

The Berke Report

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In a Fast-Moving Industry, Stay Up-to-Date on the Happenings. Here is a Glimpse of Our Favorite Stories from December 2022.

Funding Updates:

- 12.01.22 Lundbeck-partnered preclinical biotech nabs Series A from AstraZeneca (Endpts)
- 12.05.22 Karyopharm Announces \$165 Million Private Placement (PR)
- 12.06.22 Entact Bio Emerges With \$81M to Play Matchmaker to Protein-Enhancing Drugs (Medcitynews)
- 12.06.22 Bouncing from major setback, Summit hands out \$500M cash for cancer drug thanks to a loan from billionaire CEO (Endpts)
- 12.06.22 Baudax Bio Announces Closing of \$5 Million Public Offering (PR)
- 12.06.22 Vega Therapeutics launches and unveils its first-in-class antibody therapy for von Willebrand disease at ASH Annual Meeting (PR)
- 12.06.22 Entact Bio Launches with \$81 Million Series A to Develop Precision Medicines for Targeted Protein Enhancement (PR)
- 12.07.22 Apogee Therapeutics Launches with \$169 Million to Develop Potentially Best-in-Class Therapies for Immunological and Inflammatory Disorders (PR)
- 12.08.22 Eigen Therapeutics Emerges From Stealth With \$7M in Funding to Develop Therapies That Address Cancer Heterogeneity (PR)
- 12.12.22 CF Foundation Invests Up to \$4.85 Million in Aridis Pharmaceuticals for Testing of Anti-Infective (PR)
- 12.12.22 Black Diamond Therapeutics Announces Spinout of Launchpad Therapeutics, Inc., an Antibody-Focused Precision Oncology Company (<u>PR</u>)
- 12.13.22 Flagship Pioneering Unveils Montai Health to Treat and Preempt Chronic Disease Afflicting Two Billion People Worldwide (PR)
- 12.14.22 Alpha-9 Theranostics Announces Oversubscribed \$75 Million Series B Financing to Advance Portfolio of Radiopharmaceuticals for Cancer (PR)
- 12.15.22 Enlaza Therapeutics Launches with \$61 Million Seed Financing to Advance the First Covalent Biologic Therapeuti Platform (PR)
 12.16.22 Evelo Biosciences Announces \$45 Million Loan Agreement with Horizon Technology Finance Corporation to
- 12.16.22 Evelo Biosciences Announces \$45 Million Loan Agreement with Horizon Technology Finance Corporation to Refinance Existing Debt (<u>PR</u>)
- 12.21.22 Madrigal Pharmaceuticals Announces \$300+ Million in Financing Events to Advance Resmetirom Program (PR)
- 12.23.22 TERNS ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF PUBLIC OFFERING OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK, INCLUDING FULL EXERCISE OF UNDERWRITERS' OPTION TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL SHARES (PR)

Collaboration Updates:

- 12.08.22 Vertex and Entrada Therapeutics Establish Collaboration to Discover and Develop Endosomal Escape Vehicle (EEV) Therapeutics for Myotonic Dystrophy Type 1(DM1)(PR)
- 12.12.22 Watch out, Amgen. Mirati kicks off KRAS showdown with FDA approval for Krazati (fiercepharma)
- 12.13.22 Praxis Precision Medicines and UCB Announce Epilepsy Research Collaboration (PR)
- 12.14.22 PrecisionLife Enters Multi-Target R&D Partnership with Ono Pharmaceutical (ContractPharma)
- 12.15.22 AbCellera, Abbvie Enter Strategic Antibody Alliance (ContractPharma)
- 12.19.22 Biogen Reaches Agreement with Genentech to Receive Royalties on the Potential Commercialization of a Late-Stage Bispecific Antibody as Part of Anti-CD20 Collaboration (PR)
- 12.21.22 Zymeworks sings to the tune of \$325M with Jazz opt-in for HER2 cancer drug (Endpts)
- 12.23.22 Mersana Inks Cancer Therapy Development Deal With Merck Germany (Yahoofinance)
- 12.13.22 Takeda to Acquire Late-Stage, Potential Best-in-Class, Oral Allosteric TYK2 Inhibitor NDI-034858 From Nimbus Therapeutics (PR)
- 12.14.22 Say goodbye to Vallon as a low-profile NKT cell startup steps into its battered shoes on Nasdag (Endpts)
- 12.12.22 Updated: Horizon's \$28B sale to Amgen was kicked off by Sanofi's interest (Endpts)
- 12.14.22 Novartis, busy with its restructuring, sells 5 eye drugs for up to \$175M (Fiercepharma)
- 12.20.22 KKR to Acquire Bushu Pharmaceuticals (PR)
- 12.27.22 Gilead to Acquire All Remaining Rights to Potential First-in-Class Immunotherapy GS-1811 From Jounce Therapeutics (PR)

Clinical and Commerical Updates:

- 12.01.22 Rigel Announces U.S. FDA Approval of REZLIDHIA[™] for the Treatment of Adult Patients with Relapsed or Refractory Acute Myeloid Leukemia with a Susceptible IDH1 Mutation (PR)
- 12.01.22 Otsuka and Sunovion Initiate Clinical Development of Ulotaront for the Adjunctive Treatment of Major Depressive Disorder (PR)
- 12.05.22 Syndax Pharmaceuticals and Incyte Announce Axatilimab Phase 1/2 Data in Patients with Chronic Graft-Versus-Host Disease Published in the Journal of Clinical Oncology (<u>PR</u>)
- 12.07.22 With clear PhII win in IBD, Prometheus thwarts Pfizer comparisons as it follows Humira 'playbook' (Endpts)
- 12.13.22 Erasca Announces FDA Clearance of IND Application for CNS-Penetrant KRAS G12C Inhibitor ERAS-3490 in KRAS G12C-Mutated Advanced or Metastatic Solid Tumors (<u>PR</u>)
- 12.13.22 Moderna vaccine succeeds in early-stage skin cancer study with Merck's Keytruda (Biopharmadive)
- 12.15.22 Ocugen Announces OCU400 Receives Orphan Drug Designations for Retinitis Pigmentosa and Leber Congenital Amaurosis (<u>PR</u>)
- 12.15.22 Kintara Therapeutics Receives Orphan Drug Designation for VAL-083 for Treatment of Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) (PR)
- 12.19.22 Ferring grabs first gene therapy approval in bladder cancer (Pharmamanufacturing)
- 12.20.22 Amneal Announces 26 Generic New Product Launches in 2022 and First Injection Large Volume Bag Approval (PR)
- 12.20.22 Astellas, Seagen and Merck Announce FDA Acceptance of Supplemental Biologics License Applications for PADCEV® with KEYTRUDA® for the First-Line Treatment of Certain Patients With Locally Advanced or Metastatic Urothelial Cancer (PR)
- 12.29.22 Vericel Announces FDA Approval of NexoBrid for the Treatment of Severe Thermal Burns in Adults (PR)

CDMO & Manufacturing Updates:

- 12.01.22 August Bioservices Closes \$65M Series B (PR)
- 12.08.22 The CDMO space does not have the capacity to meet fill-finish demand, says Lonza (Bioprocessintl)
- Catalent to Expand Its Biologics Analytical Services with New Facility in Durham, North Carolina (<u>LifeSciKnowledgeHub</u>)
- 12.14.22 Societal CDMO Announces Closing of \$35.6 Million Concurrent Public Offerings (PR)
- 12.19.22 Formulated Solutions to Acquire Newly Updated FDA Approved Drug Production Site (ContractPharma)
- 12.20.22 SCORPION BIOLOGICAL SERVICES BECOMES SCORPIUS BIOMANUFACTURING TO REFLECT EXPANSION (PR)
- 01.02.22 Polysciences Announces New Bioprocessing Brand, Kyfora Bio (PR)
- 01.03.22 Bristol Myers Squibb Completes Sale of Manufacturing Facility in Syracuse, NY (ContractPharma)
- 01.03.22 GHO Capital and The Vistria Group Complete Acquisition of Leading CDMO Alcami Corporation (PR)

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