3,270	3,171	3.1%	3,258	0.4%	-
Gross margin (%)	55.6	55.3		54.3		→ US sales \$350 Mn (-4.5% YoY) due to price erosion. Low Raw material prices
EBITDA	1,000	791	26.4%	1,016	-1.6%	like APIs & Organic solvent could improve gross margins YoY.
EBITDA margin (%)	17.0	13.8		16.9		-
PAT	550	411	33.8%	580	-5.2%	-
FDEPS (Rs)	9.4	7.0	33.8%	9.9	-5.2%	-



Pharma (Cont'd)

Year end March (INR cr.)	Q3FY23	Q2FY23	QoQ(%)	Q3FY22	YoY(%)	Result expectations
Biocon						
Revenues	2,436	2,320	5.0%	2,174	12.1%	
Gross Profit	1,642	1,567	4.8%	1,461	12.4%	-
Gross margin (%)	67.4	67.5		67.2		→ In US, 3 biosimilars are maintainning Market Share. High R&D could impact
EBITDA	521	471	10.6%	488	6.8%	gross margins
EBITDA margin (%)	21.4	20.3		22.4		
PAT	254	127	100.0%	267	-4.9%	
FDEPS (Rs)	2.1	1.1	100.0%	2.2	-4.9%	-
DR REDDY						
Revenues	5,900	6,332	-6.8%	5,338	10.5%	-
Gross Profit	3,800	4,485	-15.3%	3,524	7.8%	
Gross margin (%)	64.4	70.8		66.0		→ Expect USD 269 mn US sales sequentially. Low Raw material prices like
EBITDA	1,320	1,901	-30.6%	1,216	8.6%	APIs & Organic solvent could improve gross margins YoY.
EBITDA margin (%)	22.4	30.0		22.8		
PAT	800	1,115	-28.3%	710	12.7%	
EPS (Rs)	48.2	67.2	-28.3%	42.8	12.7%	-
Lupin Ltd						
Revenues	4,327	4,146	4.4%	4,161	4.0%	_
Gross Profit	2,605	2,433	7.1%	2,466	5.6%	→ Expect USD 165mn US sales added by stable MS in Albuetrol, Solosec &
Gross margin (%)	60.2	58.7		59.3		Levothroxine. EBITDA could improve due to low raw material prices
EBITDA	520	453	14.8%	370	40.5%	_
EBITDA margin (%)	12.0	10.9		8.9		
PAT	210	135	55.6%	125	68.0%	
EPS (Rs)	4.6	3.0	55.6%	2.8	68.0%	_

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Year end March (INR cr.)	Q3FY23	Q2FY23	QoQ(%)	Q3FY22	YoY(%)	Result expectations
Gland Pharma						
Revenues	1,062	1,044	1.7%	1,063	-0.1%	
Gross Profit	552	525	5.1%	560	-1.4%	-
Gross margin (%)	52.0	50.3		52.7		→ Injectibles business in US and other markets could drive sales. EBITDA
EBITDA	324	297	9.1%	349	-7.2%	could improve due to low raw material prices
EBITDA margin (%)	30.5	28.4		32.8		-
PAT	256	242	5.8%	273	-6.2%	-
FDEPS (Rs)	16.5	15.6	5.8%	17.6	-6.2%	-
CIPLA						
Revenues	6,136	5,830	5.2%	5,480	12.0%	-
Gross Profit	3,847	3,668	4.9%	3,335	15.4%	-
Gross margin (%)	62.7	62.9		60.9		➔ Expect USD\$ 190 Mn sales in US market could be driven by gRevlimid,
EBITDA	1,387	1,302	6.5%	1,226	13.1%	Albuterol & Lenotirade.
EBITDA margin (%)	22.6	22.3		22.4		-
PAT	860	798	7.8%	757	13.6%	-
EPS (Rs)	10.7	9.9	7.8%	9.4	13.6%	-
KIMS						
Revenues	564	2.0%	394	45.9%	564	-
Gross Profit	386	16.3%	311	44.4%	386	 Higher Occupancies due to increase in elective surgeries
Gross margin (%)	68.4		78.9		68.4	
EBITDA	153	1.3%	130	19.2%	153	→ High operating leverage due to increase in volume
EBITDA margin (%)	27.1		33.0		27.1	-
PAT	106	-12.3%	84	10.7%	106	-
EPS (Rs)	12.7	-12.3%	10.1	10.7%	12.7	-

Pharma (Cont'd)

Year end March (INR cr.)	Q3FY23	Q2FY23	QoQ (%)	Q3FY22	YoY (%)	Result expectations
HCG						
Revenues	420	0.7%	358	18.2%	420	
Gross Profit	318	0.9%	269	19.3%	318	 Higher Occupancies due to increase in elective surgries
Gross margin (%)	75.7		75.1		75.7	- ···g···· - ···p -···· - ··· - ··· - ··· - ··· - ··· - ··· - g····
EBITDA	75	1.3%	62	22.6%	75	 High operating leverage due to increase in volume
EBITDA margin (%)	17.9		17.3		17.9	
PAT	5	-	(4)	-350.0%	5	
FDEPS (Rs)	0.4	-	(0.3)	-350.0%	0.4	



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