July 1, 2021

SPECULATIVE BUY (no change)

Stock code:	ANP AU
Price:	A\$0.195
12-month target price:	A\$0.441
Previous target price:	A\$0.377
Up/downside to target price:	125.9%
Dividend yield:	0.00%
12-month TSR*:	125.9%
Market cap:	A\$112.0m
Average daily turnover:	A\$0.32m
Index inclusion:	N/A

Total stock return - Up/downside to target price + 12-month forward dividend yield.

Price performance

(%)	1M	3M	12M	3Y
Absolute	-4.9	-7.2	163.5	680
Rel ASX/S&P200	-6.8	-15.7	139.5	661.9



Financial summary

	Jun-20A	Jun-21F	Jun-22F	Jun-23F
Revenue (A\$m)	3.65	6.35	2.85	0.00
EBITDA Norm (A\$m)	-6.19	-7.99	-22.79	-8.03
Net Profit (A\$m)	-5.23	-7.81	-22.69	-7.74
EPS Norm (A\$)	-0.012	-0.015	-0.033	-0.010
EPS Growth Norm (%)	-1847%	28%	125%	-71%
P/E Norm (x)	NA	NA	NA	NA
DPS (A\$)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Dividend Yield (%)	0%	0%	0%	0%
EV/EBITDA (x)	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gearing (Net Debt/EBITDA)	0.66	0.68	0.64	0.67

Source: Company data, Morgans estimates

Related research

ANP (SPEC BUY - TP A\$0.38) - 28 Apr 2021 ANP (SPEC BUY - TP A\$0.377) - 25 Feb 2021

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Compelling data package being built

- ANP has announced a collaboration with the Murdoch Children's Research Institute (MCRI) to explore use of ATL1102 in further immune-mediated inflammatory muscle diseases after additional positive data in DMD animal models.
- Recent animal model data produced allows the company to assess its drug in combination with existing DMD treatments, in particular the gene therapy drugs which look to restore dystrophin levels.
- Details regarding potential new indications for its lead drug remain commercial-inconfidence until further data derived from a number of new programs emerges to provide greater patent protection.
- The broadening of the indication adds value (either as a spin-out, partner, or as a broader rare-disease package), although still theoretical at this point given the number of unknowns and we continue to reserve these ex-DMD indications as further upside to our valuation.
- In a nod to what we view as a high level of internal confidence in the value of insights being generated from the mode of action and biological activity of the drug throughout the blood plasma analysis, ANP has already commenced plans for additional patent protection and presentations at scientific conferences in 2H21.
- We remain positive on the name ahead of a catalyst rich 12-24 months. Our basecase price target increases to A\$0.44 (from A\$0.38) and Speculative Add recommendation is maintained.

Event: Collaboration, reg feedback, data supporting additional indications

- In recent weeks, a number of major catalysts have come to pass including information on new indications and preliminary feedback from the two major regulatory authorities (FDA Type-C / EMA PIP), and an FDA fast-track submission.
- Feedback from the authorities was broadly supportive with concessions on FDA's requirement for usual 12 month tox data (ANP has 6 month data) to 9 month and included the ability to run these studies concurrently in the Ph2b/3 trial provided a draft tox report is submitted before patient dosing exceeds 6 months.
- The EMA's advisory committee feedback suggests the regulator's interest in seeing the trial design prior to design submission. Our view is that this is most likely a desire to see ambulant (ability to walk) boys being included in protocols which does add risk (to date untested), but also adds a further 50% in addressable market.

Analysis: Driven by data

- Interest in the story will be driven by regulatory progression and partnering potential, which in turn is driven by data. The depth and breadth of ANP's clinical/non-clinical data has increased substantially over the past 24 months and with positive data expected from additional animal and human plasma studies to drive a better understanding into the mechanism of action (MOA) and new indications, it's beginning to look like a compelling package.
- A hint in the data suggesting potential use in combination with dystrophin restoration drugs was particularly interesting. Questions around efficacy for these treatments remains, while a number of sources suggest inflammation may play a functional role in the newly produced dystrophin not being able to penetrate the muscles effectively and lowering functional efficacy rates being observed in these patients.

Forecast and valuation update:

No changes to forecasts. We roll forward the model, and our base-case valuation increases to A\$0.44 (from A\$0.38). Unrisked valuation remains at A\$1.82.

Investment view:

■ While considerable trial risk and hurdles remain, we view ANP as one of the best risk/reward plays in the healthcare space given the data produced to date and heading into a catalyst rich 12-24 month period.

Price catalysts:

Outcome of FDA fast track decision (late August 2021), Ph2/3 trial submissions.

- Prolonged delays in trial recruitment and commencement.
- Failure of DMD in Ph2b program.



Antisense Therapeutics

as at July 1, 2021

Rating	SPECULATIVE BUY	Price (A\$):	0.195
Market cap (A\$m):	112.0	12-month target price (A\$):	0.441
Shares outstanding (m):	574.0	Up/downside to target price (%):	125.9
Free float (%):	100.0	Dividend yield (%):	0.00

Company description

Antisense Therapeutics Limited, a biopharmaceutical company, engages in the research and development of novel antisense pharmaceuticals in Australia. Its product pipeline comprises ATL1102, an antisense inhibitor of CD49d that has completed Phase IIa for the treatment of multiple sclerosis, Duchennes Muscular Dystrophy, acromegaly, asthma, and other inflammatory indications. The company's product pipeline also includes ATL1103, a second generation antisense drug designed to block growth hormone receptor expression thereby reducing levels of the hormone insulin-like growth factor-I in the blood, as well as to treat diseases associated with excessive growth hormone action that has completed Phase II clinical trial.

Market considerations for ATL1102 **ANTI-INFLAMATORY CORTICOSTEROIDS** Anti-Inflammatory The global steroid market Therapeutics Market^ is is forecast to attain the expected to garner value of US\$17 Billion by US\$106.1 billion by 2020 the end of 2025 (Allied Market Research) (QV Research) **DMD THERAPIES** The global DMD drug market is expected to reach over US\$4 Billion by 2023 (Grand View Research)

Near-term milestones (CY21)

* ATL1102 drug product manufacture - ACHIEVED

* ATL1102 in new indications - IN PROGRESS

US FDA DMD progress - IN PROGRESS

ATL1102 DMD Ph2b EU trial prep and initiation - IN PROGRESS

PRODUCT INDICATION RESEARCH PRECLINICAL PHASE II PHASE III

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ATL1102 mechanism of action

SOURCE: ANTISENSE THERAPEUTICS

SOURCE: CureFFi.org

Mechanism of translation inhibition by ASOs

translation initiation factor

ASO mRNA

- ASO binds near start codon
- · ASO sterically blocks translation initiation machinery or ribosome

SOURCE: ANTISENSE THERAPEUTIC MARKET DATA 48.0 Population of target market ('000s) Regulatory approval weight 25.0% Non-ambulant population 50.0% Number of Cases Forecast for Year 1 ('000s) 6.0 0.70% Annual Population Growth Peak Market Penetration 50.0% Revenue Per Unit (\$US) \$ 150,000 Market Ramp Time to Peak Penetration (Years Hold peak 10 Life cycle of drug 20 Royalty Rate 20.0%

Key Drivers

Licencing deal value for late stage assets

Potential for early commercialisation

Key risks:

Timing / execution risks

Trial risks

Alternative therapies

COVID-19 related impact

Funding risk

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Figure 1: Financial summary

Income statement		2020 4	2024	20225	20225	Clasina miss (Aft)	0.405	Duine tour	- + (AC)		0.44
Income statement	2019A	2020A 0.0	2021F 0.0	2022F	2023F	Closing price (A\$) Valuation metrics	0.195	Price targ	et (A\$)	<u> </u>	0.44
Milestone payments	0.0			0.0	0.0				Tor	ant Drinn	PO 44
Royalty R&D rebate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Methodology -DCF-PER Comp)		Tal	get Price	\$0.44
	3.0 3.0	3.6 3.6	6.3 6.3	2.9 2.9	0.0	DCF valuation inputs	3.50%				
Total revenue EBITDA	0.0	-6.2	-8.0	-22.8	-8.0	Rf Rm-Rf	6.00%				
Associate income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Beta	1.53				
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		12.7%				
Depreciation EBITA	0.0	-6.2	-8.0	-22.8	-8.0	CAPM (Rf+Beta(Rm-Rf)) E/EV*Ke+D/EV*Kd(1-t)	12.7%	NE	PV cash flo	νι (Λ¢m)	247.4
Amortisation/impairment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Equity (E/EV)	100.0%		ority intere		0.0
EBIT	0.0	-6.2	-8.0	-22.8	-8.0	Debt (D/EV)	0.0%	IVIIII	-	bt (A\$m)	-5.5
EBIT(incl associate profit)	0.0	-6.2	-8.0	-22.8	-8.0	Interest rate	5.00%		Investmen		0.0
		0.3		-0.2							
Net interest expense/FX	0.0		1.0		-0.1	Tax rate (t)	30.0%		market valu		252.9
Pre-tax profit	0.3 0.0	-5.2	-8.2	-22.9	-8.3	WACC	12.7%	Dilute	d no. of sh	valuation	574.0
Income tax expense									DCF	valuation	\$0.44
After-tax profit	0.3	-5.2	-8.2	-22.9	-8.3	Multiples	2040.4	20204	20245	20225	2022
Minority interests	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Multiples	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
NPAT	0.3	-5.2	-8.2	-22.9	-8.3	Enterprise value (A\$m)	109.0	107.9	106.5	97.3	106.5
Significant items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	EV/Sales (x)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
NPAT post abnormals	0.3	-5.2	-8.2	-22.9	-8.3	EV/EBITDA (x)	n.a.	-17.4	-13.3	-4.3	-13.3
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Cash flow statement	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F	PE (pre-goodwill) (x)	314.2	-18.5	-14.3	-6.8	-20.0
EBITDA	0.0	-6.2	-8.0	-22.8	-8.0	PEG (pre-goodwill) (x)	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Other cash items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			00001	0004	0000	0000
Net interest (pd)/rec	-0.3	-1.0	0.2	0.1	0.3	At target price	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
Taxes paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	EV/EBITDA (x)	-114686.8	-17.4	-13.3	-4.3	-13.3
Change in working capital	-2.7	3.3	0.9	0.0	-1.5	PE (pre-goodwill) (x)	709.8	-41.7	-32.4	-15.5	-45.3
Cash flow from ops (1)	-2.9	-4.0	-6.9	-22.7	-9.2						
Capex (2)	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	Per share data	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
Disposals/(acquisitions)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	No. shares	420.1	488.8	574.0	796.0	796.0
Other investing cash flow	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	EPS (cps)	0.1	-1.1	-1.4	-2.9	-1.0
Cash flow from invest (3)	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	EPS (normalised) (c)	0.1	-1.1	-1.4	-2.9	-1.0
Incr/(decr) in equity	1.5	5.2	8.3	30.0	0.0	Dividend per share (c)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Incr/(decr) in debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Dividend payout ratio (%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Ordinary dividend paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Dividend yield (%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Preferred dividends (4)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
Other financing cash flow	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Growth ratios	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
Cash flow from fin (5)	1.5	5.2	8.3	30.0	0.0	Sales growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Forex and disc ops (6)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Operating cost growth	n.a.	n.a.	29.0%	185.3%	-64.8%
Inc/(decr) cash (1+3+5+6)	-1.4	1.1	1.4	7.3	-9.2	EBITDA growth	n.a.	n.a.	-29.1%	-185.1%	64.8%
Equity FCF (1+2+4)	-2.9	-4.1	-6.9	-22.7	-9.2	EBITA growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
						EBIT growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Balance sheet	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F	NPAT growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Cash & deposits	2.9	4.1	5.5	14.6	5.4	Pre-goodwill NPAT growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Trade debtors	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.0	Pre-goodwill EPS growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Normalised EPS growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
Goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Operating performance	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
Other intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Asset turnover (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fixed assets	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	EBITDA margin (%)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Other assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	EBIT margin (%)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Total assets	3.7	5.4	7.1	15.7	6.0	Net profit margin (%)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Short-term borrowings	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Return on net assets (%)	0.0	-136.0	-158.5	-184.5	-174.1
Trade payables	0.6	0.3	1.6	2.8	0.9	Net debt (A\$m)	-2.9	-4.1	-5.5	-14.6	-5.4
Long-term borrowings	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Net debt/equity (%)	-103.3	-89.1	-108.4	-118.1	-116.8
Provisions	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	Net interest/EBIT cover (x)	0.0	23.7	7.7	-123.9	-73.5
Other liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	· ·					
Total liabilities	0.9	0.8	2.1	3.3	1.4						
Share capital	63.9	69.1	77.4	107.4	107.4	Internal liquidity	2019A	2020A	2021F	2022F	2023F
Other reserves	0.0	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	Current ratio (x)	3.3	5.1	2.6	4.4	3.9
Retained earnings	-61.1	-67.0	-74.8	-97.5	-105.3	Receivables turnover (x)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Payables turnover (x)	0.0	14.7	8.6	10.4	4.4
Total equity	2.8	4.6	5.0	12.4	4.6	.,,	3.0				
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
Total shareholders' equity	2.8	4.6	5.0	12.4	4.6						
Total liabilities & SE	3.7	5.4	7.1	15.7	6.0						
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Source: Morgans estimates, company data



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