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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): March 2, 2017

TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-36019 (Commission File Number) 26-1434750 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

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A copy of the press release that discusses this matter is filed as Exhibit 99.02 to, and incorporated by reference in, this report. The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.01 Corporate Presentation by the Company for March 2017*
 - 99.02 Press release, dated March 2, 2017, issued by Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.*



^{*} Furnished herewith.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP.

Date: March 2, 2017

By: <u>/s/ SETH LEDERMAN</u> Seth Lederman Chief Executive Officer





March 2017

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Tonix (TNXP): Developing Innovative Pharmaceutical Products to Address Current and Emerging Public Health Challenges



Targeting central nervous system conditions

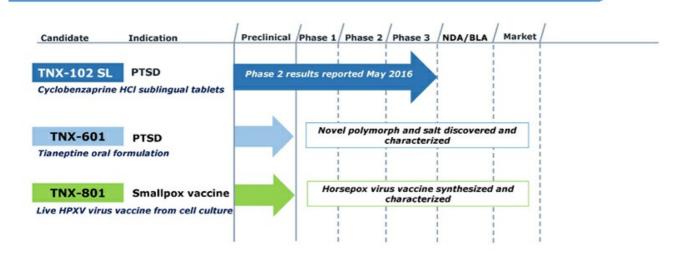
- In Phase 3 development, TNX-102 SL* for posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) with **Breakthrough Therapy designation** from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
 - Encouraging evidence of safety and efficacy was demonstrated in Phase 2 AtEase trial of military-related PTSD formed the basis of the Breakthrough Therapy designation
 - Regulatory clarity for PTSD based on FDA acceptance of PTSD Phase 3 clinical program at End-of-Phase 2 meeting
 - Expedited development and accelerated review are expected
- Second clinical candidate for PTSD with a different mechanism of action in pre-Investigational New Drug (IND) stage development

Other development efforts includes a smallpox preventing vaccine program which leverages our government affairs efforts and capabilities

 Development of medical countermeasure drugs and biologics is incentivized with Priority Review Voucher by the recently enacted "21st Century Cures Act"

* TNX-102 SL (cyclobenzaprine HCI sublingual tablets) is an investigational new drug and has not been approved for any indication





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 Targeting a chronic and serious psychiatric disorder: PTSD Therapeutic dose identified in Phase 2 study Phase 3 clinical and product registration plan accepted by the FDA¹ Designated Breakthrough Therapy for expedited development and review Initial Breakthrough Therapy meeting with FDA scheduled 1Q 2017 Targeting commencement of Phase 3 study in military-related PTSD in 1Q 2017
 PTSD High prevalence worldwide and receiving greater attention Not well served - high off-label usage² with unproven or contraindicated treatments³ Potential opportunity to displace current standard-of-care and expand market

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Unmet medical need

- PTSD is a serious condition and the prevalence is increasing, especially combat PTSD
- · Military-related PTSD is not satisfactorily treated by existing FDA approved therapies
- Two selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) are approved for PTSD, but have not shown efficacy in military-related PTSD

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Endpoint

- TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg had significant effects on the FDA-recognized primary endpoint, the Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5, "CAPS-5"
- Potential development and partners
 - · Several companies have U.S. psychiatry-focused specialty sales forces
 - Department of Defense (DoD) is interested in military-related PTSD and has the capacity to support basic science and clinical development

Important target population

· U.S. veterans are in great need of a medicine that works for this serious condition



Breakthrough Therapy Designation

- FDA granted TNX-102 SL Breakthrough Therapy designation reported December 19, 2016
 - PTSD is a serious condition
 - TNX-102 SL has potential advantages over existing therapies in military-related PTSD

Benefits of Breakthrough Therapy designation

 Eligibility for priority review of the New Drug Application (NDA) within 6 months instead of 10 months 7

- · Option to submit completed portions of the NDA for rolling review
- An organizational commitment involving FDA's senior managers to accelerate the development and approval process, an opportunity to compress development time

What is PTSD?

A chronic response to traumatic event(s)

- A majority of people will experience a traumatic event at some point in their lifetime¹
 - 20% of women and 8% of men in the U.S. who experience significant trauma develop PTSD¹

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- 6.8%² (~ 17 million adults in the U.S.) Lifetime prevalence: Persistent - >1/3 fail to recover, even after several years following the trauma²
- Twelve month prevalence: U.S. 3.5%³ (~ 8.6 million adults) EU 2.3%4 (~10 million adults)
- Most common forms of trauma¹
 - · Witnessing someone being badly injured or killed
 - Natural disaster
 - Life-threatening accident
 - · Sexual or physical assault

1. Kessler et al., Arch Gen Psychiatry, 1995;52: 1048
2. Kessler et al., Arch Gen Psychiatry, 2005;62: 593
3. Kessler et al., Arch Gen Psychiatry, 2005;62: 617; Prevalence rate of 3.5% applied to U.S. Census estimate of 247 million U.S. adult (≥18) population in 2015
(www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/PST045215/00)
4. The European Union Market Potential for a New PTSD Drug. Prepared for Tonix Pharmaceuticals by Procela Consultants Ltd September 2016
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What Are the Symptoms of PTSD?

Symptoms of PTSD fall into four clusters:

- 1. Intrusion (aversive memories, nightmares, flashbacks)
- 2. Avoidance (avoiding persons, places or situations)
- 3. Mood/cognitions (memory block, emotional numbing, detachment from others)

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4. Hyperarousal (anxiety, agitation & sleep disturbance)

Symptoms assessed for diagnosis, severity and treatment effect

- Clinician Administered PTSD Scale ("CAPS-5")
 - · Recognized as the standard for rating PTSD severity in clinical trials
 - Takes into account all four symptom clusters

What Are the Consequences of PTSD?

Consequences:

· Impaired daily function and substantial interference with work and social interactions

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- Reckless or destructive behavior
- · Increased health care utilization and greater medical morbidity

PTSD as a risk factor for:

- Depression
- Alcohol or substance abuse
- Absenteeism/unemployment
- Homelessness
- Violent acts
- · Suicidal thoughts and suicide

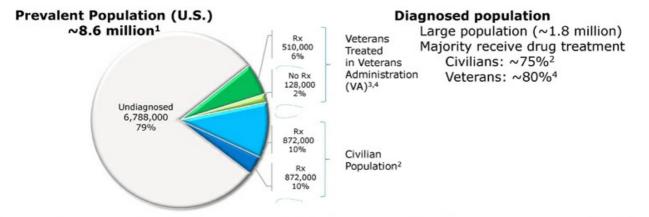
Unmet Needs:

- · Effective therapy for populations not well served by current treatment (males, military trauma)
- · Alternative therapy for the majority of patients unresponsive or intolerant to current treatments
- Drug therapy compatible and complementary with behavioral therapy
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PTSD Prevalence and Market Characteristics

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Kessler, et al., 2005; Prevalence rate of 3.5% applied to U.S. Census estimate of 247 million U.S. adult (≥18) population in 2015 (www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/PST045215/00)
 IMS Consulting, Market Sizing & Treatment Dynamics: "Post-Treumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Patients", 2016
 Bowe and Rosenheck, 2015 (638,451 veterans diagnosed with PTSD in the VA in fiscal year 2012 across all medical centers)
 Bernardy et al., 2012 (80% of veterans diagnosed with PTSD had at least one medication from the Clinical Practice Guidelines)

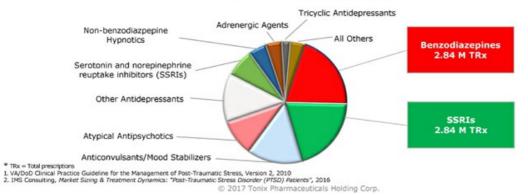


Market highly fragmented, with benzodiazepines being widely prescribed (but not indicated)¹

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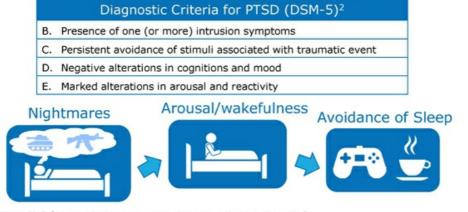
- Multiple medications per patient (or "Polypharmacy") is the norm
- Approximately 55% of patients receive a benzodiazepine, and 53% receive an SSRI
- SSRIs are the only FDA approved drug class

Estimated PTSD Market Volume (Civilian Population Only) ~14.1 million TRx*2





Sleep disturbances are a core feature of PTSD and a component of three of the four major symptom clusters:



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¹Germain A. Am J Psychiatry. 2013; ²American Psychiatric Association. Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders. 5th ed. Arlington, VA: American Psychiatric Publishing; 2013. © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.





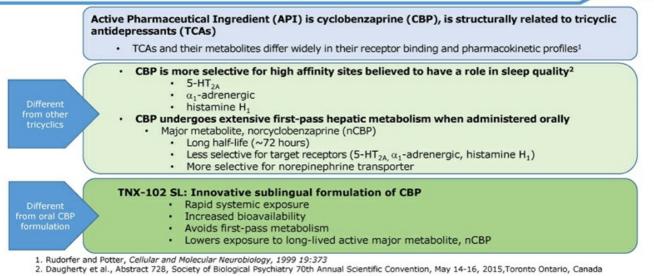
Sleep disturbances:

- Core symptom of PTSD (component of intrusion and hyperarousal symptom clusters)
 Believed to play roles in the pathophysiology of PTSD

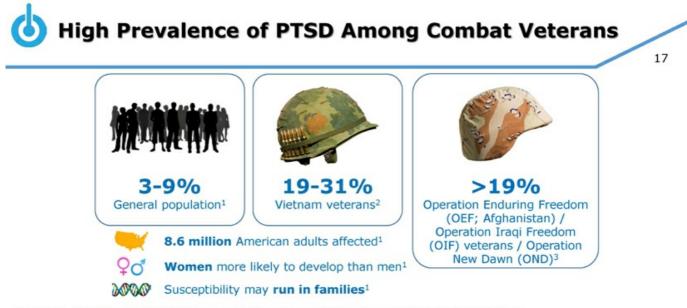
	Sleep As a Core Symptom	Pathophysiology	Pharmacological Action 2° Clinical Endpoint	Therapeutic Benefit 1º Clinical Endpoint
PTSD	 Nightmares Hyperarousal 	Stress ≈ Hyperarousal ≈ Sleep Disturbances Hyperarousal and hypervigilance interfere with sleep and emotional memory processing during sleep	Reduced hyperarousal	Reduced PTSD symptoms and disability

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TNX-102 SL: Innovative and Unique by Design



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Growing Economic and Social Burden to Care for Veterans with PTSD



Health care costs associated with PTSD for OEF/OIF/OND veterans:





Why Initially Target Military-Related PTSD?

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Military-related PTSD not well-served by existing FDA-approved therapies

	• No clear treatment respo	onse observed in U.S. military population
		cacy in a large multicenter trial in U.S. military (placebo numerically better) ¹ iducted with predominantly military trauma
	Inconsistent treatment re	esponse observed in males
		st-hoc analysis concluded no effect for male civilian subgroup ² ference in treatment outcomes ³
	• Important tolerability iss	ues with SSRIs in this population
	Sexual dysfunction ^{2,3} Insomnia ^{2,3} SSRI withdrawal syndrome ⁴	
2. 3.	 Friedman et al., J Clin Psychiatry 2007; 68:711 Zoloft Package Insert, August, 2014 Paxil Package Insert, June, 2014 Fava et al., Psychother Psychosom 84:72-81, 2015 	© 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



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Phase 2 AtEase Study in Military-Related PTSD

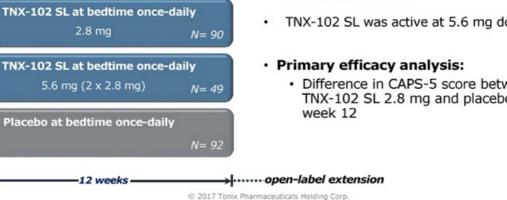
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Randomized, double-blind, placebocontrolled trial in military-related PTSD

- Enrolled patients with baseline CAPS-5 ≥ 29
- Analysis from 231 patients; • 24 U.S. clinical sites
- TNX-102 SL was active at 5.6 mg dose

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 Difference in CAPS-5 score between TNX-102 SL 2.8 mg and placebo at week 12



AtEase Study Demographics and Characteristics

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- 93% of the randomized patients were male
- 98% had trauma during military service
- Deployed an average of 2.3 times
- Mean time since index trauma was 7 years
- Race and ethnicity generally consistent with U.S. military distribution
- Current Major Depressive Disorder 14% by MINI 7.0
- Similar baseline CAPS-5 scores and MADRS scores across treatment arms

Variable	Placebo N=92	TNX-102 SL 2.8 mg N=90	TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg N=49	Overall N=231
Baseline CAPS-5 Scores (SD)	39.5 (7.7)	39.5 (8.0)	39.3 (8.1)	39.5 (7.85)
Baseline MADRS Scores (SD)	17.3 (6.5)	17.6 (5.2)	16.1 (5.5)	17.1 (5.83)

CAPS-5, Clinician Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5 MADRS, Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale MINI 7.0, Mini-International Neuropsychiatric Interview, Version 7 SD, standard deviation

AtEase Study: Traumas Associated with PTSD

Index Trauma During Military Service	Patient Count*
Being involved in an IED explosion or suicide bombing	35
Witness death or injury of fellow soldiers	33
Witnessing IED explosion	30
Receiving incoming artillery, rocket, or mortar fire	29
Being wounded or injured	10
Being responsible for the death of a noncombatant	9
Witness suicide-related deaths or injury	9
Seeing ill or injured women or children you were unable to help	9
Witnessing death or injury of civilians	8
Handling or uncovering human remains	7
Sexual assault	6
Involved in serious vehicular accident (Humvee, helicopter, plane)	6
Shooting or directing fire at the enemy	5
Knowing someone seriously injured or killed	4
Being responsible for the death of an enemy combatant	4
Seeing dead bodies or human remains	4
Other	11

*Some patients experienced more than one trauma

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AtEase Study – Summary of Primary and Secondary Analyses (week 12)

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Assessment	Domain	Analysis	p-Values	
			2.8 mg (N=90)	5.6 mg (N=49)
CAPS-5	Total	MMRM	0.259^	0.053
	Total	MMRM with Multiple Imputation	0.211	0.031*
	Total	MMRM w/ Hybrid LOCF/BOCF	0.172	0.037*
	Total	ANCOVA	0.090	0.038*
CAPS-5 clusters/items	Arousal & Reactivity cluster (E)	MMRM	0.141	0.048*
	Sleep item (E6)	MMRM	0.185	0.010*
	Exaggerated Startle item (E4)	MMRM	0.336	0.015*
CGI-I	Responders	Logistic Regression	0.240	0.041*
PGIC	Mean score	MMRM	0.075	0.035*
Sheehan Disability Scale	Work/school item	MMRM	0.123	0.050*
	Social/leisure item	MMRM	0.198	0.031*

BOCF, baseline observation carried forward; CGI-I, Clinical Global Impression - Improvement scale; LOCF, last observation carried forward; MMRM, mixed model repeated measures; PGIC, Patient Global Impression of Change

^Primary analysis p-value not significant comparing TNX-102 SL 2.8 mg versus placebo

*p<0.05



AtEase Study: Safety and Tolerability Profile

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No serious adverse events reported with TNX-102 SL deemed related to treatment

Systemic Adverse Events*	Placebo (N=94)	TNX-102 SL 2.8 mg (N=93)	TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg (N=50)	
Somnolence	6.4%	11.8%	16.0%	
Dry Mouth	10.6%	4.3%	16.0%	
Headache	4.3%	5.4%	12.0%	
Insomnia	8.5%	7.5%	6.0%	
Sedation	1.1%	2.2%	12.0%	
Administration Site Reaction	IS*			
Hypoaesthesia oral	2.1%	38.7%	36.0%	
Paraesthesia	3.2%	16.1%	4.0%	
Glossodynia	1.1%	3.2%	6.0%	

Trial completion rates: 73% placebo; 79% TNX-102 SL 2.8 mg; 84% TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg

*at rates of >5% in either drug-treated arm, Safety population N=237 © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

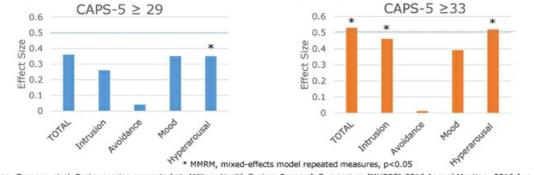
AtEase: Retrospective Analysis for TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg

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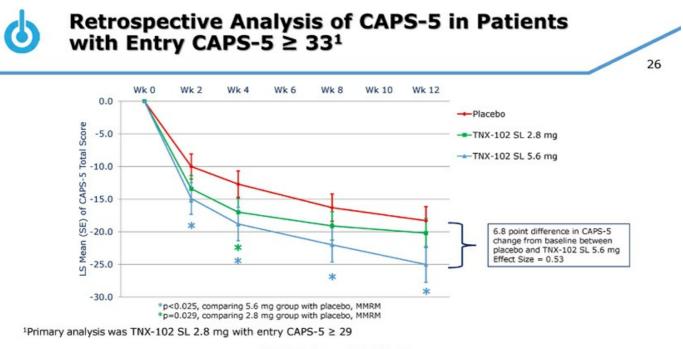
Prior pharmacotherapy trials in PTSD used *earlier versions* of CAPS (e.g. CAPS-2) • Different scoring range from CAPS-5

- Most frequently used a score of \geq 50 for entry (similar to CAPS-5 \geq 33¹)
- FDA has accepted this higher entry criteria (CAPS-5 \geq 33) for Phase 3 program

Compared CAPS-5 Severity Entry Criteria ≥ 29 versus ≥ 33 on Effect Size for AtEase • Retrospective analysis showed more robust effect with high entry criteria



¹Sullivan, Gregory, et al. Poster session presented at: Military Health System Research Symposium (MHSRS) 2016 Annual Meeting; 2016 Aug 15-18; Kissimmee, FL. URL: <u>http://bit.ly/2bFo4mx</u> © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.





Retrospective Analyses of Week 12 Outcome Measures for TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg vs. Placebo in Military-related or Combat PTSD Subset and for CAPS-5 ≥ 29 and CAPS-5 ≥ 33 at Baseline

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	Military-re	Military-related PTSD		Combat PTSD	
CAPS-5 at Baseline	≥ 29	≥ 33	≥ 29	≥ 33	
N: PBO/TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg	92/49	77/38	74/46	64/35	
Outcome Measure	p-value ¹	p-value ¹	p-value ¹	p-value1	
CAPS-5					
Total score	0.053	*0.013	*0.037	*0.013	
Cluster B (intrusion)	0.161	*0.026	0.183	*0.031	
Cluster C (avoidance)	0.963	0.522	0.824	0.570	
Cluster D (mood/cognition)	0.062	0.065	*0.035	0.061	
Cluster E (arousal and reactivity)	*0.048	*0.012	*0.036	*0.012	
E6 (Sleep item)	*0.010	*0.013	*0.003	*0.010	
E2 (Reckless/Self Destruct)	0.140	*0.012	0.178	*0.019	
CGI-I (responders)	*0.041	*0.042	*0.049	0.082	
SDS					
Total Score	0.079	0.093	*0.039	*0.032	
Work/School item	0.050	*0.040	*0.026	*0.015	
Social/Leisure item	*0.031	0.116	*0.013	*0.028	
Family Life/Home Responsibilities item	0.524	0.455	0.328	0.274	

¹CAPS-5 and Sheehan Disability Scale outcome measures: p-values from mixed-effects model repeated measures statistical test on the mean change from baseline difference between TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg and placebo; CGI-I: p-values from a repeated measure logistic regression (Responder defined as a patient who was rated as "1" very much improved, or "2" much improved at week 12). "denotes statistical significance difference with p<0.05, not adjusted for multiple comparisons; Abbreviations: 5.6 mg=TNX-102 SL 5.6 mg; CAPS-5=Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale for DSM-5; N=number of patients; PBO=Placebo; SDS=Sheehan Disability Scale. © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



Phase 2 AtEase Study Conclusions

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First large multi-center trial demonstrating efficacy of an Investigational New Drug (IND) in military-related PTSD

- ✓ TNX-102 SL therapeutic dose (5.6 mg) identified
- ✓ Symptom reduction (CAPS-5)
- ✓ Functional improvement (Sheehan Disability Scale domains)
- ✓ Clinical global impression of improvement (CGI-I)

✓ Evidence of meaningful clinical improvement supports the Breakthrough Therapy designation

Effects on sleep and hyperarousal

✓ Consistent with mechanistic hypothesis

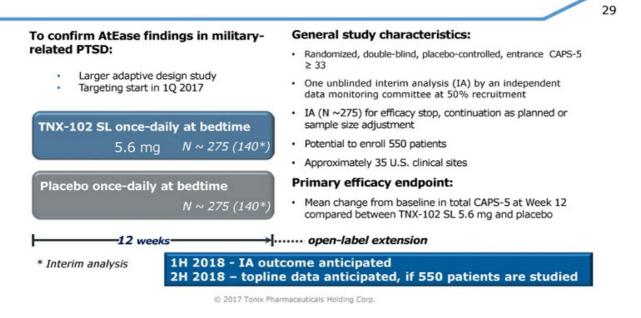
Well-tolerated; side effects include:

- Systemic: somnolence, dry mouth, headache and sedation
 Local administration site reactions: transient tongue numbness

Comprehensive AtEase study results from scientific presentations available at: http://www.tonixpharma.com/research-development/scientific-presentations



Planned Phase 3 HONOR Study in PTSD





Commercialization Options

Tonix is exploring a variety of options to commercialize TNX-102 SL, including commercializing on our own or partnering all or some indications in specific regions of the world.

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Commercial considerations:

- Primary physician audience is well defined: psychiatrists (~30,000 in U.S.)
 Small specialty sales force sufficient for coverage
- Primary market research with psychiatrists indicate strong interest in new therapeutic options



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TNX-102 SL

Portfolio of international patents filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

Composition-of-matter (eutectic)

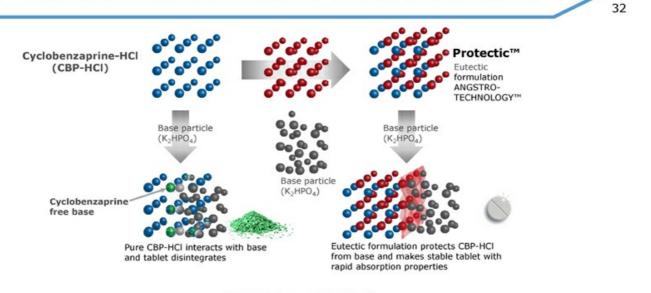
- Patents filed
- Protection expected to 2034
- Pharmacokinetics (PK)
 - Patents filed
 - · Protection expected to 2033

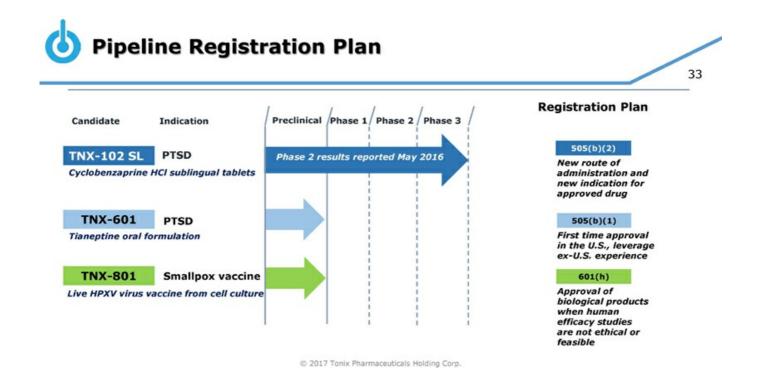
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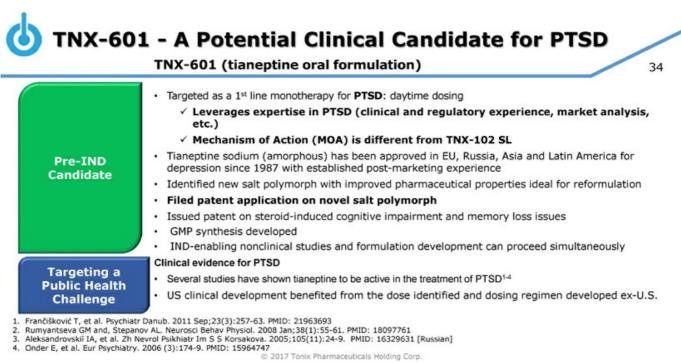
PTSD: patents filed



Proprietary Cyclobenzaprine Hydrochloride Eutectic Mixture Stabilizes Tablet Formulation





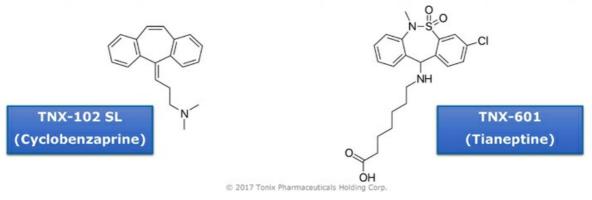




Structural Comparison: TNX-102 SL and TNX-601

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- Cyclobenzaprine and tianeptine share structural similarities with classic tricyclic antidepressants (TCAs) and to each other, but each has unique pharmacological properties
 - Tianeptine has a 3-chlorodibenzothiazepine nucleus with an aminoheptanoic side chain
- · Tianeptine leverages Tonix's expertise in the pharmacology and development of tricyclics



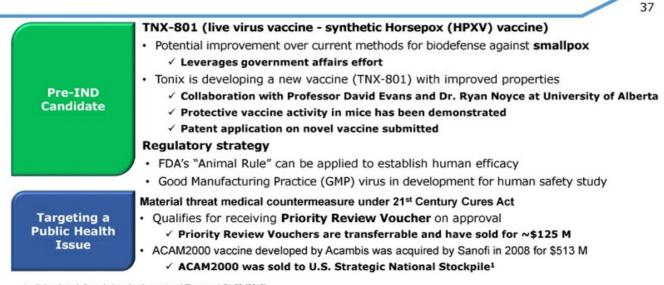
TNX-601: A Potential Clinical Candidate for PTSD

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· Shares structural features with tricyclic antidepressants, but has unique pharmacological and neurochemical properties1 Tianeptine modulates the glutamatergic system indirectly Does not have significant affinity (K_i>10µM) for NMDA² or AMPA³ receptors Tianeptine is a weak µ-opioid receptor (MOR) agonist Controlled substance in France, Bahrain and Singapore Tianeptine has been shown to oppose deleterious effects of chronic stress on brain . structure and plasticity TNX-601: Novel salt and polymorph of tianeptine Improved stability, consistency and manufacturability Benefited from human experience established in ex-U.S. approved countries Potential safety and efficacy evidence in published PTSD studies4-7 of TNX-601 5 year Hatch-Waxman exclusivity for first time approval in the U.S. . Patent filed on novel salt and polymorph • McEwen, Bruce S., et al. The neurobiological properties of tianeptine (Stablon): from monoamine hypothesis to glutamatergic modulation. Molecular psychiatry 2010; 15.3: 237-249 Momethyl-D-aspartate aramino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isoxazolepropionic acid Frančsković T, et al. Psychiatr Danub. 2011 Sep; 23(3):257-63. PMID: 21963693 Rumyantseva GM and, Stepanov AL. Neurosci Behav Physiol. 2008 Jan;38(1):55-61. PMID: 18097761 Aleksandrovskii TA, et al. Zh Nevrol Psikhiatr Im S S Korsakova. 2005; 105(11):24-9. PMID: 16329631 [Russian] Onder E, et al. Eur Psychiatry. 2006 (3):174-9. PMID: 15964747 © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

API is a novel salt of tianeptine

TNX-801: A Potential Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine



1. Nalca, A et al. Drug design, development and Therapy: 4:71-79 (2010) © 2017 Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.



Synthesis from sequence of a 1976 Mongolian isolate¹ In mice, TNX-801 behaved like attenuated vaccinia virus (vaccinia virus is foundation of current smallpox vaccines) 38

How is horsepox related to modern vaccines?

- Multiple sources²⁻⁴ indicate that the smallpox vaccine discovered by Dr. Edward Jenner in the early 19th century was likely a horsepox virus
- · Evidence indicates that modern smallpox vaccines descend from a HPXV-like ancestral strain
- Horsepox is now believed to be extinct⁴

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 Horsepox is caused by HPXV and is characterized by mouth and skin eruptions

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- HXPV isolate from the 1976 outbreak later sequenced
- Modern vaccinia virus smallpox vaccines are associated with cardiotoxicity; may have acquired undesirable properties not present in an ancestral virus (likely HPXV)
- Horsepox has potential for slower proliferation or decreased toxicity

A Better Smallpox-preventing Vaccine is Important and Necessary Today

 Smallpox was eradicated as a result of global public health campaigns

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- No cases of naturally-occurring smallpox have been reported since 1977
- Accidental or intentional transmission of smallpox does not require a natural disease reservoir
- Stockpiles of smallpox-preventing vaccines are currently maintained and refreshed in case of need



TNX-801: A Potential Medical Countermeasure

21st Century Cures Act (2016), Section 3086

Encouraging Treatments for Agents that Present a National Security Threat

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- Medical countermeasures are drugs or vaccines intended to treat:
 - biological, chemical, radiological, or nuclear agents that present a national security threat
 - harm from a condition that may be caused by administering a drug or biological product against such an agent
- New priority review voucher program for "material threat medical countermeasures"
- · Priority review voucher may be transferred or sold



TNX-801: A Potential Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine

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Synthetic live virus HPXV TNX-801 • Shares structural characteristics with vaccinia-based vaccines • Unique properties that suggest lower toxicity • Smallpox has a ~30% mortality rate in naïve populations Live virus vaccines stimulate cross-reactive immunity • Protects from consequences of infection with smallpox agent

- Renders recipient "immune"
 - Provides additional protection of non-immunized population

Important Characteristics of TNX-801	Potential safety advantage over existing vaccines • Cardiotoxicity limits use of existing vaccines Exclusivity
	 Patent filed on novel virus composition 12 years exclusivity



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TNX-102 SL – Posttraumatic Stress Disorder

	May 2016	Reported results from AtEase study
M	August 2016	End-of-Phase 2 meeting with FDA
		 Proposed Phase 3 clinical and NDA plan accepted
	December 2016	Breakthrough Therapy designation granted by FDA
Ø	January 2017	FDA concurrence with protocol design for Phase 3 HONOR study in military- related PTSD
	1Q 2017	Target commencement of Phase 3 HONOR study
	1Q 2017	FDA Initial Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Breakthrough Therapy Meeting
	1H 2018	Anticipated interim analysis of Phase 3 HONOR study in ~275 participants
	2H 2018	Anticipated topline results of Phase 3 HONOR study in 550 participants (if
3	needed)	

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Strong position for value growth with Phase 3 development in a major medical indication: PTSD including military-related PTSD

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· Phase 3 asset not previously well-known to the investor marketplace

TNX-102 SL for PTSD is designated as a Breakthrough Therapy by FDA

· Accelerated development and approval process is expected

Phase 3 HONOR study in military-PTSD expected to initiate in 1Q 2017

- Outcome of the interim analysis on ${\sim}275$ participants expected to be available 1H 2018
- Topline results from 550 participants, if needed, expected to be available 2H 2018





Thank you!



Tonix Pharmaceuticals Announces Demonstrated Vaccine Activity in First-Ever Synthesized Chimeric Horsepox Virus

Pre-Clinical Smallpox-Preventing Vaccine Candidate TNX-801 May Qualify for Priority Review Voucher if FDA-Approved Under Provisions in the 21st Century Cures Act

NEW YORK, March 2, 2017 – <u>Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.</u> (Nasdaq: TNXP) (Tonix), a company that is developing innovative pharmaceutical products to address public health challenges, working with researchers from the University of Alberta, a leading Canadian research university, today announced the successful synthesis of a potential smallpox-preventing vaccine. This vaccine candidate, TNX-801, is a live form of horsepox virus (HPXV) that has been demonstrated to have protective vaccine activity in mice.

"Presently, the safety concern of existing smallpox-preventing vaccines outweigh the potential benefit to provide immunization of first responders or the general public. By developing TNX-801 as a horsepox vaccine to prevent smallpox infection, we hope to have a safer vaccine to protect against smallpox than is currently available," stated Seth Lederman, M.D., president and chief executive officer of Tonix. "Vaccines are a critical component of the infrastructure of global public health. Vaccination protects those who are vaccinated and also those who are not vaccinated, by decreasing the risk of contagion."

"Our goal is to improve on current methods that protect the public from possible viral outbreaks," said Professor David Evans, Ph.D., FCAHS, Professor and Vice-Dean (Research), Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Alberta, in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and principal investigator of the TNX-801 research project.

HPXV was synthesized by Professor Evans and Research Associate Ryan Noyce, Ph.D., at the University of Alberta, with Dr. Lederman as co-investigator of the research and co-inventor of the TNX-801 patent. Under their research and development agreement, Tonix wholly owns the synthesized HPXV virus stock and related sequences. Professor Evans and Dr. Noyce also demonstrated that HPXV has protective vaccine activity in mice, using a model of lethal vaccinia infection. Vaccine manufacturing activities have been initiated by Tonix to support further nonclinical testing of TNX-801.

Dr. Lederman stated, "Our research collaboration is dedicated to creating tools and innovative products that better protect public health."

About Horsepox (HPXV) and Smallpox

Horsepox, an equine disease caused by a virus and characterized by eruptions in the mouth and on the skin, is believed to be eradicated. No true HPXV outbreaks have been reported since 1976, at which time the United States Department of Agriculture obtained the viral sample used for the sequence published in 2006 that allowed the synthesis of TNX-801. In 1798, Dr. Edward Jenner, English physician and scientist, speculated that smallpox is a human version of pox diseases in animals. Jenner had a strong suspicion that his vaccine began as a pox disease in horses and went on to show that it could be used to vaccinate against smallpox. Smallpox was eradicated as a result, and no cases of naturally occurring smallpox have been reported since 1977. Jenner's vaccine appears to have evolved considerably in the vaccinia stocks maintained in different countries around the world, since vaccinia was mostly selected for growth and production. Being able to provide safe and effective smallpox-preventing vaccines remains important and necessary for addressing and protecting public health.

About the Material Threat Medical Countermeasures Provisions in the 21st Century Cures Act

In 2016, the 21st Century Cures Act (Act) was signed into law to support ongoing biomedical innovation. One part of the Act, Section 3086, is aimed at "Encouraging Treatments for Agents that Present a National Security Threat." This section of the Act created a new priority review voucher program for "material threat medical countermeasures." The Act defines such countermeasures as drugs or vaccines intended to treat biological, chemical, radiological, or nuclear agents that present a national security threat, or to treat harm from a condition that may be caused by administering a drug or biological product against such an agent. The priority review vouchers are awarded at the time of FDA approval and are fully transferrable and may be sold to other companies to be used for priority review of any New Drug Application (NDA) or Biologic Licensing Application (BLA).

About Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

Tonix is developing innovative pharmaceutical products to address public health challenges, with TNX-102 SL in Phase 3 development for posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). TNX-102 SL is designed for bedtime use and is believed to improve overall PTSD symptoms by improving sleep quality in PTSD patients. PTSD is a serious condition characterized by chronic disability, inadequate treatment options especially for military-related PTSD and overall high utilization of healthcare services creating significant economic burden. TNX-102 SL was recently granted Breakthrough Therapy designation by the FDA for the treatment of PTSD. Other development efforts include TNX-601, a clinical candidate at Pre-IND (Investigational New Drug) application stage, designed for daytime use for the treatment of PTSD, and TNX-801, a potential smallpox-preventing vaccine.

*TNX-102 SL (cyclobenzaprine HCl sublingual tablets) is an investigational new drug and has not been approved for any indication.

This press release and further information about Tonix can be found at www.tonixpharma.com.

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