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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 11, 2018

Aquestive Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or
Organization)

001-38599
(Commission File Number)

82-3827296
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

30 Technology Drive
Warren, NJ 07059
(908) 941-1900
(Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Aquestive Therapeutics, Inc. is furnishing the investor presentations attached as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2 to this report for use at the BMO Prescriptions for Success Conference on December 12, 2018, and in other meetings with investors and analysts.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Business Update Investor Presentation, dated December 2018
99.2	Corporate Update Investor Presentation, dated December 2018

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 11, 2018

Aquestive Therapeutics, Inc.

By: /s/ John T. Maxwell

Name: John T. Maxwell

Title: Chief Financial Officer



Business Update

December 2018

Advancing medicines
Solving problems
Improving lives



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Business Update – December 2018

- Sympazan™ (clobazam) Oral Film launched in November; marketing and sales efforts initiated nationwide
- Libervant™ (diazepam) Buccal Film* progressing toward NDA submission, pending outcome of pre-NDA meeting
- Aquestive's PharmFilm patent portfolio not impacted by lifting of DRL Preliminary Injunction; Suboxone® Sublingual Film (CIII)** and Authorized Generic will continue to be a meaningful part of partnered revenue base
- Strong cash position from IPO to support commercialization and development plans with several non-dilutive capital options available, if needed

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Sympazan™ (clobazam) Launch



- Received FDA approval as expected on November 1st for treatment of seizures associated with Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (LGS) in patients 2 years of age or older
- Pharmacokinetic (PK) data presented at American Epilepsy Society 2018 Annual Meeting and published in *Epilepsia*¹
- Commercial organization with 50+ experienced professionals, in markets nationwide actively meeting with prescribers and payers – first scripts written
- Engagements will help to educate key customers on value of PharmFilm technology, in advance of a potential 2019 Libervant launch
 - 90% overlap in high volume prescriber base

Key corporate milestone in Aquestive's transformation from a CDMO to a specialty pharmaceutical company

Libervant™ (diazepam) Buccal Film

- Completed six (6) studies to date, including pivotal Adult EMU study, in line with FDA interactions to date
 - Data presented at American Epilepsy Study (AES) meeting
 - Long-term safety study ongoing and progressing well
 - Continue to enroll patients in Pediatric EMU and safety studies
- Upcoming pre-NDA meeting with FDA will inform submission timing and strategy; Seeking to gain the FDA's alignment on following criteria:
 - Appropriate characterization of pharmacokinetic data in healthy volunteers and patients
 - Proposal for appropriate dosing regimen based on studies and population PK model
 - Proposal for providing safety data updates

Progressing toward NDA submission, pending outcome of pre-NDA meeting in mid-December

- Appeals court lifted Preliminary Injunction, allowing DRL to enter market “at risk”; IP litigation continues
- No impact to Aquestive’s patent portfolio, no validity or infringement decision rendered
 - Proprietary products have additional unique patents expected to extend protection into the late 2030s
- Revenues from Suboxone are tied to manufacturing volume (not price), and derived from several current and potential sources where Aquestive is the sole and exclusive provider:
 - US Branded orders from Indivior
 - Authorized Generic orders from Sandoz
 - Additional non-U.S. volume, which is growing as a percent of business

Suboxone will remain a significant revenue contributor 4+ years

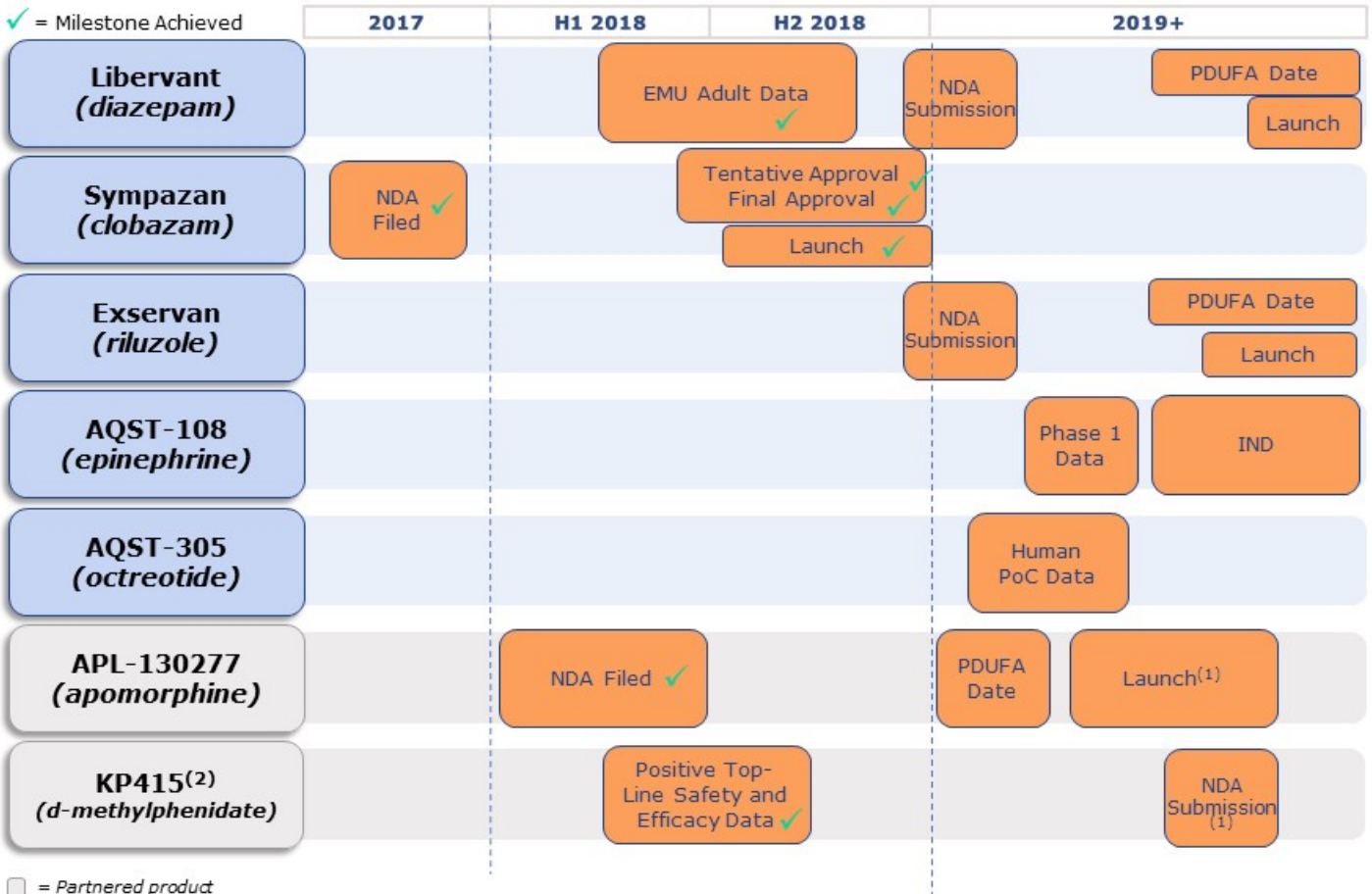
Aquestive Capital Resources

- Proceeds from July IPO positions company to commercially launch its proprietary CNS products
- Impact of Suboxone is manageable as variable cost structure will be adjusted to minimize any impact of lost revenue
- Potential monetizable royalty streams represent non-dilutive capital options
 - APL-130277 (Sunovion) - early 2019 PDUFA
 - KP-415, -484, -879 (Kempharm)
- Solid cash and balance sheet available to fund current and future programs
- Company strategy and plans were designed purposefully to shift from Suboxone/Indivior revenue base to proprietary products

Multi-dimensional business with the resources to fund growth prospects behind CNS franchise, early pipeline and diverse partner portfolio

Multiple Upcoming Near-Term Catalysts

✓ = Milestone Achieved



Learn more about Aquestive Therapeutics, Inc.



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Corporate Update

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Corporate Highlights

Broad, Late-Stage Product Pipeline

- Two late-stage CNS product candidates aimed at improving treatment paradigms
- Complex molecule product candidates in immunology and endocrinology targeting large market opportunities

Commercial-Stage, Innovative Technology & Global IP

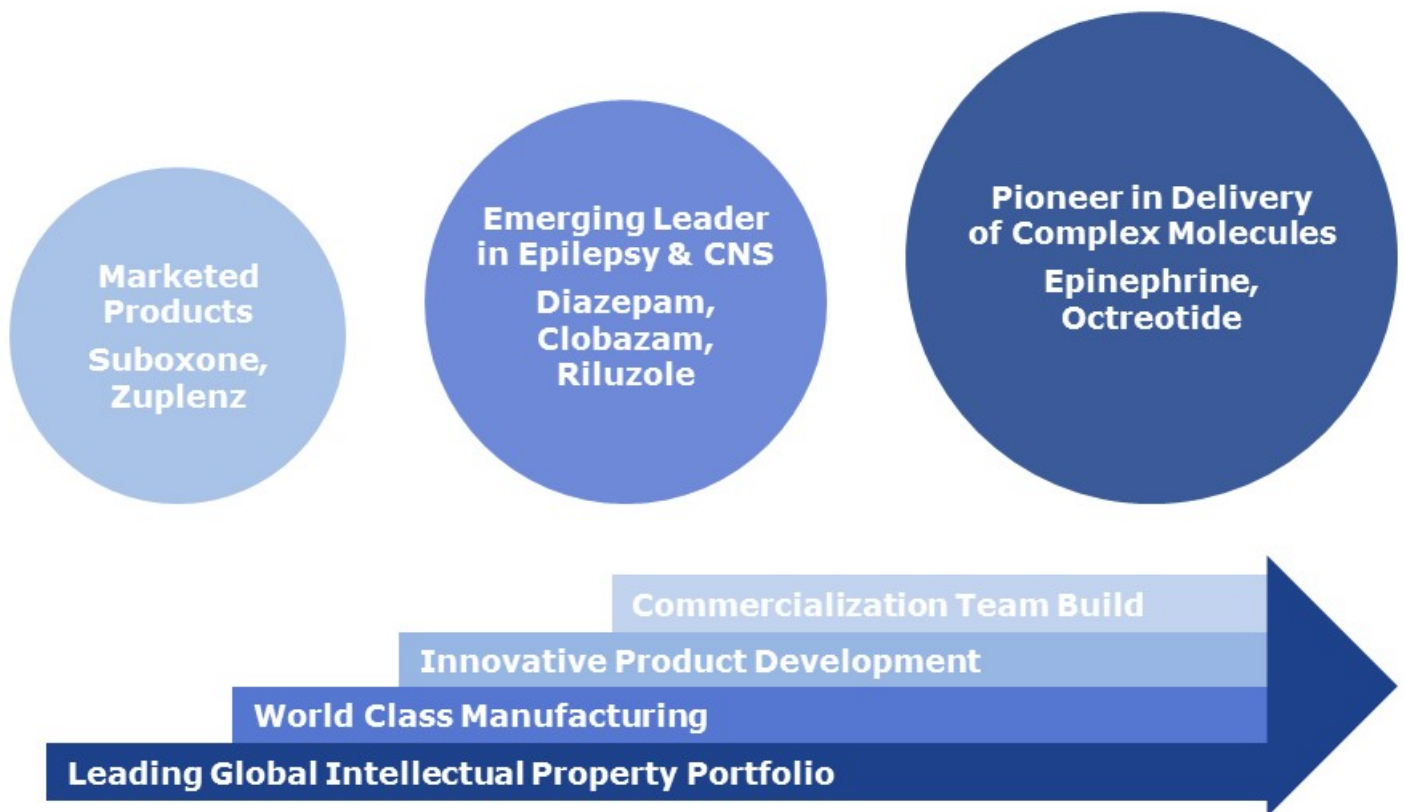
- Received FDA approval and launched SYMAPAZAN™, adjunctive treatment of seizures associated with Lennox-Gastaut syndrome
- Commercial team with numerous product launches, including Diastat, Onfi and others in CNS space
- World-class manufacturing capabilities
- PharmFilm technology allows unmet patient needs to be addressed in novel ways
- Extensive patents or patent applications provide protection to 2037

Revenue and Cash Flow from Successful Partnerships

- Multiple collaborations covering products from early-stage to commercial
- ~\$50.6 million in revenue generated from licensed products and collaborations for first nine months 2018
- Cash flows re-invested in development of proprietary pipeline
- Experienced management team and board with track record of developing and commercializing pharmaceutical products

Strategic Evolution

Unlocking value by advancing proprietary CNS and complex molecules

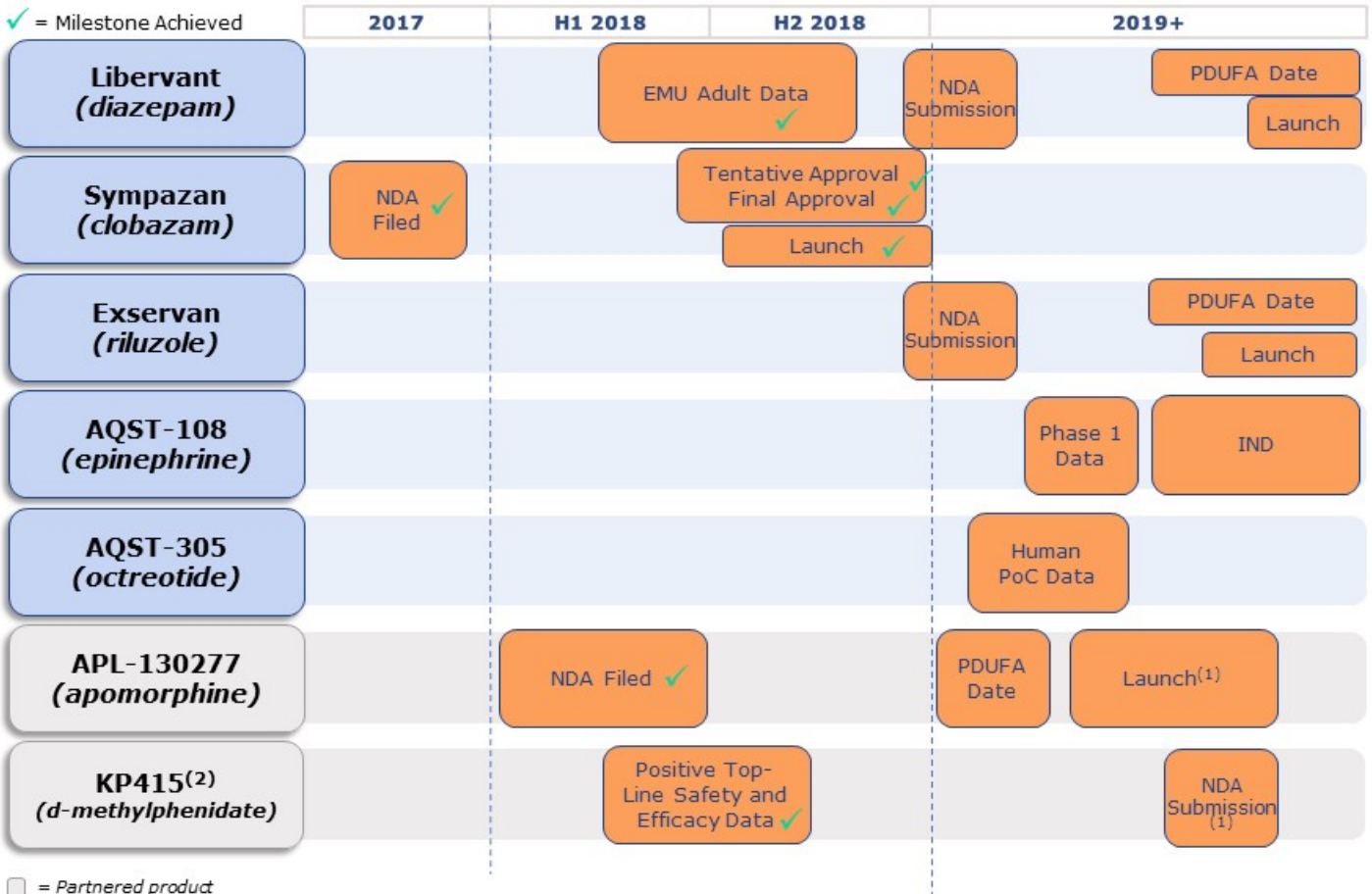


Proprietary and Partnered Pipeline Summary

Program	Molecule	Indication	Formulation	Pre-Clinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Filed	Marketed	Commercial Rights	Partnered
CNS Programs											
Libervant	Diazepam	Refractory Seizures								Worldwide	
Sympazan	Clobazam	Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome								Worldwide	
Exservan	Riluzole	ALS								Worldwide	
Complex Molecule Programs											
AQST-108	Epinephrine	Anaphylaxis								Worldwide	
AQST-305	Octreotide	Acromegaly/Carcinoid Syndrome								Worldwide	
Partnered Programs											
Suboxone	Buprenorphine / Naloxone	Opioid Dependence									Indivior
Zuplenz	Ondansetron	CINV/PINV									Midatech
APL-130277	Apomorphine	Parkinson's Disease									Sunovion
AQST-119	Tadalafil	Erectile Dysfunction/BPH								Worldwide	
AQST-306	Edaravone	ALS									Mitsubishi Tanabe

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Experienced Management Team & Board of Directors

Leadership Team



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President, Chief Executive Officer & Director



Dan Barber
SVP, Chief Strategy and Development Officer



Peter Boyd
SVP, Operations and Value Delivery



Lori Braender
SVP, General Counsel



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Commercial Leader



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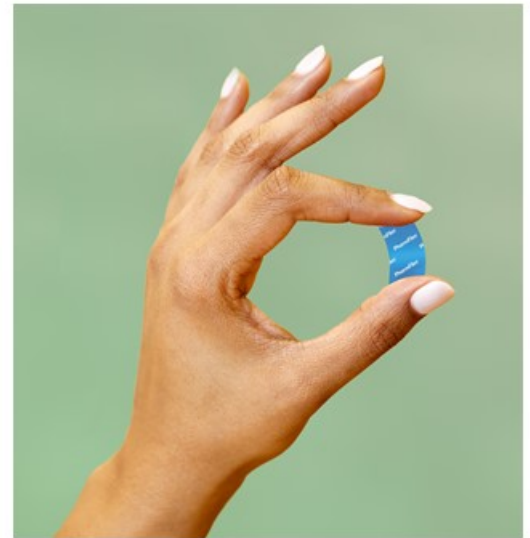


James S. Scibetta
CEO of Maverick Therapeutics, former President of Pacira Pharmaceuticals


PharmFilm Technology

- First FDA approved oral films for lingual, sublingual and combination drug delivery
- Multiple advantages versus IV, tablet and liquid formulations
- World leader in supplying oral films for prescription pharmaceutical products
 - FDA- and DEA-inspected facilities with capacity sufficient for commercial quantities of products and product candidates currently in development
- Robust intellectual property estate with at least 200 approved patents and more than 75 pending patents

PharmFilm®



CNS Product Portfolio & Strategy



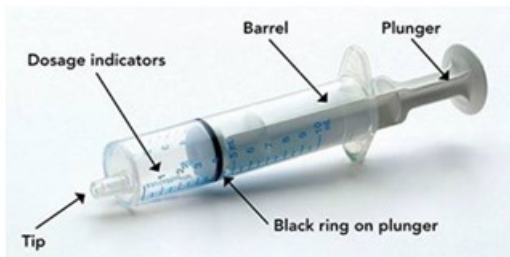
Sympazan
(clobazam oral film)
Launch underway

Sympazan: Positioning in LGS Treatment Paradigm

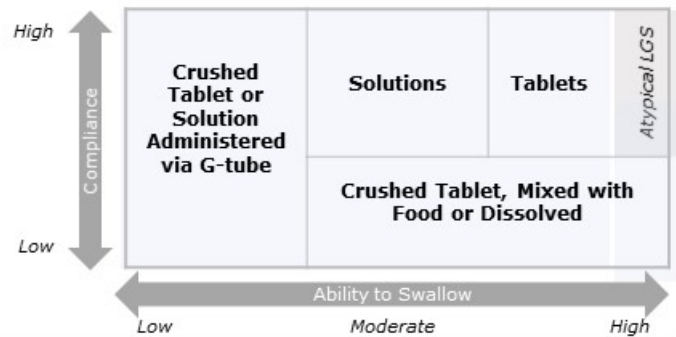
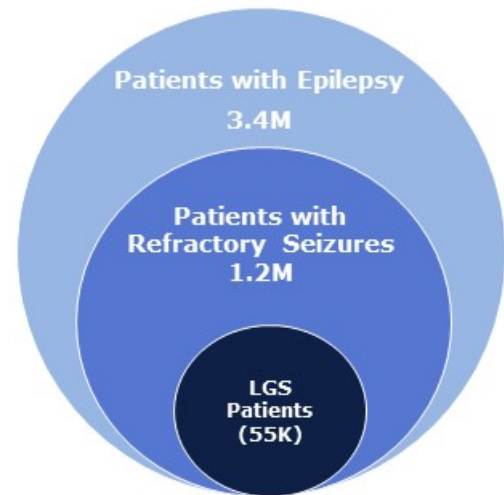
- Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (LGS) is a rare, intractable form of epilepsy affecting ~55K patients in the US
- Medication administration perceived as significant unmet need
 - Approximately 30-40% of LGS patients experience dysphagia
 - Caregivers struggle through decades of difficult treatment regimens, dosing alternatives to address this daily challenge

ONFI

- Approximately 500K prescriptions annually
- Available only in tablet and suspension formulations
- LGS patients often cannot, or refuse to, swallow
 - Leads to caregivers crushing tablets or using liquid formulations
 - Can result in patient receiving sub-optimal dose



Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Market

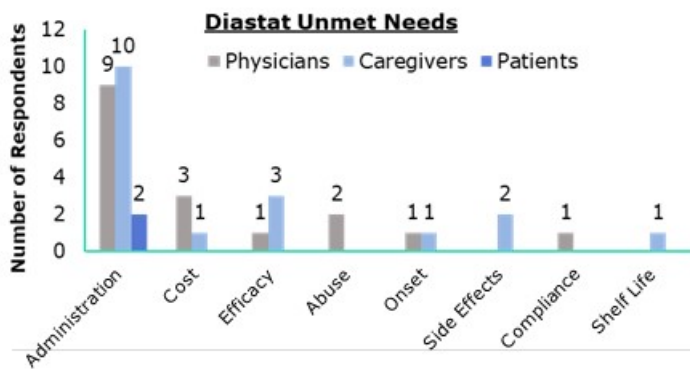
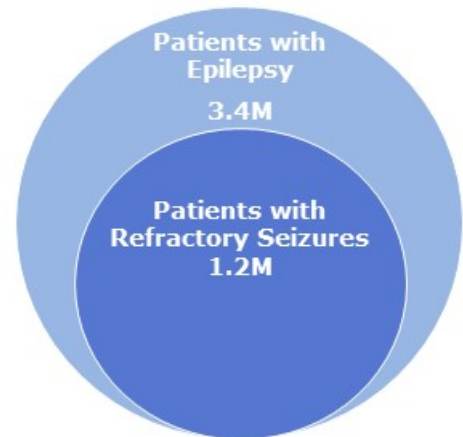


Libervant
(diazepam buccal film)

Libervant: Untreated Patient Growth Opportunity

- Epileptic seizures affect ~3.4 million patients in US
 - 200K+ new diagnoses per year
- Only ~250K doses of diazepam rectal gel prescribed annually, due to:
 - 18-step administration process increases caregiver burden
 - Patient dignity and respect
 - Inaccurate dosing
 - Time to administer
- Broad label access to epilepsy at launch that includes refractory seizures
- Potential to expand rescue prescribing to ~1.2M patients with refractory seizures who are not treated or sub-optimally treated

Epileptic Seizures: Rescue Therapy Market



Diastat (diazepam rectal gel)



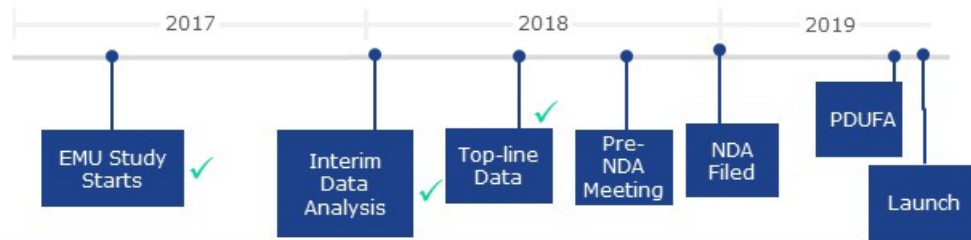
Libervant: Proprietary Formulation with Potential to Expand Patient Usage

Libervant™
(diazepam) buccal film



- Buccal film administration of diazepam
- Dissolves quickly and demonstrates rapid achievement of therapeutic blood levels
- In development as rescue therapy for breakthrough epileptic seizures
- Alternative to Diastat® (diazepam rectal gel)
- Adult EMU study topline data to be presented as two late-breaking poster presentations at AES, December 2018
- Pre-NDA meeting scheduled for mid December 2018
 - Prepared to commence rolling submission before year end assume positive meeting outcome
- Granted orphan drug designation and fast track designation

Libervant: Pivotal Trial Design and Expected Timing

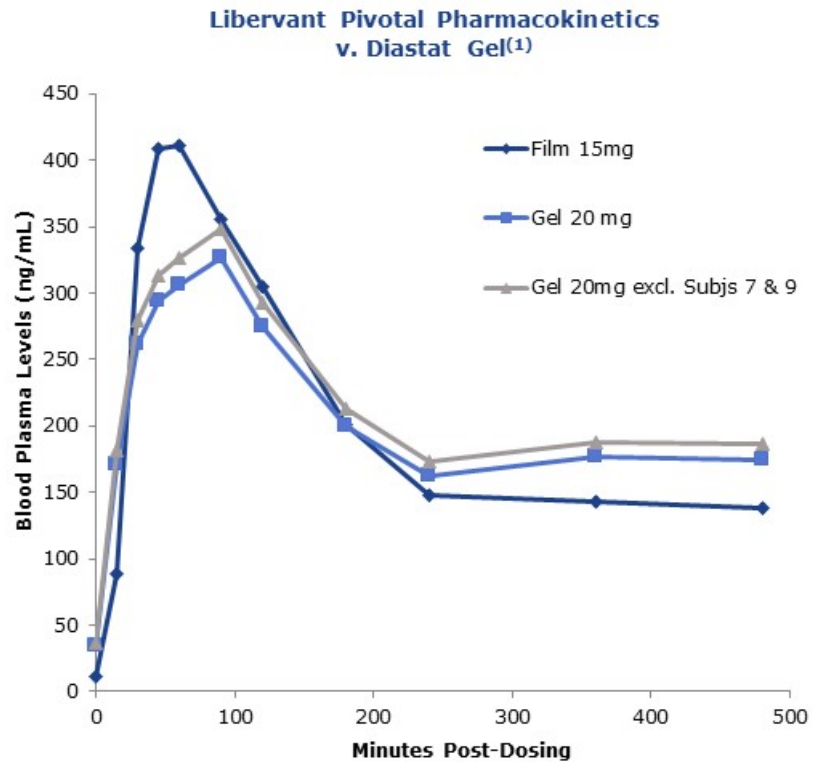


Study	Patient Group	Primary Objectives	Secondary Objectives
Dose Proportionality Study (#162013)	Healthy adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate dose proportional plasma levels for 5, 10 and 15mg doses 	
Pivotal Bioavailability Study (#162021)	Healthy adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compare pharmacokinetics and bioavailability in healthy subjects to reference product (diazepam rectal gel) 	
Adult EMU Study (#160326)	Adult patients with epilepsy (n=30)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compare the pharmacokinetics and bioavailability in subjects with epilepsy in interictal condition, when they are not experiencing seizures, versus the ictal/per-ictal condition, when they are experiencing seizures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate safety following single-dose administration Evaluate usability in the interictal and ictal/per-ictal conditions
Pediatric EMU Study (#160325)	Pediatric patients with epilepsy (n=16)		
Safety Study (#42-1703)	Children, adolescents and adults with refractory seizures (n=100)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety and tolerability of chronic intermittent use of diazepam buccal film assessed by examination for any pathological changes in the oral mucosa and gustatory changes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General safety-tolerability Evaluate usability, including quality of life measures

Additional clinical trials include a food effect, phase one study and a label comprehension study

Libervant: Healthy Volunteer Pivotal PK Data

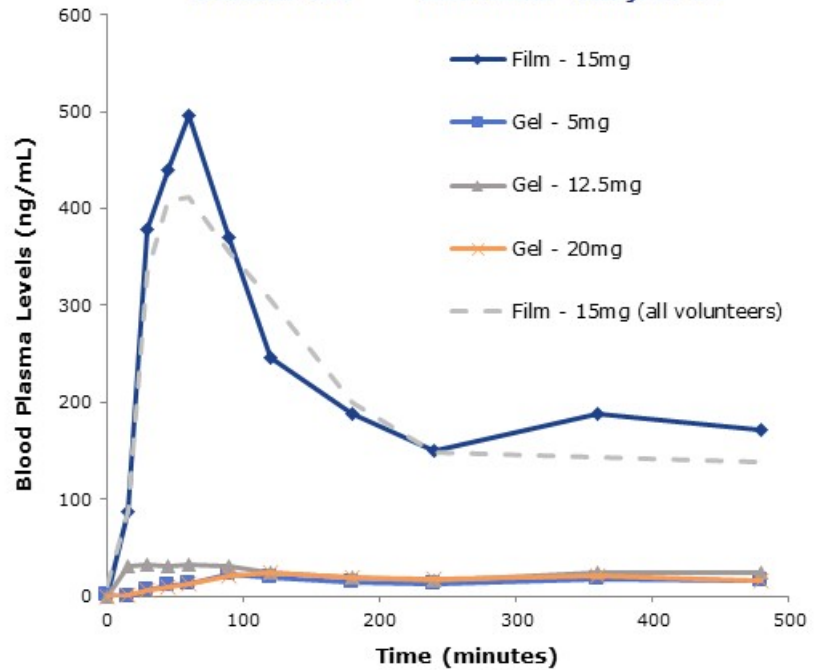
- Libervant produces peak diazepam plasma levels similar to diazepam rectal gel using lower doses of active ingredient
- Plot (right) shows 15 mg Libervant vs 20 mg Diastat
 - Less inter-subject variability compared to all doses of Diastat



Libervant: No 'Non-Responders'

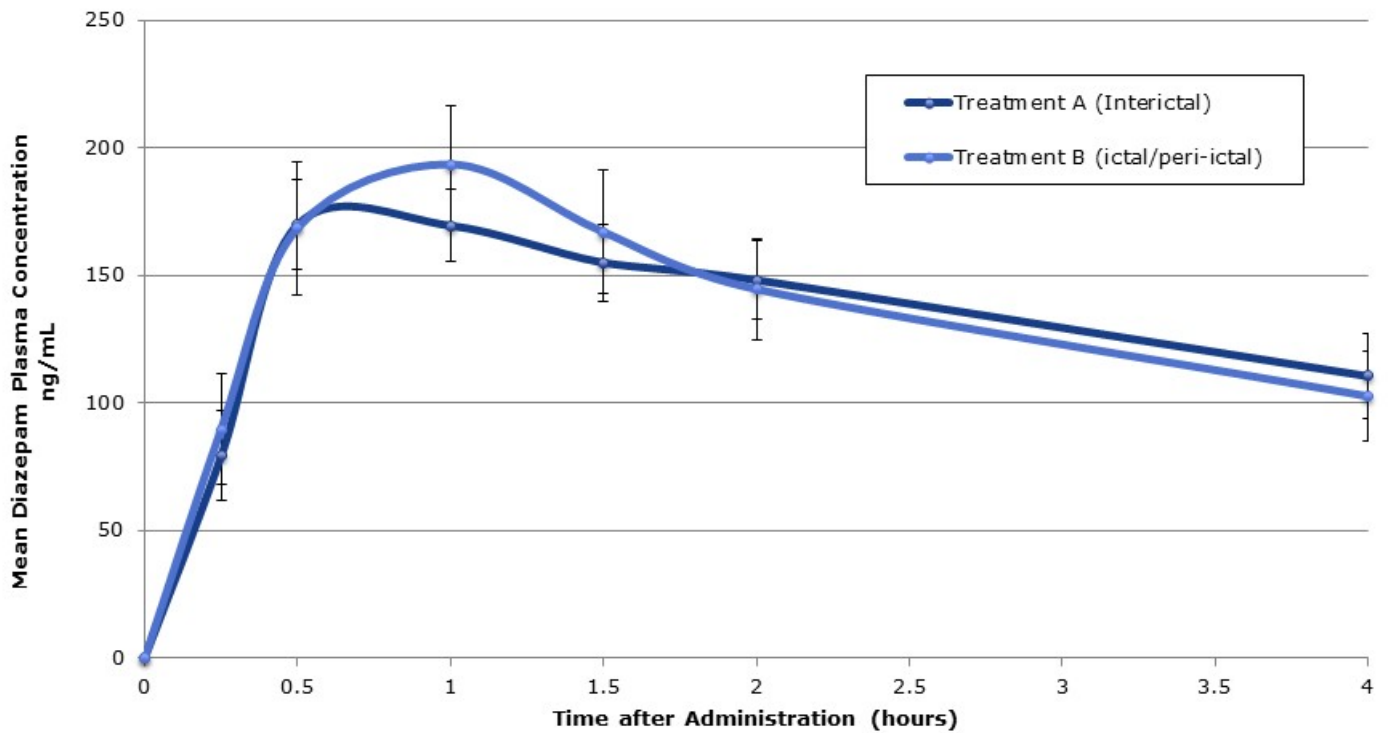
- Current standard of care (Diastat rectal gel):
 - Exhibits a population subset that does not obtain expected plasma concentrations of diazepam
- Libervant:
 - Consistent plasma concentrations
 - Even Diastat 'non-responders' received acceptable plasma concentrations with Libervant

Libervant: Pivotal Pharmacokinetics v. Diastat Gel⁽¹⁾ – Individual Subject #7



Libervant: Study Completed, Strong Results

Comparison of Subjects with Epilepsy Treated with DBSF 12.5mg in Interictal State vs. Ictal/Per-Ictal State



Based on comparison of 21 subjects with valid pharmacokinetic profiles for both Treatment A and Treatment B

Libervant: Adult EMU Safety & Tolerability

- Majority of the treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAE) in this study were classified as unrelated to study drug
- The most common adverse events that were classified as probably related to study drug were somnolence and dizziness and were relatively infrequent (overall frequency of 5.7% of subjects and 2.9% of subjects, respectively)

FREQUENCY OF PATIENTS EXPERIENCING TREATMENT-EMERGENT ADVERSE EVENTS CONSIDERED POSSIBLY OR PROBABLY RELATED TO STUDY DRUG AND NUMBER OF EVENTS - SAFETY POPULATION			
Adverse Events n (%)	Period A (N=33)	Period B (N=33)	Overall (N=35)
Somnolence	2 (6.1%)	0	2 (5.7%)
Dizziness	1 (3.0%)	0	1 (2.9%)
Hypoaesthesia	1 (3.0%)	0	1 (2.9%)
Nausea	0	1 (3.0%)	1 (2.9%)
Paraesthesia oral	1 (3.0%)	1 (3.0%)	1 (2.9%)

Exservan
(riluzole oral film)

Exservan (Riluzole)

- Oral soluble film formulation of riluzole for the treatment of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- Potential to be the only formulation of riluzole that doesn't require water or liquid for swallowing
- Completed a pilot PK and pivotal PK study, as well as a food effect study
- All studies successfully shown bioequivalence to the reference listed drug, Rilutek
- Recently completed Swallowing Safety Study
 - primary objective of the study was to evaluate the effect, if any, on swallowing safety in subjects with ALS
 - study successfully met its primary objective and shows that AQST-117 has no adverse effect on swallowing safety in subjects with ALS.
- Expect to submit an NDA by 1Q19



Complex Molecule Candidates & Partnered Products

AQST-108 (epinephrine): Injection to Oral

- 2017 injectable epinephrine market estimated to be approximately \$1.7B and over 3.5M total prescriptions
- Potential alternative to EpiPen® intramuscular injection, the market leader in anaphylaxis treatment
- AQST-108 has the potential to:
 - Reduce treatment burden
 - Lower costs to healthcare system
 - Allow for more accurate dosing and patient compliance during times of life threatening anaphylaxis after exposure to allergens
- Expect to initiate next clinical trial in 1H 2019

Auto-injector Delivery



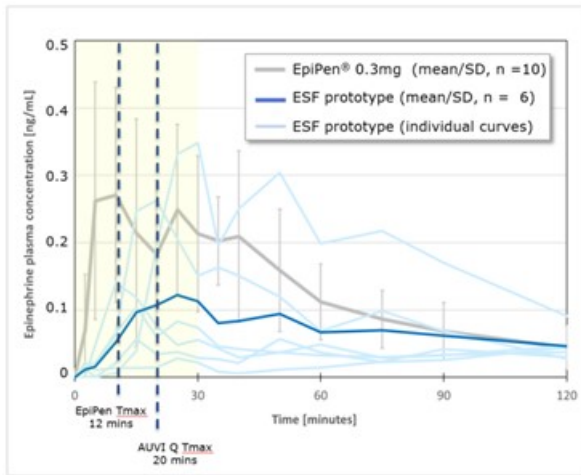
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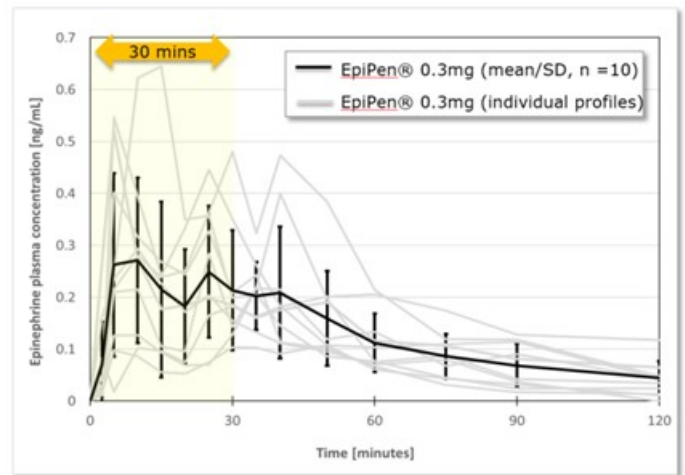
AQST-108 (epinephrine): Proof of Concept Study

- Successfully demonstrated ability to achieve significant oral absorption using PharmFilm technology
- Highlighted the variability inherent in EpiPen administration

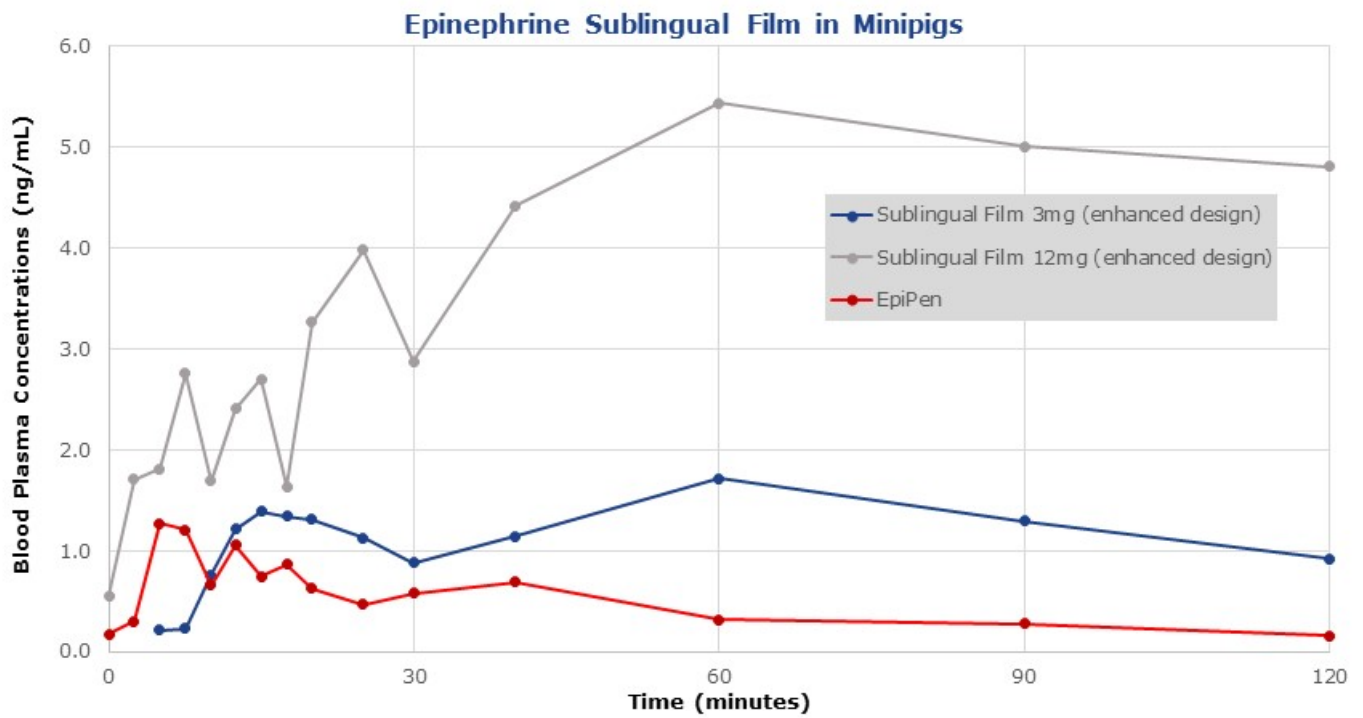
Mean profiles for Epinephrine Sublingual Film (ESF) compared to EpiPen® in Human Crossover Study



Mean profiles for EpiPen® in Human Crossover Study



AQST-108 (epinephrine): Optimized Formulation Appears Successful in Pig Model



AQST-305 (octreotide): Gateway to Peptides and Biologics via Sublingual Film

- Alternative to Sandostatin LAR®, a monthly depot injection
 - Market leader in treatment of acromegaly and neuroendocrine tumors
 - \$843 million in sales in 2017⁽¹⁾
- Twice daily administration of sublingual film eliminates need for monthly depot intramuscular injection
- Significant patient burden associated with Sandostatin
- Preclinical results demonstrated oral bioavailability levels of up to 10% vs. alternative technologies of <1%
- Dosed first patients in Q3 2018, with data by year-end 2018

Issues Associated with Sandostatin⁽²⁾:

Pain

Injection Site Reactions

Sub-optimal Symptom Control

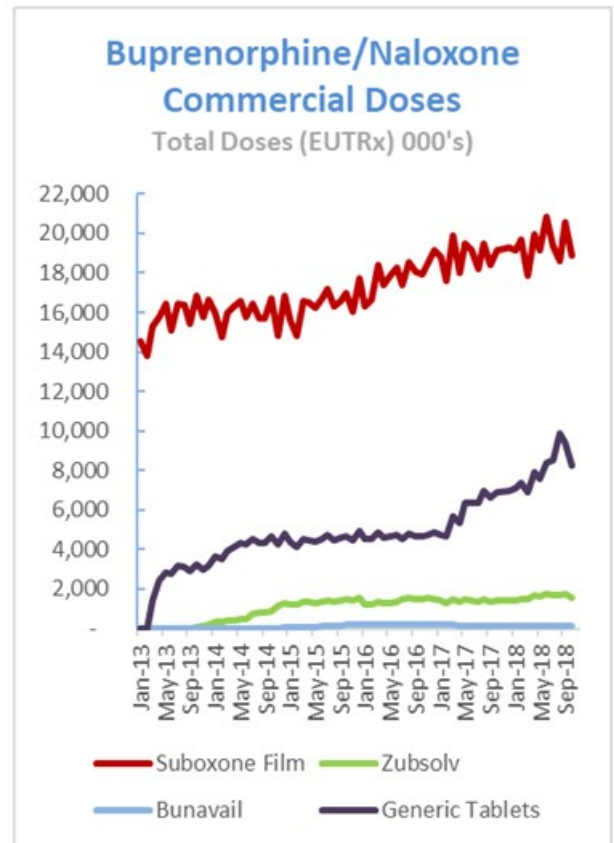
Emotional Impact

Missed Work Days

Validated Commercial Success of PharmFilm

Suboxone® Sublingual
(buprenorphine and naloxone) © **Film**

- Reduces potential for abuse and improves safety, compliance, dissolution, taste and texture
- Market leader for treatment of opioid addiction that affects more than two million people in the United States
- Over one billion doses delivered to patients
- Captured ~54% of total prescriptions in first 9 months 2018, despite 12 alternative competitors
- Aquestive is sole and exclusive worldwide developer and manufacturer of brand and authorized generic
- Aquestive volumes remain stable for 2018
- Future Aquestive volume driven by branded / CMS, authorized generic and non-US branded



Apomorphine (APL-130277): Late-Stage Partnership with Sunovion

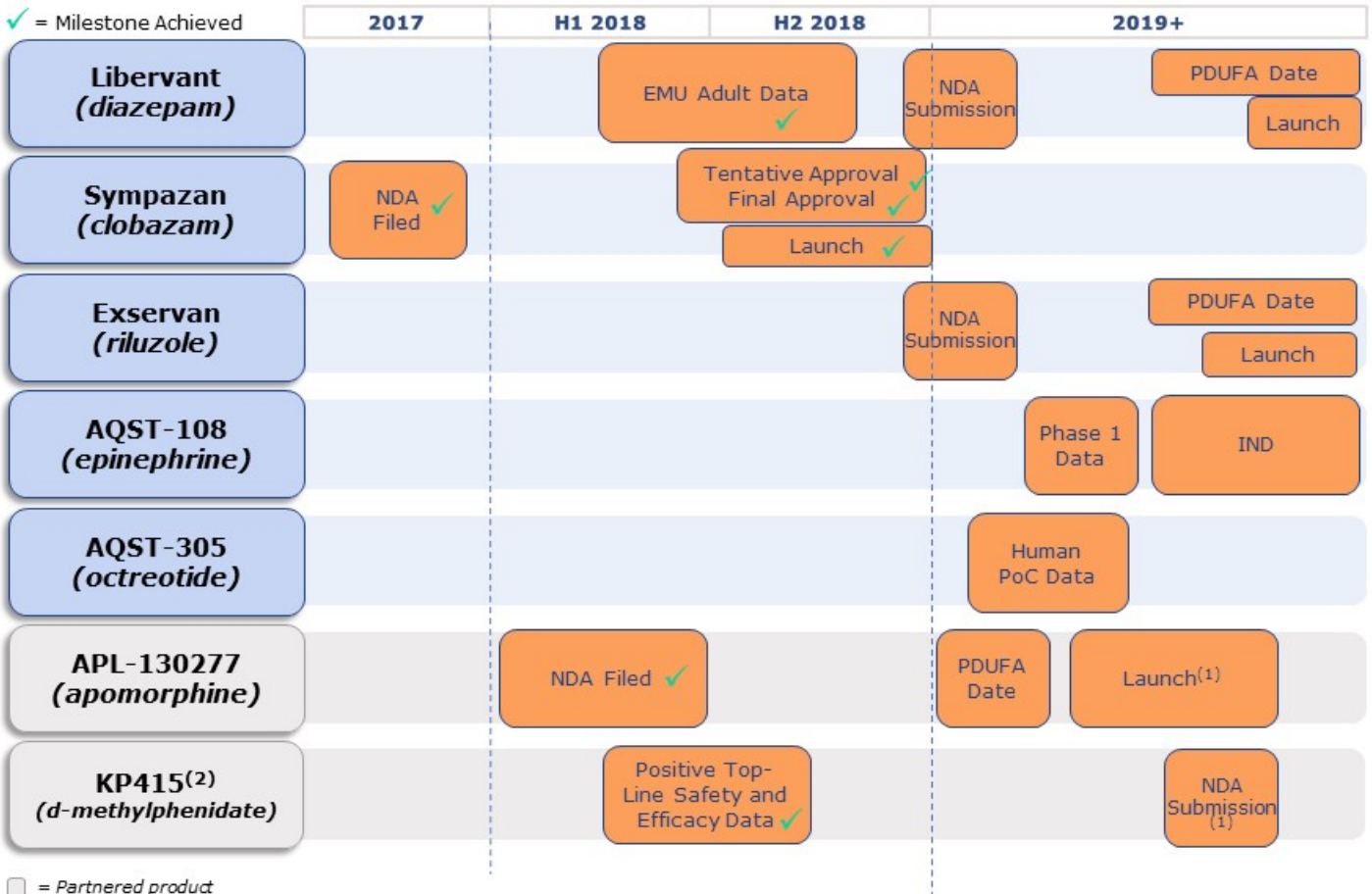
- Sunovion developed a sublingual film formulation of apomorphine utilizing Aquestive's PharmFilm technology
 - Currently delivered via injection (Apokyn Pen)
 - Aims to fulfill unmet need in patients with dysphagia
 - NDA under review for the treatment of patients with Parkinson's disease (PD) who experience motor fluctuations (OFF episodes) (affects ~500k U.S. patients)
- Reported positive top-line results from Phase 3 pivotal trial in January 2018
- PDUFA date in January 2019

Apokyn Pen: 7-Step Process⁽¹⁾



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