

The Post-Approval Challenges of Antimicrobial Development

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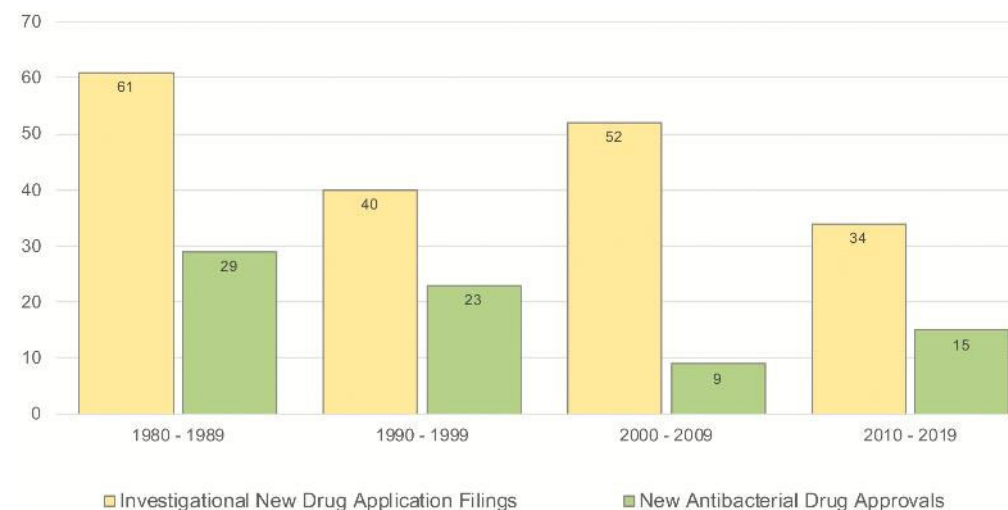
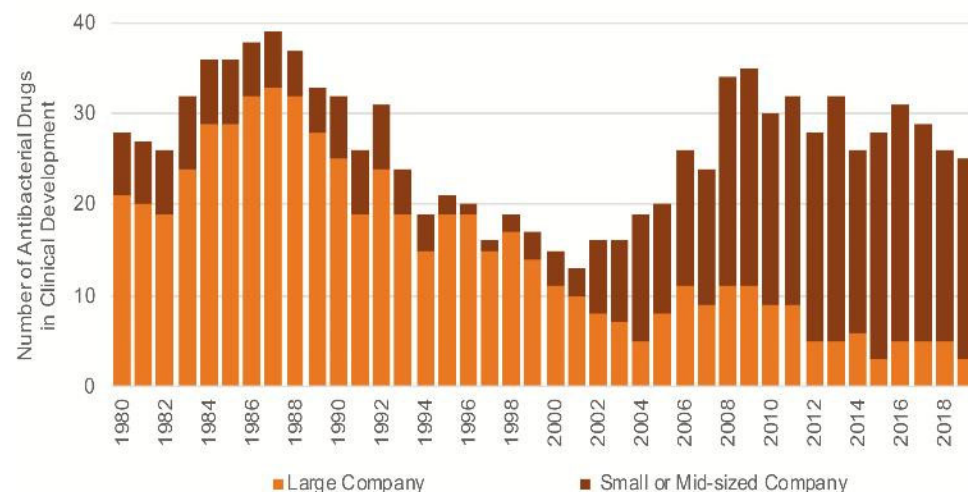
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Antibiotics - It's Not About the Size of Profit but Rather the Magnitude of the Loss

- The market does not support investment in new drugs
 - Revenue is significantly less than R&D and post-launch costs
 - 7+ years before an antibiotic makes enough money to pay annual costs of keeping it on the market
 - It takes 23 years (O'Neill AMR report) for an antibiotic to break even...just as the patent is expiring
- The shrinking pipeline mostly sits with small companies that can't absorb post-launch losses, increasing the risk that new drugs don't survive



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Why is the Marketplace so Challenging?

- We have a basic math problem:
 - There aren't a lot of patients and new drugs are reserved
 - New drugs cost a lot of money to keep on the market
 - The market does not accept the high prices needed to keep a rarely used drug on the market
- How drugs are developed vs. how they are used are different
 - Package insert and/or publications not always informative for formulary or treatment decisions
 - Treatment guidelines often recommend only off-label use, which the company can't promote
- AMR is a large problem, but individual resistance types are a rare disease
 - No antibiotic is designed to address “2.8 million people [that] get an antibiotic-resistant infection”



Focus of Today's Talk

- Required post-approval expenses are substantial - why?
 - **Post-marketing regulatory commitments**
 - **Manufacturing expense and availability in the U.S.**
 - AST development costs (see tomorrow's agenda)
 - Global Drug Safety/Pharmacovigilance infrastructure and reporting, Medical Affairs, Sales and Marketing
 - Resources:
 - [Bootcamp: Post-Approval Economics for New Antibiotics \(ASM/ESCMID 2019\) – REVIVE \(gardp.org\)](#)
- Post-approval revenue is typically low - why?
 - **True unmet need patients are uncommon to rare, but consequences are high**
 - **~70% mortality reported for invasive Gram-negative infections when effective therapy unavailable**
 - Formulary review, out of date breakpoints, stewardship, clinical data availability, etc.
 - Pricing and reimbursement challenges for the hospital
 - Resources:
 - [Why are new antibacterials failing as commercial products? – by Patricia A. Bradford – REVIVE \(gardp.org\)](#)
 - [Why is it so hard to develop new antibiotics? | Wellcome](#)
 - [New Antibiotics Development | Newsletter by John Rex | AMR Solutions](#)
 - [Home | AMR Review \(amr-review.org\)](#)

Expected 5-Year Expenses For A New Antibiotic Are Daunting

Not Shown: Sales, Marketing, Company Operations, and Employee Costs

Commitment	Single Indication, Minimum requirements	Two Indications Some safety signals	Several indications Expected broad use
Pediatric PK and Safety Studies	\$25M	\$50M	\$75M
Additional Phase 3 study	N/A	\$50M	\$75M
PK in Special Adult Populations	\$2M	\$3M	\$5M
Surveillance	\$3M	\$5M	\$5M
Pharmacovigilance	\$5M	\$5M	\$5M
Medical Affairs	\$50M	\$50M	\$50M
AST	\$7M	\$7M	\$7M
Drug Manufacturing	\$150M	\$250M	\$400M
Total	\$242M	\$420M	\$622M

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Clinical Expenses - Meeting Requirements for an Approved Product

- Post-marketing commitments/requirements
 - NDA approval letter describe PMRs/PMCs; publicly available
 - Pediatric study(s)
 - Additional safety/PK studies
 - Sometimes P3 “do overs” (!!!)
 - Microbiological surveillance
- Pharmacovigilance
 - Systems and staff to provide support and record/track/resolve any product concerns
 - Quarterly and annual reports to FDA; Drug safety update reports; Surveillance reports
- Medical Affairs
 - Medical information receives and responds to queries from HCPs
 - Can discuss “off-label” data to help HCPs understand data published but not in Package Insert
- Susceptibility testing devices (AST)
 - Required for labs to determine antibiotic susceptibility



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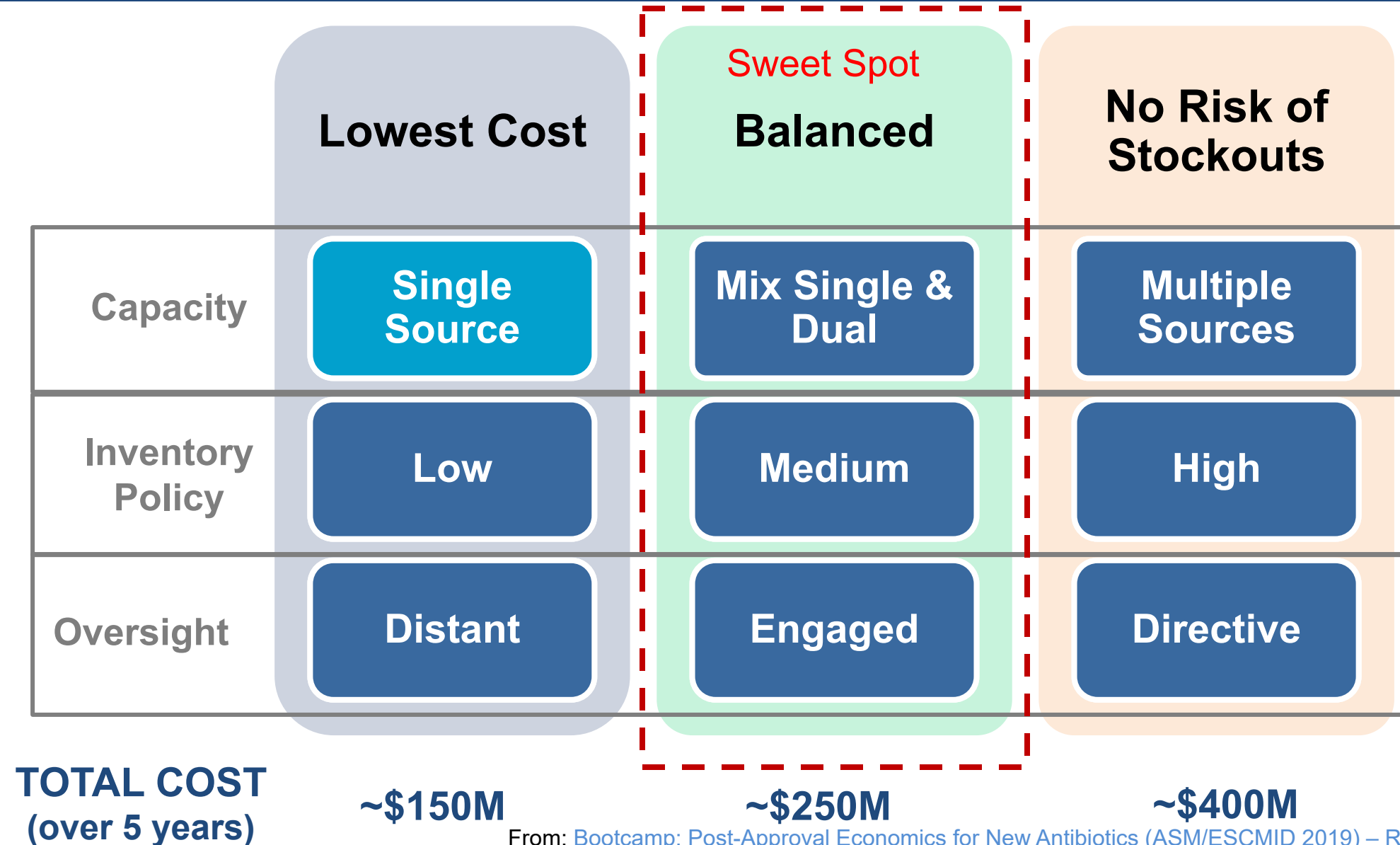
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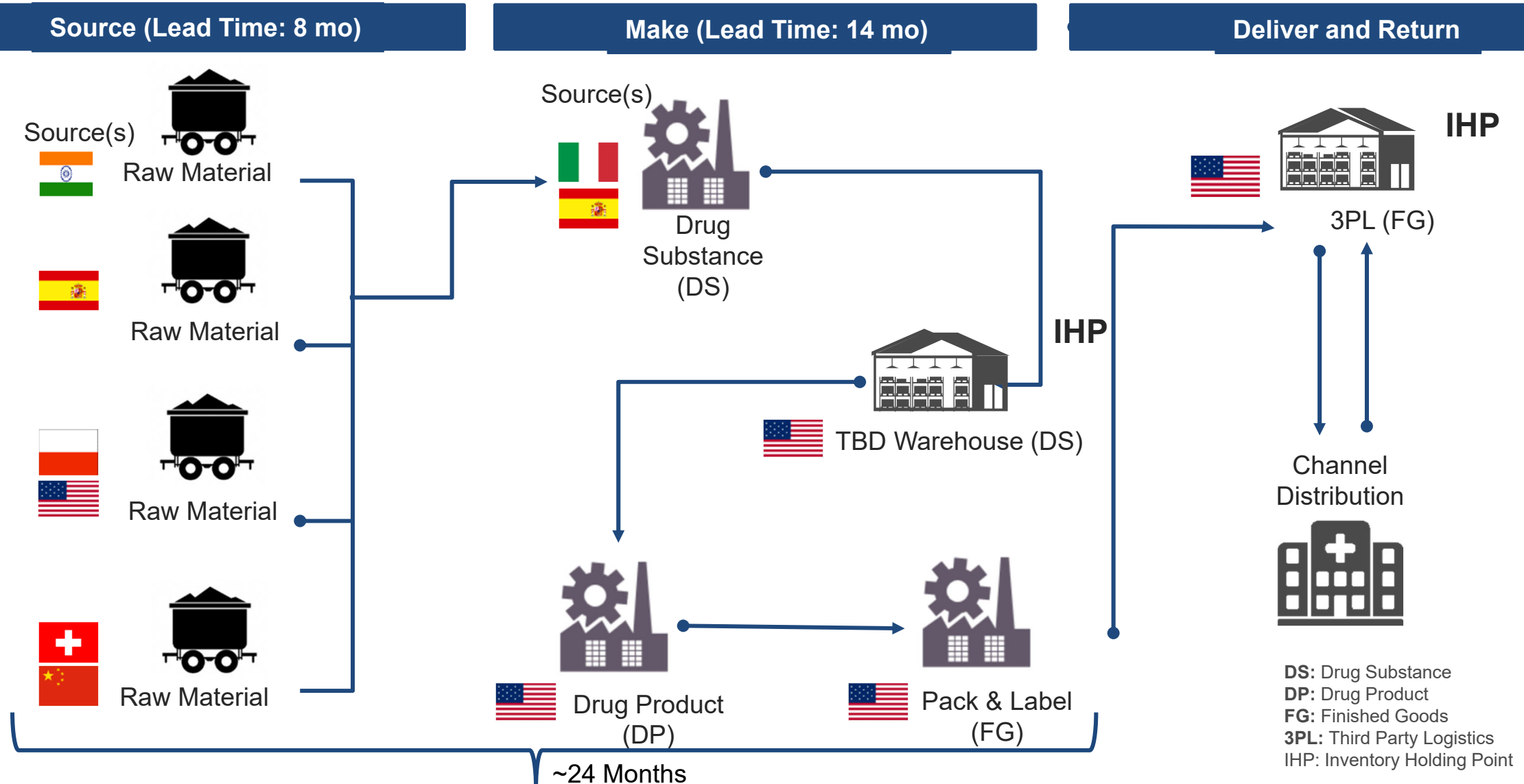
Manufacturing/Tech Ops Expenses

Key Decisions To Supply The Market Are Made At Risk



Potential Supply Chain Map

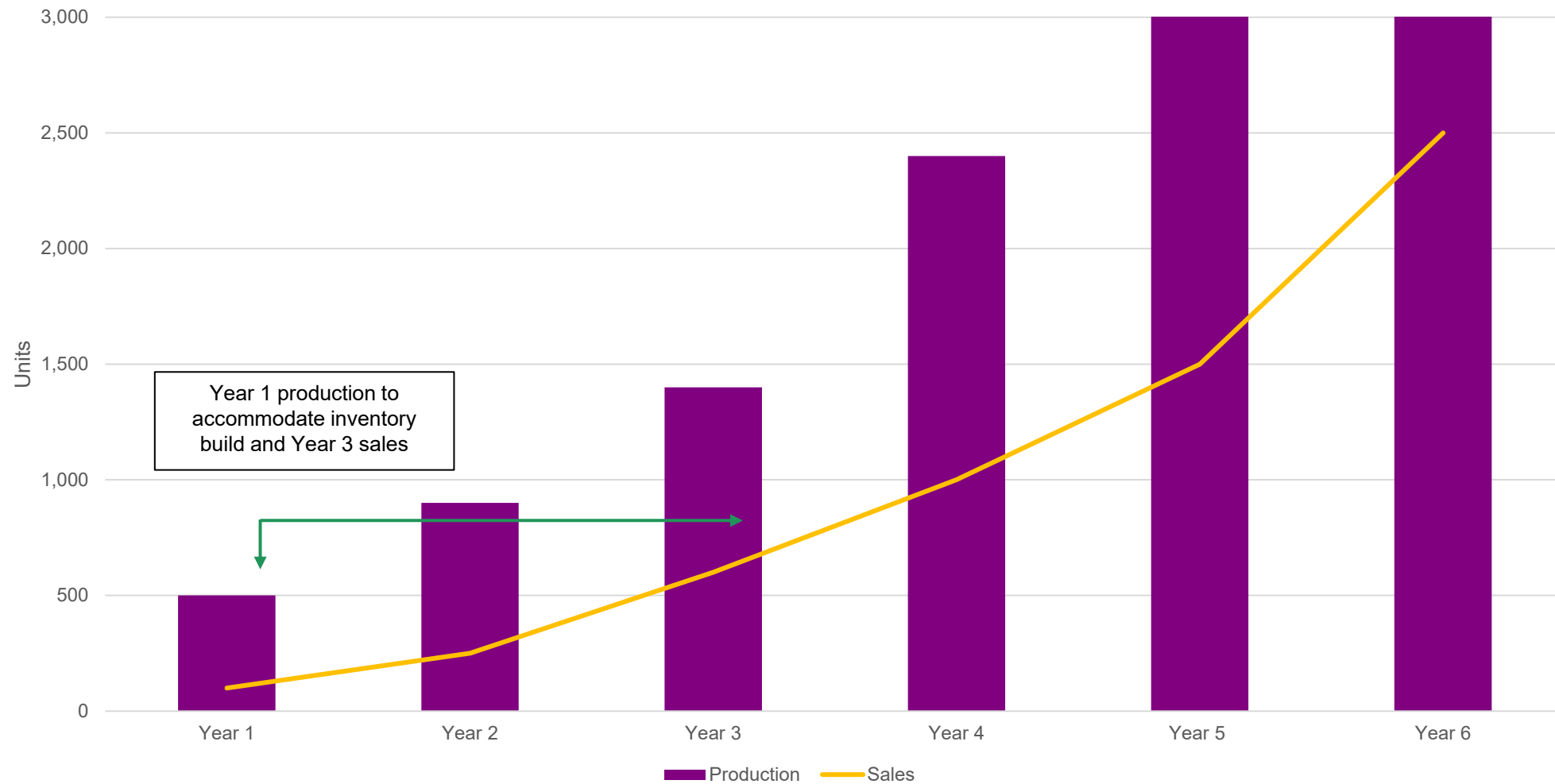
Few Manufacturers, Multiple Continents & Long Lead Times



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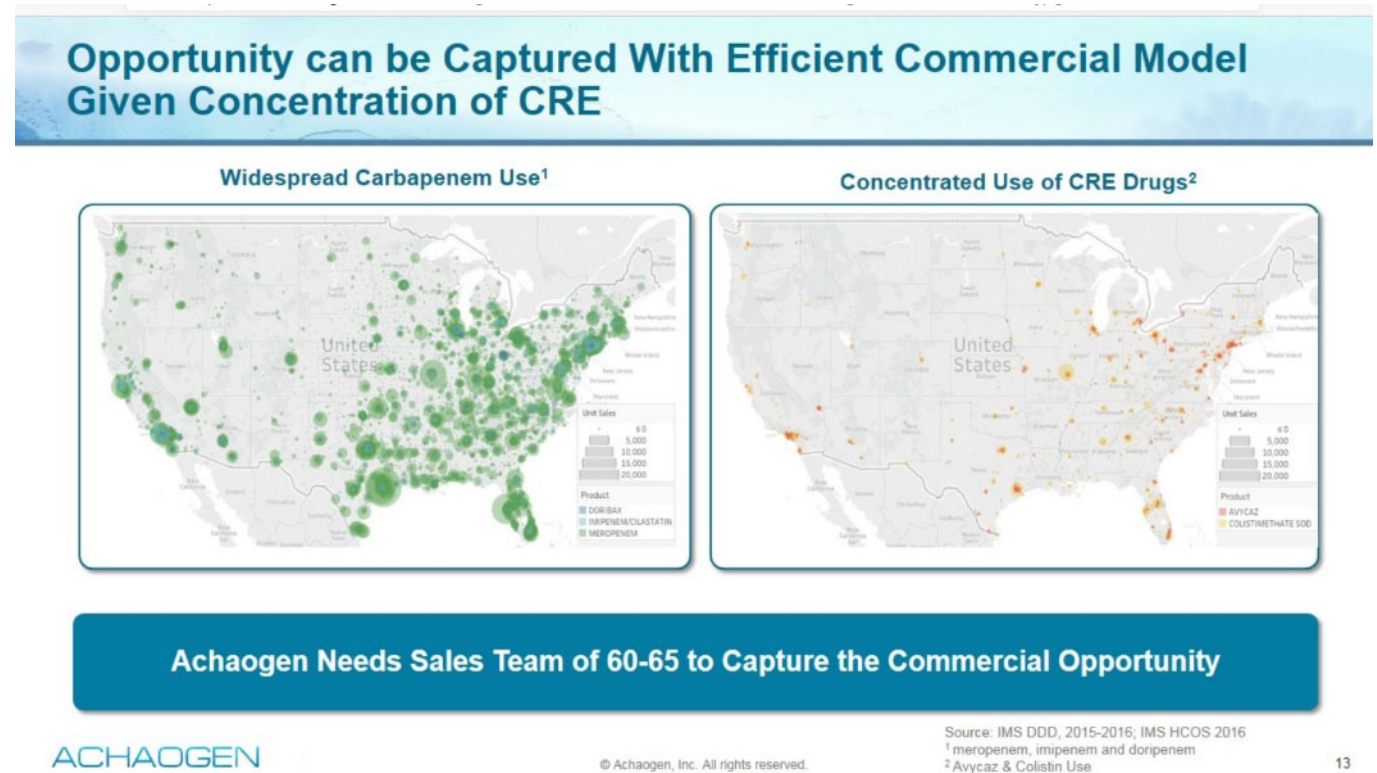
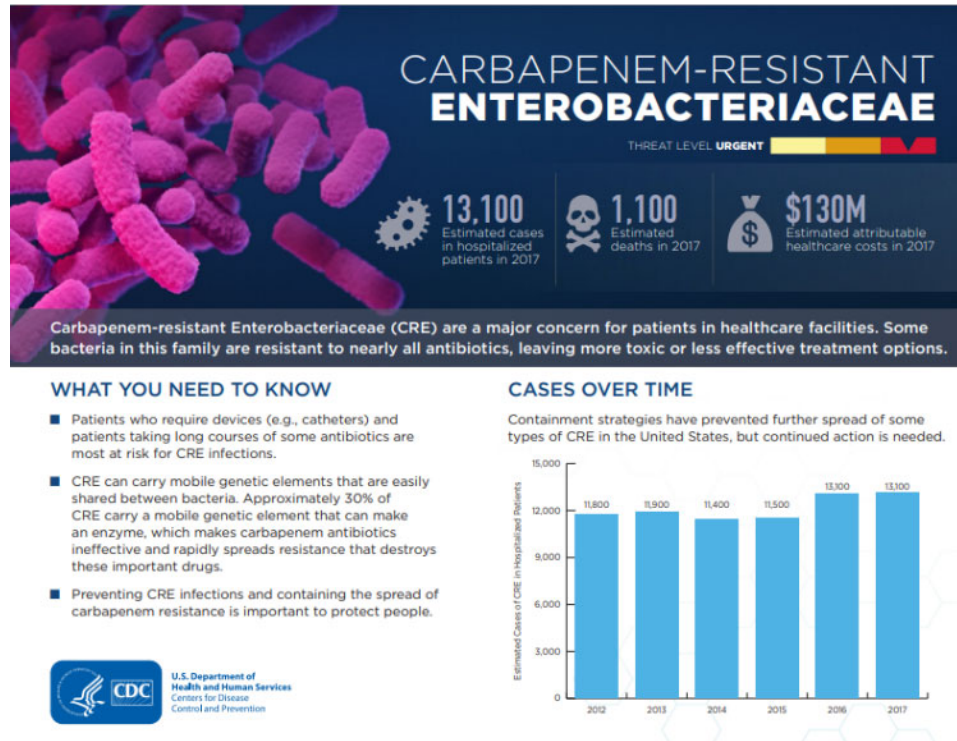
Drug Batches Takes Several Years To Complete

Manufacturing Expenses Incurred Years Before Product is Sold



New Drugs Are Focused On Individual Resistance Types, Not AMR

Example - The CRE U.S. Market is <0.5% of AMR Patients

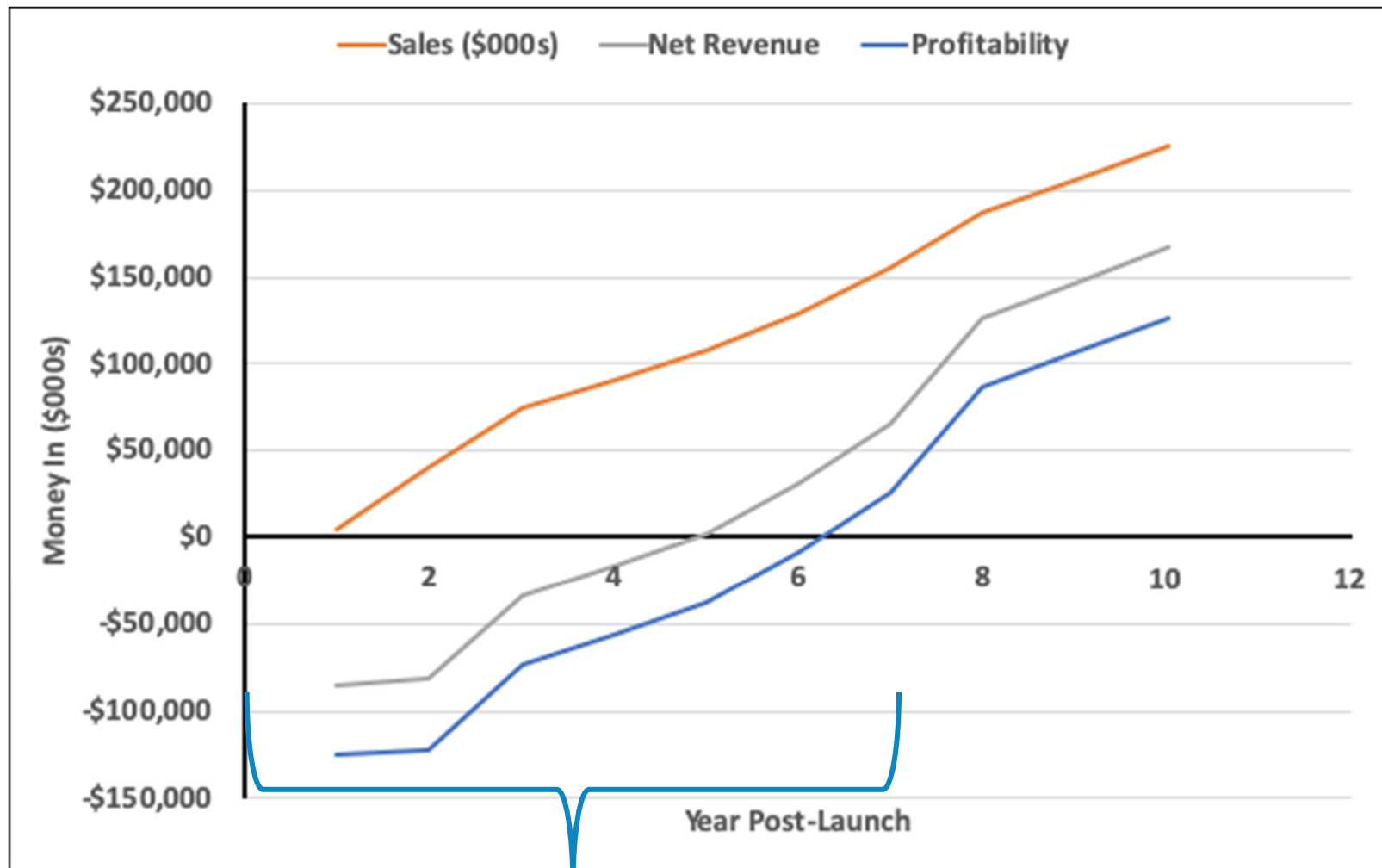


- CDC reports 13,100 CRE patients in the U.S. per year, but where are they?
- Need geographically dispersed (expensive) field teams to make sure drug gets to these patients
- **Need to charge \$50,000/treatment course for a drug that treats 2,500 patients per year to cover annual expenses of \$100m in a no-profit scenario**

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Illustrative Example - >\$420M cumulative shortfall vs. \$20M raise

These are real numbers averaged across many products!



- Self-sustaining revenue in Year 7
- Does not mean break-even point!
- \$500M - \$1B invested before launch not accounted for in this math
- These costs apply to companies of any size – requirements aren't reduced for a smaller company with fewer resources

-\$420M

Net Revenue = Sales – Clinical, Manufacturing, and Sales/Marketing Expenses

Profitability = Net Revenue – Company Operations (leases, salaries, finance, HR, etc.) of \$40M/year

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Can't Commercial Companies Always Raise Money?

- Raising Money is challenging in the face of a declining stock price
- Small company equity raises limited to ~20% of the market cap
- Illustrative Example:

10* antibiotic pure-play companies totaling \$1.76b in market cap
(as of 12/31/20 close)

\$176M average; Range \$7.7-\$527.3M

20% dilutive raise nets average \$35.2M, \$1.5 - \$105M at range limits

- We are still \$383M short!

Plus...Antibiotic Companies Stock Price Often Drops After Approval

- Positive clinical data drives up stock value pre-NDA
 - Seen as an inflection point and traditionally where M&A occurs
- Increased stock value and looming commercial investments trigger early investors to take profits
 - Broader investor base can mean more volatility
- At the same time, the company risk profile changes and increases
 - Will the drug be approved?
 - What will the final package insert say?
 - Will the launch meet expectations?
 - M&A doesn't materialize in the face of market challenges
- Any new institutional investor will want proof of commercial success
- Leads to the “Short the Launch” scenario
 - Single product companies lose 40% of market cap on average and see increase in short position at launch

Can't Commercial Companies Always Raise Money, Part 2?

- Investors know three things:
 - Launching a drug is incredibly expensive
 - Launches often underperform in the hospital and in the antibiotic space
 - Money invested at launch is likely to be further diluted later (i.e. first money in does not win)
- Companies may turn to debt, but it will be “expensive” at this point
 - High interest rates
 - Challenging covenants based on sales milestones
- Increasing financial strain decreases investor confidence
- Short interest begins to increase, putting further price on the stock
- Investors understand these financing challenges and will wait on the sidelines, making raising money that much tougher

Conclusions

- The cost to develop and maintain a branded antibiotic greatly outweigh the sales potential
- Economists would call working in the space an “irrational investment”
- Push incentives have saved the R&D pipeline for new drugs
- However, companies are largely in the negative once the product launches
 - Few to no financial options to maintain antibiotics on the market
 - Lack of exit options
- **Pull incentives are needed to keep these drugs on the market in even in the best-case scenario (is this enough?)**
 - DISARM Act – reimburse antibiotics outside of the bundled payment system – removes artificial cap/financial COI; should tolerate higher pricing
 - PASTEUR Act – award a bulk payment/subscription; removes pressure to push high volume
- **...or we need to accept disease/orphan like prices, otherwise we will no longer have new antibiotics**