

Verona Pharma

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Verona Pharma can make real difference to COPD market believes CEO Karlsson

Jan-Anders Karlsson says the recent strengthening of its management team has given Verona Pharma PLC (LON:VRP) the experience to take its respiratory disease treatment Ensifentrine to market.

The COPD drug is undergoing a phase IIb trial with 400 very severe sufferers who use a nebulizer.

Results are expected around the end of the year and Karlsson, the Aim and Nasdaq-listed group's chief executive, believes Ensifentrine can make a real difference both to people with severe forms of the disease and earlier-stage sufferers.

"It's a new mechanism, a new compound and a new mode of action," he tells Proactive's Andrew Scott.

"We can help people who have nowhere else to go."

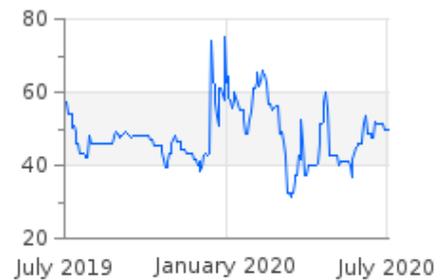
Talks are already ongoing with possible partners about commercialising the drug, though Karlsson believes Verona can market it on its own in the US.

"It's elsewhere we will need some help," he says.

Price: 49.5

Market Cap: £52.71 m

1 Year Share Price Graph



Share Information

Code: VRP

Listing: AIM

52 week	High	Low
	102	28.6

Sector: Pharma & Biotech

Website: www.veronapharma.com

Company Synopsis:

Verona Pharma plc is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of innovative prescription medicines to treat respiratory diseases with significant unmet medical needs, such as COPD, cystic fibrosis and asthma.

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