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### **Speculative**

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## Sales Force Gaining Traction

#### Recommendation

Hold (Buy)
Price
\$0.45
Valuation
\$0.53 (previously \$0.55)
Risk
Speculative

#### **GICS Sector**

**Healthcare Equipment and Services** 

Expected Return	
Capital growth	17.8%
Dividend yield	0%
Total expected return	17.8%
Company Data & Ratio	os
Enterprise value	\$98m
Market cap	\$116m
Issued capital	257.9m
Free float	100%
Avg. daily val. (52wk)	\$81,000
12 month price range	\$0.255 - \$0.51

Price Performance						
	(1m)	(3m)	(12m)			
Price (A\$)	0.38	0.43	0.30			
Absolute (%)	15.79	3.53	49.15			
Rel market (%)	14.74	5.69	39.79			

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#### **All Territories Continuing To Build**

The Osprey 2Q17 update contained pleasing news for unit sales and revenues growth, however, we have downgraded our full year revenue forecast based on this result. Importantly the downgrade to earnings represents a slower than anticipated uptake in unit sales rather than a downgrade to the overall market size. FY17 and FY18 earnings are impacted, however we continue to believe the company will achieve breakeven in FY19.

The highlights of the 2Q17 result were the 42% quarter on quarter unit sales growth while maintaining average selling price of ~US\$355. Unit sales growth in the two established sales territories of San Antonio and Atlanta continued at approximately 15% (sequential). Also pleasing was the traction now evident in the 16 more recently established territories where average monthly unit sales per sales rep more than doubled, albeit still well short of breakeven.

On a company wide basis, total sales for 1H17 were 1,961 units (US\$698K). We now expect 2H17 sales of ~4,500 units (US\$1.6m).

Cash receipts for 1H17 were US\$584K (83% of revenues). Cash expenses for the half were approximately US\$7.0m which is modestly higher than forecast. At the end of the quarter cash reserves were US\$15.1m.

For FY17 the forecast NPAT loss is increased by US\$2.0m to \$US\$12.9m while in FY18, the forecast NPAT loss increases from US\$4.5m to US\$7.3m. There are no material changes to earnings for FY19.

Recommendation is reduced from Buy to Hold following recent share price movement. Valuation is amended to \$0.53 from \$0.55 following earnings changes.

We have made no allowance at this time for revenues from the recently announced DyeTect product due for full release in late calendar 2017. The product is highly complimentary to existing sales of Dyvert Plus and will be marketed by the same sales team. Future sales represent upside to our forecast revenues and earnings.

Earnings Forecast				
December Year End US\$m	FY16	FY17e	FY18e	FY19e
Revenues	0.6	2.3	10.6	29.8
EBITDA \$m	-11.6	-13.0	-7.7	4.7
NPAT (underlying) \$m	-11.7	-12.9	-7.3	5.1
NPAT (reported) \$m	-11.7	-12.9	-7.3	5.1
EPS underlying (cps)	-6.2	-5.0	-2.8	2.0
EPS growth %	-26%	20%	43%	na
PER (x)	-7.3	-9.0	-15.8	22.8
FCF yield (%)	-9%	-12%	-7%	3%
EV/EBITDA (x)	-7.9	-7.1	-11.9	19.6
Dividend (cps)	-	-	-	-
Franking	0%	0%	0%	0%
Yield %	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
ROE %	-54.2%	-149.1%	-557.7%	70.6%

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

# **Momentum Building**

We highlight the key statistics from the quarterly report as follows:

Figure 1 - Highlights from 2Q17									
	Q116	Q216	Q316	Q416	1Q17	2Q17	1H17	2H17e	
Total Unit sales	245	334	446	636	812	1,149	1,961	4,500	
Revenues (US\$'000)	87	119	156	223	290	408	698	1,598	
Purchasing hospitals	27	29	39	45	55	75			
Average unit sale per rep/month									
San Antonio	43	60	65	79	105	121			
Atlanta	6	28	39	47	78	91			
All other territories	na	na	3	5	5	11			

SOURCE: COMPANY DATA AND BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Total units sales for 1H17 were 1,961 relative to our forecast of 2,200. Revenues for the period were US\$698K relative to the forecast of US\$800K. On both measure the actuals were approximately 12% below forecast.

There were a number of highlights in the 2Q17 result.

- San Antonio continued to gather momentum increasing sequential quarter unit sales by 15%;
- Atlanta increased sequential quarter unit sales by 16%;
- Average monthly unit sales per sales rep in all other territories more than doubled (from 5 to 11). It is worthwhile to note that most of these 16 staff were hired in 2H16. We estimate an average length of time in the field of about 8 months; and
- The number of purchasing hospital increased by 36% in the quarter and the number of samples provided increased by 15%.

Each of these signals points towards continued strong growth in revenues for 2H17. All aspects of the result were pleasing despite the shortfall on our forecast.

The company will continue to expand its sales force with the addition of approximately 10 new reps in various new territories across the US commencing from now. We do not expect these will have any material impact on revenues until 1H18.

Notwithstanding this impressive growth, our prior full year estimate for the year ended December 2017 was for unit sales of 12,000. This implied approximately 10,000 unit sales in 2H17 and it appears unachievable. Nevertheless it is a delay in our short term forecast, not the long term outlook. We now expect the company will increase 2H17 unit sales by 129% over the first half to ~4,500 units (down from 10,000).

Our adjusted earnings profile is as follows.

Figure 2 - Earnings Changes											
	2017				2018			2019			
	Old	New	% Change	Old	New	% Change	Old	New	% Change		
Device sales	12,000	6,461	-46%	39,000	30,240	-22%	84,000	85,800	2%		
US\$m											
Revenues	4.2	2.3	-45%	13.3	10.6	-20%	27.2	29.8	10%		
EBITDA	-11.0	-13.0	-18%	-4.9	-7.7	-58%	4.2	4.7	12%		
NPAT	-10.9	-12.9	-18%	-4.5	-7.3	-63%	4.6	5.1	11%		
EPS	-4.2	-5.0	-19%	-1.7	-2.8	-68%	1.8	2.0	10%		

The key adjustments in FY17 and FY18 are the reductions to unit sales volumes and the addition of approximately \$500K in sales staff cost in FY17. There are no significant changes to the cost base for FY18 as we had previously allowed for this headcount expansion.

The sales force required to achieve the long term revenue projection is now in place

We have also amended the forecast in relation to the roll out for Europe, previously estimated to commence in FY18. The company now intends to achieve breakeven in the US prior to pursuing a roll out in Europe. Osprey now expects to become cash flow breakeven in late CY2019 which effectively delays the European roll out until 2020.

The net impact to revenues for the group is minimal as the enlarged US sales force of ~28 is higher than we had anticipated. The incremental revenue generation should compensate for the delayed European roll out.

In terms of this strategy change, delaying the roll out in Europe is sensible in our view. Pricing and margins in the US are likely to be significantly higher than Europe. Europe also requires a distributor model, hence is likely to be lower margin.

We have made no allowance at this time for revenues from the recently announced DyeTect product due for full release in late calendar 2017. DyeTect is designed to monitor (but not minimise) contrast usage in non-chronic kidney disease patients undergoing cardiac intervention involving use of contrast dye. The product is highly complimentary to existing sales of Dyvert Plus and will be marketed by the existing sales team. The product has been developed in response to market demand amongst existing hospital clients, hence strong reason to believe that a portion these clients will support the product.

The guidelines for adoption of DyeTect are not as compelling as they are for DyVert. Ideally contrast use should be kept to a minimum for all patients, however, patients with normal renal function have a very low risk of AKI (~5%). Nevertheless, at US\$149 the device is cheap to use.

The company estimates the annual revenue potential (of DyeTect across US & Europe) at \$525m (assuming full market penetration). In our view revenue of US\$0.5 - \$2m in the first year (2018) are reasonable (bearing in mind it will be for the US market only).

# **Key Risk Areas**

The clinical trial(s) which led to the approval of the first generation AVERT system and subsequent additions are now completed. Although these trials were ultimately not able to prove a reduction in CIN events, the claims for use of the product remain strong.

#### **Market Adoption Risk**

To achieve the sales revenue objectives, patients, physicians, hospitals and payers must accept the company's products, specifically the DyeVert™ system, for routine use. Regulatory approvals of the company's products, including US FDA approval, does not guarantee market adoption. Acceptance of the company's products in Europe and the US will be dependent on numerous factors, including but not necessarily limited to, market perception of the risk of CIN, risk benefit and cost-benefit analysis of the use of the company's products and reimbursement.

#### **Technical Risk**

The reasons for CIN are not fully understood by the medical community and are potentially multi-factorial and variable for each patient based on their health history and disease state. Given this patient variability there is no guarantee that minimising the amount of dye used will reduce the incidence of CIN.

#### **Intellectual Property Risk**

The company relies on its ability to obtain and maintain patent protection of products such as the DyeVert™ System. The company's patent portfolio comprises 8 issued US patents, 15 pending US patents, and 10 international patents. There are also National Stage Applications in the EU, Japan and Australia.

#### **Manufacturing and Product Quality Risk**

Osprey' products must also meet the regulatory requirements which are subject to continual review including inspections by regulatory authorities including the US FDA. Failure by the company or its suppliers to continuously comply with applicable regulatory requirements or failure to take satisfactory corrective action in response to adverse inspection, could result in enforcement actions, including a public warning letter, a shutdown of, or restrictions on, its manufacturing operations, delays in approving or clearing products, refusal to permit the import or export of its products or other enforcement action.

# **About Osprey Medical**

Osprey Medical is a US based company focused on the development and commercialisation of its proprietary DyeVert System. DyeVert aims to reduce the level of contrast used in certain diagnostic procedures involving the heart. Contrast Induced Nephropathy (CIN) is a serious medical condition related to kidney failure and is a side effect following use of contrast (dye) in angioplasty/cardiac stenting procedures.

Approximately 25% of patients undergoing angioplasty or cardiac stenting are at high risk of a CIN event due to their pre-existing kidney disease.

It is estimated there are up to 1.6m procedures (amongst high risk patients) conducted in the US each year that may benefit from the use of this technology. The DyeVert system has multiple measures aimed at minimising the volume of dye used, which should help reduce the number of CIN events in at risk patients.

Extensive clinical trials have now been completed in Australia, Europe and the US resulting in regulatory approvals in each of these jurisdictions.

In the US Osprey has its own dedicated sales force and does not use distributors and neither does the sales force sell any other products. It commenced marketing of the predecessor to DyeVert in 2014 with a single sales rep in Texas. Since then, it has consistently grown units sold and sampled. We expect this trend will continue as the company intends to expand the number of sales reps. In addition the company has added clinical specialists to assist the interventional cardiologist and nursing staff in their initial use of the system and training as required.

The conversion rate of hospitals upgrading from DyeVert samples to initial product orders remains high at approximately 85%. As the volume of samples expands, it is logical to assume commercial orders will follow.

There are four key drivers for physicians and hospitals to adopt the technology:

- Clinical trials proved there is up to 46% reduction in dye usage when the system
  is used as compared to when not used. The saving is highest in patients
  requiring multiple stents. Key opinion leaders in the US consistently advocate
  using less dye in order to reduce the risk of CIN events;
- Sub group analysis from the Avert trial showed a 49.5% reduction in the rate of CIN events in patients with grade 3 chronic kidney disease;
- Patients suffering a CIN event normally require additional hospitalisation for up to four days at a cost of up to \$10K per day to hospitals with little or no incremental payer reimbursement; and
- Medicare/Medicaid payments to hospitals are at risk if the rate of unplanned readmission for Medicare patients exceeds the national average. Targeted readmission includes heart failure and heart attack. Any patient admitted with chest pain is likely to meet this criteria. The penalties are severe and include a 3% revenue penalty on ALL Medicare payments to the effected hospital.

The company has invested approximately US\$50m in the development of the technology to this point where it is now approved in major markets and generating revenues in the US. The company expects to commence a roll out in Europe in 2018. We expect the company will become breakeven by FY19 when revenues are expected to exceed US\$20m.

# Osprey Medical as at 14 July 2017

Recommendation Hold, Speculative
Price \$0.45
Valuation \$0.53

Profit & Loss (US\$m)	FY15	FY16	FY17e	FY18e	FY19e	Valuation Ratios (US\$m)	FY15	FY16	FY17e	
ear Ending December						Reported EPS (cps)	-8.3	-6.2	-5.0	
Device unit sales	430	1,661	6,461	30,240	85,800	Normalised EPS (cps)	-8.3	-6.2	-5.0	
Net revenue from product sales	0.2	0.6	2.3	10.6	29.8	EPS grow th (%)	19%	-26%	20%	
COGS	-0.4	-0.7	-1.1	-2.6	-6.4	PE(x)	-5.4	-7.3	-9.0	
Gross profit	-0.2	0.3	1.1	8.0	23.4	EV/EBITDA (x)	-7.5	-7.9	-7.1	000000
GP margin	0%	50%	50%	76%	79%	EV/EBIT (x)	-7.5	-7.9	-7.1	
R&D incentive/Upfront receipts	-	-	-	-	-	LT/LDIT (X)	7.0	7.5		
Fotal revenues	0.2	0.6	2.3	10.6	29.8	NTA (cps)	7.4	8.3	3.3	
otal revenues	0.2	0.0	2.3	10.0	29.0	P/NTA (x)	6.1	5.4	13.4	
Other evenence	-12.0	44.4	111	45.0	40.0	* *	7.5		3.4	
Other expenses		-11.4	-14.1	-15.8	-18.8	Book Value (cps)		8.4		
BITDA	-12.2	-11.6	-13.0	-7.7	4.7	Price/Book (x)	6.0	5.4	13.3	
D&A	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1					
BIT	-12.2	-11.7	-13.1	-7.8	4.6	DPS (cps)	-	-	-	
						Payout ratio %	0%	0%	0%	
Sundry income	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.5	Dividend Yield %	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Pre tax profit	-12.2	-11.7	-12.9	-7.3	5.1	Franking %	170%	0%	0%	
ax expense	-	-	-	-	-	FCF yield %	-17%	-9%	-12%	
NPAT- normalised	-12.2	-11.7	-12.9	-7.3	5.1					
let abnormal items	_	-	-	-	-					
Reported NPAT	-12.2	-11.7	-12.9	-7.3	5.1	Net debt/Equity	0%	0%	0%	
						Net debt/Assets	0%	0%	0%	
Cashflow (US\$m)	FY15	FY16	FY17e	FY18e	FY19e	Gearing	0%	net cash	net cash	
Gross cashflow	-11.6	-10.5	-13.9	-8.5	3.4	Net debt/EBITDA (x)	n/a	n/a	n/a	
let interest	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.6	Interest cover (x)	n/a	n/a	n/a	
ax paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					
Operating cash flow	-11.4	-10.5	-13.7	-8.0	4.0	Unit sales		FY16	FY17e	
/aintenance capex	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	Europe				
Capitalised clinical trial spend	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	USA		1,661	6,461	
ree cash flow	-11.5	-10.9	-13.9	-8.2	3.8	Australia/Asia Pacific		-	-	
Business acquistions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Total unit sales		1,661	6,461	
Proceeds from issuance	11.9	21.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Average revenue per sale US\$'000		352	350	
Movement in investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Average revenue per sale 033 000		332	330	
						Holf Voor Fornings Split	1H16	2H16	11170	
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Half Year Earnings Split			1H17e	
Change in cash held	0.4	10.1	(13.9)	(8.2)	3.8	Unit sales	590	1,071	1,961	
Cash at beginning of period	11.3	11.8	21.8	7.9	(0.3)	Revenues	0.2	0.4	0.7	
Cash at year end	11.8	21.8	7.9	(0.3)	3.5	EBIT	-6.1	-5.6	-5.7	
						NPAT	-6.1	-5.6	-5.6	
Balance Sheet (US\$m)										
Cash	11.8	21.8	7.9	(0.3)	3.5					
Receivables	-	0.1	0.5	2.4	6.9					
Short term investments	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3					
Other current assets	0.1	-	-	-	-					
Property, Plant and Equipment	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8					
ntangible assets	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
otal assets	12.6	22.8	9.5	3.3	11.6					
rade payables /accruals	1.0	1.1	0.6	1.8	5.0					
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-					
Debt - interest bearing debt		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
otal Liabilities	1.0	1.2	0.7	1.9	5.1					
let Assets	11.6	21.6	8.8	1.4	6.5					
Share capital	64.8	86.5	86.5	86.5	86.5					
Retained earnings	(53.2)	(64.9)	(77.8)	(85.1)	(80.0)					
Retained earnings Reserves	(33.2)	(04.3)	(11.0)	(00.1)	(00.0)					
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SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

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#### **Recommendation structure**

Buy: Expect >15% total return on a 12 month view. For stocks regarded as 'Speculative' a return of >30% is expected.

**Hold:** Expect total return between -5% and 15% on a 12 month view

**Sell:** Expect <-5% total return on a 12 month view

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