



## Harmony Biosciences To Present WAKIX® (pitolisant) Efficacy and Safety Data at Upcoming 2021 American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting

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**Three presentations will feature analyses from the clinical development program that characterize the efficacy and safety profile of WAKIX in adult patients with narcolepsy**

PLYMOUTH MEETING, Pa., April 27, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Harmony Biosciences Holdings, Inc. ("the Company") (Nasdaq: HRMY), a pharmaceutical company dedicated to developing and commercializing innovative therapies for patients living with rare neurological disorders who have unmet medical needs, today announced that data from three analyses of the clinical development program for WAKIX® (pitolisant), a medication approved for the treatment of excessive daytime sleepiness or cataplexy in adults with narcolepsy, will be presented at the 2021 American Psychiatric Association (APA) Annual Meeting, to be held virtually May 1-3. Two of the three poster presentations feature analyses of efficacy and safety data from the clinical development program for WAKIX in adult patients with narcolepsy and the third is based on a post-hoc analysis that evaluated the time to onset of clinical response for WAKIX.



"Both excessive daytime sleepiness and cataplexy can have a significant impact on a person's daily functioning, which may greatly affect their social, emotional and psychological well-being," said Harmony's Chief Medical Officer, Jeffrey Dayno, M.D. "Given this, and the fact that sleep disorders are co-morbid with several different psychiatric disorders, we are pleased to share these data for WAKIX with the psychiatry and mental health professional communities for the first time."

The data to be presented by Harmony will be available from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT on May 1-3, and includes:

- **Efficacy and Safety of Pitolisant in the Treatment of Excessive Daytime Sleepiness in Adult Patients With Narcolepsy: A Review of Clinical Trials (Poster 4463).** *L Krahn, C Davis, J-C Schwartz, J Dayno.*
  - Analysis of results from HARMONY 1 and HARMONY 1bis, two pivotal randomized, placebo-controlled, 8-week trials that assessed the efficacy and safety of pitolisant for the treatment of excessive daytime sleepiness in adults with narcolepsy.
- **Efficacy of Pitolisant, a Selective Histamine 3 (H3)-Receptor Antagonist/Inverse Agonist, in the Treatment of Cataplexy in Patients With Narcolepsy (Poster 4460).** *M Thorpy, J-C Schwartz, C Caussé, J Dayno.*
  - A review of results from HARMONY 1, HARMONY 1bis, HARMONY CTP and HARMONY 3 Phase 3 clinical trials, which assessed safety and efficacy of pitolisant for the treatment of cataplexy in adults with narcolepsy.
- **Time Course of Improvement in Excessive Daytime Sleepiness and Cataplexy During Treatment with Pitolisant in Patients with Narcolepsy (Poster 4469).** *C Davis, J Dayno, B Vaughn, Y Dauvilliers, J-C Schwartz.*
  - Analysis evaluating the time-to-response to treatment with pitolisant for excessive daytime sleepiness and cataplexy from the HARMONY-1 and HARMONY-CTP randomized, placebo-controlled trials in adults with narcolepsy.

### About WAKIX® (pitolisant) Tablets

WAKIX, a first-in-class medication, is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of excessive daytime sleepiness or

cataplexy in adult patients with narcolepsy. WAKIX has been commercially available in the U.S. since Q4 2019. It was granted orphan drug designation for the treatment of narcolepsy in 2010. WAKIX is a selective histamine 3 (H<sub>3</sub>) receptor antagonist/inverse agonist. The mechanism of action of WAKIX is unclear; however, its efficacy could be mediated through its activity at H<sub>3</sub> receptors, thereby increasing the synthesis and release of histamine, a wake promoting neurotransmitter. WAKIX was designed and developed by Bioprojet (France). Harmony has an exclusive license from Bioprojet to develop, manufacture and commercialize pitolisant in the United States.

### **Important Safety Information**

WAKIX is contraindicated in patients with known hypersensitivity to pitolisant or any component of the formulation and in patients with severe hepatic impairment. WAKIX is extensively metabolized by the liver and there is a significant increase in WAKIX exposure in patients with moderate impairment.

WAKIX prolongs the QT interval. Avoid use of WAKIX in patients with known QT prolongation or in combination with other drugs known to prolong the QT interval. Avoid use of WAKIX in patients with a history of cardiac arrhythmias, as well as other circumstances that may increase the risk of the occurrence of torsade de pointes or sudden death, including symptomatic bradycardia, hypokalemia or hypomagnesemia, and the presence of congenital prolongation of the QT interval.

The risk of QT prolongation may be greater in patients with hepatic or renal impairment due to higher concentrations of pitolisant; monitor these patients for increased QTc. Dosage modification is recommended in patients with moderate hepatic impairment and moderate or severe renal impairment. WAKIX is not recommended in patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD).

In the placebo-controlled clinical trials conducted in patients with narcolepsy with or without cataplexy, the most common adverse reactions (≥5% and twice placebo) for WAKIX were insomnia (6%), nausea (6%), and anxiety (5%). Other adverse reactions that occurred at ≥2% and more frequently than in patients treated with placebo included headache, upper respiratory infection, musculoskeletal pain, heart rate increased, hallucinations, irritability, abdominal pain, sleep disturbance, decreased appetite, cataplexy, dry mouth, and rash.

Please see the [Full Prescribing Information](#) for WAKIX for more information.

### **About Narcolepsy**

Narcolepsy is a rare, chronic, debilitating neurological disorder of sleep-wake state instability that impacts approximately 165,000 Americans and is primarily characterized by excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS) and cataplexy – its two cardinal symptoms – along with other manifestations of REM sleep dysregulation, which intrude into wakefulness. EDS is the inability to stay awake and alert during the day and is the symptom that is present in all people living with narcolepsy. In most patients, narcolepsy is caused by the loss of hypocretin, a neuropeptide in the brain that supports sleep-wake state stability. This disorder affects men and women equally, with typical symptom onset in adolescence or young adulthood; however, it can take up to a decade to be properly diagnosed.

### **About Harmony Biosciences**

Harmony Biosciences is a pharmaceutical company headquartered in Plymouth Meeting, PA. The company was established by Paragon Biosciences, LLC, with a vision to provide novel treatment options for people living with rare neurological disorders who have unmet medical needs. For more information on Harmony Biosciences, please visit the company's website: [www.harmonybiosciences.com](http://www.harmonybiosciences.com).

### **Forward Looking Statement**

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