### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)** 

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

March 7, 2024

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

### **ARS Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-39756 (Commission File Number) 81-1489190 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 92130 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 771-9307

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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11682 El Camino Real, Suite 120 San Diego, California (Address of principal executive offices)

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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each show	Trading	Name of each exchange	
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	on which registered	
Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	SPRY	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	

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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 7, 2024, ARS Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") announced in its corporate presentation that as of December 31, 2023, it had approximately \$228 million in cash and short-term investments.

The information in this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on 8-K is furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any other filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission made by the Company, whether made before or after today's date, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific references in such filing.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 7, 2024, the Company updated its corporate presentation for use in meetings with investors, analysts and others. The presentation is available through the Company's website and a copy is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act. The information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any other filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission made by the Company, whether made before or after today's date, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific references in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Company Presentation, dated March 7, 2024.

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

#### SIGNATURES

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.

Date: March 7, 2024

#### ARS Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

 By:
 /s/ Richard Lowenthal, M.S., MBA

 Name:
 Richard Lowenthal, M.S., MBA

 Title:
 President and Chief Executive Officer



## **Forward Looking Statements**

Statements in this presentation that are not purely historical in nature are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements in this presentation include, without limitation, statements regarding: ARS Pharma's plan to file its NDA early in the second quarter of 2024, with an anticipated PDUFA action date and launch of neffy, if approved, in the second half of 2024; the timing of the EMA's decision and submissions to other foreign regulatory authorities; the potential market, demand and expansion opportunities for neffy; ARS Pharma's expected competitive position; whether the results will be sufficient to demonstrate that neffy is at least as effective as injectable epinephrine; the timelines for potential regulatory filings, approvals and commercialization of neffy in ex-US regions; ARS Pharma's marketing and commercialization strategies, including potential partnerships in foreign jurisdictions; potential benefits of neffy, if approved, including the likelihood that doctors will prescribe neffy and that allergy patients and caregivers will choose to carry and dose neffy compared to needle-bearing options; the expectation of neffy attaining coverage, including without restriction for 80% of commercial lives within a year of launch; ARS Pharma's anticipated cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments on hand upon any future approval and launch of neffy; the expected size, composition and reach of ARS Pharma's sales force; the availability and functionality of neffyExperience and neffyConnect; the anticipated pricing and co-pay buydown; the anticipated timing and costs of future studies and commercialization efforts, and their impact on operating runway; ARS Pharma's projected operating runway; expected intellectual property protection; and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. These forward-looking statements are subject to the safe harbor provisions under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Because such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Words such as "anticipate," "could," "demonstrate," "expect," "indicate," "may," "plan," "potential," "will" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based upon ARS Pharma's current expectations and involve assumptions that may never materialize or may prove to be incorrect. Actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements as a result of various risks and uncertainties, which include, without limitation: the PDUFA target action date may be further delayed due to various factors outside ARS Pharma's control; the ability to obtain and maintain regulatory approval for neffy; the results of the new clinical trial may not support the approval of *neffy*; results from clinical trials may not be indicative of results that may be observed in the future; potential safety and other complications from *neffy*; the labelling for neffy, if approved; the scope, progress and expansion of developing and commercializing neffy; potential for payers to delay, limit, or deny coverage for neffy; the size and growth of the market therefor and the rate and degree of market acceptance thereof vis-à-vis intramuscular injectable products; ARS Pharma's ability to protect its intellectual property position; uncertainties related to capital requirements; and the impact of government laws and regulations. Additional risks and uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements are included under the caption "Risk Factors" in ARS Pharma's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2023, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on November 9, 2023. This and other documents ARS Pharma files with the SEC can also be accessed on ARS Pharma's website at ir.ars-pharma.com by clicking on the link "Financials & Filings" under the "Investors & Media" tab.

The forward-looking statements included in this presentation are made only as of the date hereof. ARS Pharma assumes no obligation and does not intend to update these forward-looking statements, except as required by law.



## **Today's Speakers**



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## Potential to Transform the Treatment of Type I Allergic Reactions

- neffy<sup>®</sup>: first potential "no needle, no injection" solution for Type I allergic reactions to address an unmet market need
- Registration program demonstrates comparable PK and PD, without risk of needle-related safety concerns, fear and hesitation
- Rapid and statistically significant response on PD surrogates for efficacy (SBP, HR) observed even 1 minute after dosing with *neffy* vs. injection
- Significant opportunity to disrupt current epinephrine injectables market
- Completed repeat dose NAC study requested by FDA in Sept 2023 CRL
- NDA on track to respond to FDA CRL by early Q2 2024, with FDA action date and potential US launch in H2 2024
- Potential multi-billion-dollar market driven by HCP and consumer preference and adoption
- NCE-like IP exclusivity potential until at least 2038
- \$228 million in cash and short-term investments as of 12/31/2023 with an anticipated \$195 million at anticipated FDA action in H2 2024



## What We Will Cover Today



Unmet need in type I allergic reactions including anaphylaxis *Dr. Jonathan Spergel* 



*neffy* clinical profile, registrational studies *Richard Lowenthal* 



*neffy* benefit-risk for type I allergic reactions including anaphylaxis *Dr. Thomas Casale* 

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US market opportunity and commercialization strategy *Eric Karas* 

### Unmet Need / Current Challenges Vast Majority of Type I Allergy Patients Face Significant Limitations with Current Treatment Options

PROBLEM <u>ONLY 10% - 20%</u> of patients with active Rx use as indicated <sup>7</sup>	NO TREATMENT AVAILABLE ~50% of patients carry <sup>1</sup> (<20% carry two)	REFUSAL OF TREATMENT ~25% - 60% do not administer <sup>1,35,6</sup>	DELAY IN TREATMENT ~40% - 60% of patients delay <sup>2</sup>	USER ERROR IN TREATMENT 23% - 35% fail to dose correctly <sup>4</sup>
neffy SOLUTIONS	<ul> <li>SMALL</li> <li>Fits in your pocket; can carry more than 1</li> <li>~10% of cases require repeat doses of epinephrine<sup>1</sup></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NO NEEDLE NO INJECTION</li> <li>Rapid administration without a needle</li> <li>No risk of needle-related injuries; lacerations<sup>2</sup> or cardiotoxic blood vessel injections</li> <li>Less hesitation to dose</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>EASIER AND MORE CONSISTENT DOSING</li> <li>0% critical dosing errors in registration self-administration study</li> <li>High bioavailability, low 2 mg dose of <i>neffy</i> achieves comparable PK without overexposure risk</li> </ul>	RELIABLE 99.999% delivery of effective dose in reliability testing; no inhalation required 24 month shelf-life at room temperature, with up to 3 months at high temperatures (122°F)

References: 1. Warren CM, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2018. 2. Rooney E, et al. Poster Presentation at ACA4/2022 (Louisville, KY). 3. Brooks C, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2017. 4. El Turki A, et al. Emerg Med J. 2017. 5. Asthma and Allergy Foundation of American Patient Survey Report 2019. 6. Mehta GD, et al. Expert Rev Clin Immunol. 2023. 7. ARS company estimates based on IQVIA data and references 1 through 6.

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## Type I Allergies & Unmet Needs



Jonathan M. Spergel, M.D., Ph.D. Professor of Pediatrics Chief of the Allergy Program Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

## **Type I Allergic Reactions: Systemic Hypersensitivity Reaction**

~40 Million people in US with systemic Type I allergic reaction to allergens More than

## 500,000 ER visits

each year due to systemic Type I allergic reactions<sup>1</sup>, costing an average of \$1600+ per visit<sup>2</sup>





Caused by exposure to a **specific allergen**, most commonly **food**, **venom**, **drugs**  Significant co-morbidities and symptomatic impact on quality of life.



Other Type I allergy indications (e.g. urticaria flares)

9 References: 1. Carillo-Martin I, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract 2020. 2. BlueCross BlueShield of America. Childhood Allergies in America 2018 Images reproduced with permission



## **Anaphylaxis Diagnosis Criteria and Symptoms**



References: 1. Shaker MS, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 2. Pistiner M, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2021. 3. Jalil M, et al. Abstract at AAA4/2020 Virtual Meeting. 4. Gonzelez-Estrada A, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2016. 8. Lee S, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2014. 7. Manavanan V, et al. Am J Emergy Med. 2014. 8. Wood RA, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2014. 9. Walsh KE, et al. Pharmacoepidemic Drug Saf 2013. 10. Decker WW, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2006. 11. Ross MP, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2015. 4. Lee S, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2016. 19. Web J MS. Et J Web J MS. 12. Webb J MS. Lebeman P. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 1996. 14. Rudders SA, et al. Pediatrics. 2010. Note that some publications do not specify angioedema symptom subtype. Angioedema subtype frequency aggregated when reported.

# Most frequently reported symptoms are difficulty breathing, angioedema (face, lips, tongue, larynx) and urticaria (hives)











11 References: 1. LoVerde D, et al. Chest. 2018. 2. Images reproduced with permission

## **Epinephrine: Well Known Mechanism of Action**

Adrenergic Receptor	Pharmacological Effect of Epinephrine	Clinical Effect of Epinephrine		
$\beta_2$	<ul> <li>Stabilizes mast cells and basophils - Inhibits inflammatory mediators</li> <li>Relaxation of bronchial smooth muscles</li> <li>Vasodilation in skeletal vasculature</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reverses pathological histamine cascade</li> <li>Increase in bronchial airflow</li> <li>Increases blood to skeletal muscle</li> </ul>		
β1	Increases blood pressure and heart rate	Relieves hypotension and shock		
α1	<ul> <li>Increases systolic blood pressure</li> <li>Causes blood vessel constriction</li> <li>Decreases mucosal edema</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Relieves hypotension and shock</li><li>Relieves upper airway obstruction</li></ul>		

## Second Dose Demonstrates Similar Efficacy Between IM and Autoinjectors (the only FDA approved products today)



- Analysis of 12 studies with 100% autoinjector (≥ 80% EpiPen) or 100% IM-needle-and-syringe use in community or ED setting<sup>1-11</sup>
- Differences in PK profile across products do not impact efficacy based on need for repeat dosing to resolve symptoms

13 References: 1. Patel N, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2021. 2. Kahveci M, et al. Pediatr Allergy Immunol. 2020. 3. Oya S, et al. J Emerg Med. 2020. 4. Kondo A, et al. Air Med J. 2018. 5. Cardona V, et al. Int Arch Allergy Immunol. 2007. 6. Arkwright PD. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2007. 6. Kolmark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2007. 10. Immunol. 2020. 8. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 11. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 11. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 11. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 11. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 12. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 12. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 11. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 12. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 12. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy. 2011. 9. Solier L, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2020. 12. Noimark L, et al. Clin Exp Allergy Aller



## **Prompt Treatment with Epinephrine is Critical**



14 References: 1. Andrew E, et al. Prehosp Emerg Care. 2018. 2. Hochstadter E, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2016. 3. Fleming JT, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2015. 4. Liu X, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2020. 5. Turner PJ, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2017.



Only ~40% of ER Anaphylaxis Patients are Dosed with Epinephrine Pre-Arrival in the Community Setting



References: 1. Mehta GD, et al. Expert Rev Clin Immunol. 2023.



## Delays in Treatment with Epinephrine are Principally Due to Autoinjector Limitations and Accompanying Patient Reluctance





# Needle-Related Safety Risks & Use Errors

### Needle-related risks defined in labeling for all autoinjectors

- Lacerations and bone injections
- > IV bolus injection (blood vessel injections) likely result in most serious AEs

### Accidental self-injection into extremity by patient or caregiver

- > ~ 3,500 events per year reported<sup>1</sup>
- > Requires immediate medical attention (treatment in ER typical)

### Injection site pain, infection and other reactions<sup>2</sup>

Wet injections (withdraw needle too quickly) and other dosing errors

### User errors and device malfunctions<sup>3,4,5,6,7,8,9</sup>

17 References: 1, Anshien M, et al. Am J Ther. 2019. 2. Guerlain S, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2011. 3. El Turki A, et al. Emerg Med J. 2017. 4. Moss RB, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2018. 5. Sanoff. Auxi-Q Recall. October 2015. 6. FOA. EpiPen and EpiPen J. Recall. March 2017. 7. FOA. EpiPen auto-injector errors related to device mail/uncions and user administration. March 2020. 8. FOA. Amneal and Impax Laboratories epipenyhine auto-injector device mail/uncions. June 2020. 9. FOA. Recall O Sympositive (epipenyhine) injection for potential manufacturing defect. March 2022.



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# 2023 AAAAI guidelines updated so that EMS activation not required for 90% of events that resolve with single dose

Practice Parameters
Anaphylaxis: A 2023 practice parameter update
Historic guidelines recommended ED visit following use of epinephrine for anaphylaxis,
which may result in families not giving epinephrine to avoid ED visits
Based on outcomes of anaphylaxis in EDs and the COVID-19 pandemic, data indicates
treatment and monitoring of anaphylaxis can occur at home
I fi signs and symptoms resolve within minutes of dosing, monitor at home after first dose
I fi signs and symptoms improve within minutes of dosing, monitor at home if comfortable, while
considering EMS activation and possible second dose of epinephrine
I fi signs and symptoms are not resolving, activate EMS immediately, and consider second dose of
epinephrine
Prompt use of epinephrine and monitoring at home will decrease healthcare utilization

## *neffy* (epinephrine nasal spray) Can Fill Great Unmet Medical Need for Patients and Caregivers

### Epinephrine has a well-established efficacy and safety profile

> Efficacy same across epinephrine injection products despite PK differences

Immediate administration of epinephrine is critical

### Patients and caregivers reluctant to use or carry current devices

- Needle-phobia
- Concerns with safety
- Cumbersome to carry

Unmet need for needle-free, easy to use, easy to carry, safe and effective epinephrine option

neffy can fit that need for our patients

# neffy Profile



Richard Lowenthal CEO, ARS Pharma



## *neffy* is a High Bioavailability, Low 2 mg Dose Saline-Based Nasal Spray: Proven Triad of FDA-Approved Components



## Intravail<sup>®</sup> Allows Injection-Like PK at a Low Intranasal Dose Without Irritation or Pain, and Robust IP Protection to 2038+



### n-Dodecyl beta-D-maltoside (Intravail®)

- Generally recognized as safe (GRAS) absorption enhancing agent
- Biologic surfactant that loosens tight junctions (paracellular) coupled with fluidization and penetration of cell membranes (transcellular)
- No irritation, pain or damage to nasal mucosa
- Extensive toxicology and safety program

### NCE-like exclusivity enabled by Intravail

- No systemic absorption via nose without Intravail when epinephrine is put in water-based solution
- Intravail allows systemic intranasal absorption of epinephrine within the known therapeutic dose window for injection products
- No inhalation required absorption in nasal mucosa
- Issued composition of matter patents in the US and globally covering Intravail<sup>®</sup> + epinephrine<sup>1, 2</sup>
- Issued method of treatment patents blocks other low dose aqueous nasal sprays (<4 mg dose)<sup>3-7</sup>
- Exclusivity until at least 2038 without PTE

22 References: 1. US10,576,156, 2. US11,173,209, 3. US10,682,414, 4. US11,191,838, 5. US11,744,895, 6. US11,717,571, 7. US11,918,655





## **Basis of Approval for Community Use Products**

> Approved community use products include IM and SC dosing (FDA briefing book)

Almost all approved without PK data

Device	Approval Basis	Pharmacokinetics (any data including literature)	FDA Approved Route and Dose
<b>EpiPen<sup>®</sup></b> (1987)	No PK Data	Significant differences (EpiPen vs. IM) only known for ~10 yrs Blood vessel injection risk (IV bolus) known last 5 yrs	IM & SC 0.15 & 0.3 mg
Twinject <sup>®</sup> (2003)	No PK Data	No PK data known to date	IM & SC 0.15 & 0.3 mg
Adrenaclick <sup>®</sup> (2003)	No PK Data	No PK data known to date	IM & SC 0.15 & 0.3 mg
<b>Auvi-Q</b> <sup>®</sup> (2012)	Single PK Study	More rapid PK vs. IM, but slower PK vs. EpiPen (T <sub>max</sub> = 20 min vs 10 min)	IM & SC 0.1, 0.15 & 0.3 mg
<b>Symjepi<sup>®</sup></b> (2017)	No PK Data	ARS studies show slower PK vs <i>neffy</i> or other autoinjectors	IM & SC 0.15 & 0.3 mg
<b>Teva EpiPen<sup>®</sup></b> (2018)	No PK Data	None to date; shorter needle and different activation force	IM & SC 0.15 & 0.3 mg



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## All Products Demonstrate Efficacy Despite Different PK

- Despite PK differences no known difference in efficacy
- All products 90% resolution on single dose

Treatment <sup>1</sup>	Source	N	<b>Mean Study C<sub>max</sub></b> (pg/mL)	Median or Mean Study T <sub>max</sub> (min)	Study T <sub>max</sub> Range (min)
EpiPen 0.3 mg	Literature and ARS	507	288 – 869	5 to 40	1 – 240
IM 0.3 mg	Literature and ARS	381	209 – 489	30 to 60	3 – 360
Auvi-Q 0.3 mg	Literature	96	486 – 646	20 to 30	5 - 60
Symjepi 0.3 mg	ARS data	88	337 – 438	30	4 – 240
SC 0.3 mg	ARS	36	246	45	4 - 180
Total Range			209 to 869	5 to 60	1 to 360

25 References: 1. Srisiwat C, et al. Asian Pac J Allergy Immunol. 2022. 2. Aquestive Therapeutics Press Release. Sept 2022. 3. Edwards ES, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2013. 4. Dworaczyk: D & Hunt A. Abstract Presentation AAAAI 2021 (Virtual Meeting). 5. Aquestive Therapeutics Press Release. May 2023.



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## **Development Program Focused on Comparison to PK / PD Profile of Approved Epinephrine Products**

PK to ensure efficacious and safe exposures within range of approved products -Bracketing Approach

- Minimum exposure  $\geq$  IM/SC (efficacy)
- Maximum exposures < EpiPen (safety)

PD response to support effect at achieving receptor response

- Blood pressure (BP):  $\alpha_1 \& \beta_1 (\beta_2)$  receptors
- Heart rate (HR): β<sub>1</sub> receptors

# Registrational Studies Demonstrate Comparability on Both PD Surrogates for Efficacy and PK with *neffy*

### **III.** PD and PK Data

- 2 mg neffy met all clinical endpoints
- PD surrogates for efficacy comparable to approved products (SBP/HR ≥ approved injection products)
- Rapid and significant response on PD surrogates for efficacy observed even 1 minute after dosing
- PK bracketed by approved products (exposures ≥ IM/SC for efficacy, < EpiPen for safety)</li>
- Repeat doses (including during rhinitis) within range of approved injection products

### Safety Data

 Adverse events generally mild in nature with no meaningful nasal irritation or pain up to 4 mg dose

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- Most common adverse events (>5%) were mild nasal discomfort (9.7%) and mild headache (6%), with no correlation of nasal discomfort to pain or irritation
  - Mean VAS pain scores between 5 to 8 out of 100

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- No irritation based on formal assessment
- No serious adverse events in any clinical study
- No risk of needle-related injuries or blood vessel injections with *neffy*

## Pharmacokinetic Results from *neffy* 2 mg Studies Satisfies Bracketing Approach designed with FDA

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## neffy PK is Bracketed by EpiPen Studies (Cmax or tmax)

Treatment	Study Reference	N	Mean Study C <sub>max</sub> (pg/mL)	Median Study T <sub>max</sub> (min)
	AQST-109 EPIPHAST II Results (2022)	22	869	22
	ARS EPI-JP01 Data (2020)	30	676	10
	AQST-109 Pilot Results (2023)	27	628	10
	ARS EPI-15 (2022)	35	612	8
EniBon (0.2 mg)	Tal et al. EAACI (2022)	12	550	9
EpiPeii (0.5 mg)	ARS EPI-11b Data (2021)	9	537	6
	Edwards et al. NDA #201739 (2012)	67	520	10.2
	Chen et al. AAAAI (2019)	11	511	5
	ARS EPI-12 Data (2021)	36	493	8
	ARS EPI-13 Data (2022)	39	490	6
	ARS EPI-16 data (2022)	36	491	20
noffy (2.0 mg)	ARS integrated analysis (2022) – EPI-15/16	78	485	20.5
nejjy (2.0 mg)	ARS EPI-15 data (2022)	42	481	30
	ARS EPI-17 data (2022)	42	421	30
	Worm et al. Clin Transl Allergy (2020)	12	390 to 530	9 to 30
	Turner et al. Clin Exp Allergy (2021)	37	386	40
EpiPen (0.3 mg)	Amphastar US2021/030502 (2021)	56	364 - 458	7-15
	ARS EPI-07 Data (2019)	35	375	24
	Dworaczyk et al. AAAAI (2020)	55	308 to 440	10-16
	Oppenheimer et al. AAAAI (2022)	10	341	22
	ARS EPI-01 Data (2018)	12	333	20
	Aquestive R&D Day (2021)	9	300	10
	Dworaczyk et al. AAAAI (2021)	25	288	10
	Dworaczyk et al. ACAAI (2023)	26	279	20
	Dworaczyk et al. ACAAI (2023)	25	228	21

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## **Robust Response on PD Surrogate Markers for Efficacy**



30 Integrated analysis of ARS clinical studies (EPI-15 and EPI-16)

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## Positive FDA AdCom vote supports benefit-risk of neffy

### FDA Advisory Committee (May 2023) voted that benefit-risk of neffy supported FDA approval

- > 17:5 and 16:6 voted in favor for approval in pediatric and adult populations, respectively
- Advisory members who voted against approval desired comparative clinical efficacy data for anaphylaxis, which cannot be ethically conducted in this population

FDA Advisory Committee viewed single dose NAC study data as "encouraging" and "favorable" due to greater concentration levels during the period when clinical response is observed with epinephrine

- Nasal congestion following nasal-allergen challenge (spraying purified antigen directly into the nose) accelerates absorption of neffy in the first 20 minutes vs. normal state
- > Treatment guidelines recommend giving a second dose if no response is observed within 5 to 15 minutes of administration
- FDA reported that the rate of nasal mucosal symptoms in anaphylaxis patients ranges from 2 to 11% (weighted average frequency in the literature is ~4% based on aggregated analysis of 13 publications)

No member of the Advisory Committee requested a repeat dose rhinitis study as a prerequisite for FDA approval



## Completion of Repeat Dose neffy NAC study per FDA's CRL **Request Shows PK/PD Greater or Similar to IM Injection**

### PD Response (Mean Change in SBP, HR)



### Response to FDA's CRL anticipated by early Q2 2024 followed by up to 6-month FDA review

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32 Note: FDA explicitly requested IM epinephrine as the comparator in this study because IM is the basis for efficacy for epinephrine products, and there are no known differences between the various approved injection devices despite different PK

## Risk-benefit assessment of *neffy*



Thomas B. Casale, M.D. Professor of Medicine & Pediatrics Chief, Allergy & Immunology University of South Florida
## **Ideal Properties of an Epinephrine Delivery Product**



#### Does it work?

- Consistent and reproducible PK/PD profiles (no to minimal outliers) and drug administration that is not affected by anaphylaxis symptoms or pre-existing conditions or comorbidities
- Robust and rapid PD effects that are especially important for severe anaphylaxis



#### Is it safe?

- No risk of injury and minimal side effects
- Minimize risk of overdosing with epinephrine
- Avoid side effects that are also anaphylaxis symptoms



#### Will patients use it?

- Minimal side effects
- Palatable
- Small
- Easy to use



## Severe or Fatal Anaphylaxis Due to Laryngeal / Airway **Edema in Children; Presence of Hypotension in Adults**



#### **Both**

> Most frequent symptom is laryngeal edema: 41% to 46% prevalence of upper air way edema (lips to larynx) in fatal anaphylaxis1,2

#### Children

- > Deaths are rather secondary to the laryngeal edema, observed in 40%-50% of cases.<sup>3</sup>
- > Cardiovascular involvement is rare in infants, most often observed in adolescents, probably related to age-dependent physiological changes."3

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## Adults

Significantly higher rates of hypotension and cardiovascular involvement in older adults<sup>4</sup>



References: 1, Xu YS, et al. Allergy Asthma Clin Immunol. 2014. 2. Pumphrey RS, et al. J Clin Pathol. 2000. 3. Tanno LK, et al. Pediatr Allergy Immunol. 2020. 4. Francuzik W et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2021. 35

## neffy Shows Rapid and Robust PD Response that Demonstrates Engagement of Receptors that Reverse Anaphylaxis Symptoms



<sup>36</sup> Integrated analysis of ARS clinical studies (EPI-15 and EPI-16)

## Exposures of Repeat Doses of *neffy* in Healthy Subjects are also in the Range of FDA Approved Epinephrine Injection Products

Repeat dosing 10 min apart in healthy subjects



37 Integrated data from ARS clinical studies, FDA Briefing Document May 2023 PADAC for NDA/BLA# 214697 (neffy)

## PD Response as Shown to be at Least as Good as EpiPen, Supporting Engagement of Receptors that Reverse Anaphylaxis Symptoms



### *neffy* Shows Robust and Rapid Clinical Resolution of Oral Food Challenge Induced Anaphylaxis Symptoms

Efficacy Study of *neffy* in Oral Food Challenge Induced Anaphylaxis (EPI-JP-03)<sup>1</sup>

Study Design: single arm, open-label study

Participants: 15 pediatric subjects (aged 6 to 17):

- 9 subjects (30 kg+)
- 6 subjects (15-30 kg)

Patients experiencing Grade 2 (moderate) or higher anaphylaxis symptoms (out of 3 grade scale)<sup>3</sup> following oral food challenge dosed with a single dose of either 2 mg or 1 mg *neffy*:\_\_\_\_\_

- Mucosal: generalized urticaria/exanthema/wheal pruritus, swollen face, throat pain
- GI: moderate abdominal pain, recurrent emesis/diarrhea,
- Respiratory: repetitive cough, chest tightness/wheezing detectable via auscultation
- Circulatory: pale face/mild hypotension/tachycardia (>15 beats/min), light-headedness/feeling of "pending doom"/somnolence/headache

#### **Study Outcomes**

	Clinical Response Rate (%)	
<i>neffy</i> (EPI-JP-03)		100.0%

**100%** of patients responded to a single dose of *neffy* in the first 15 minutes, and did not require a second dose of epinephrine per treatment guidelines

**100%** of patients experienced complete resolution of the anaphylaxis symptoms with single dose of  $neffy^2$ 

**16 min** median time to complete resolution of anaphylaxis following single dose of *neffy* 

39 References: 1. Ebisawa M, et al. Presentation at AAAAI 2024 (Washington DC). 2. 100% of EPI-JP-03 patients dosed with neffy did not require a second dose in the first 15 minutes per guidelines because a response was not being observed, and 100% of patients achieved complete resolution of symptoms. To fit he 15 subjects (6.7%) challenged with geg experienced a biphasic reaction 2h 45 min after being dosed with a single dose of neffy and achieving complete resolution of symptoms. This is consistent with the 12.8% frequency of biphasic reaction sphptoms. This is consistent with the 12.8% frequency of biphasic reaction sphptoms. This is consistent with the 12.8%



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## *neffy* Shows Robust and Rapid Clinical Responses in Treatment-Resistant Urticaria (Most Common Symptom of Anaphylaxis)

Randomized, Placebo-Controlled Efficacy Data in Treatment Refractory Chronic Urticaria (EPI-U01)<sup>1</sup>

#### Study Design

randomized, placebo-controlled crossover trial study



- 18 chronic urticaria subjects who experience flares at least two times a week while on chronic treatment (antihistamines +/- Xolair)
- Patients come to clinic when experiencing a flare and are treated with 2 mg, 1 mg or placebo





### Experimental NAC-Induced Rhinitis Does Not Negatively Impact *neffy*'s PK Profile (Allergic Rhinitis Subjects)

FDA Advisory Committee viewed neffy NAC data as "encouraging" and "favorable"

NAC-induced rhinitis accelerates absorption of single dose *neffy*, but within the range of injection

Repeat dose under NAC-induced rhinitis supports similarity to injection for more severe cases of anaphylaxis



<sup>42</sup> \* Statistically significant differences between *neffy* with rhinitis compared to IM injection (p <0.05)

## **Experimental NAC-Induced Rhinitis Does Not Negatively** Impact neffy's PD Profile (Repeat Doses 10 min Apart)

Mean Change in Systolic Blood Pressure (mmHg)

#### Mean Change in Heart Rate (bpm)



## Upper Respiratory Tract Infection (URTI)-Induced Rhinitis has no Clinically Meaningful Impact on the PK/PD Profile of *neffy*



### PK/PD Profile and Ability to Dose May Be Influenced By Varying Conditions Including Anaphylaxis Itself



Potential effect on <u>ability to dose or absorption profile</u> by theoretical route of administration for epinephrine

Anaphylaxis Symptom	US %	Intranasal	Sublingual	Oral*	Inhalation*
Nasal symptoms / rhinitis	4%	х			х
Oropharyngeal edema	10%		x	х	х
Vomiting / Emesis	20%		x	х	х
Dysphagia	23%			х	х
Laryngeal Edema	24%			х	х
Bronchospasm	24%				х
Intraoral Edema or Tongue Swelling	24%		x	х	x
Angioedema (e.g. face, lips, tongue or larynx)	45%		x	х	x
Difficulty Breathing / Dyspnea	55%				x

\*insufficient oral and inhalation systemic absorption due to rapid conjugation and oxidation in GI tract or difficulty taking in enough puffs<sup>14</sup>

45 References: 1. Pistiner M, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2021. 2, Jalii M, et al. Abstract at AAAAI 2020 Virtual Meeting. 3. Gonzelez-Estrada A, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2018. 4, Lee S, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2014. 6, Manivannan V, et al. Am J Emerg Med. 2014. 7, Wood RA, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2014. 8, Waish KE, et al. Pharmacoepidemiol Drug Saf 2013. 9, Decker WW, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2014. No Saftware Manunol. 2014. 1, Meeting J. Saftware Med. 2014. 7, Wood RA, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2014. 8, Waish KE, et al. Pharmacoepidemiol Drug Saf 2013. 9, Decker WW, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2014. No Saftware Manunol. 2014. Simons KJ, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2014. No to that some publications do not specify angioedema symptom subtype. Angioedema subtype frequency aggregated when reported.



## **Excellent Tolerability and Palatability**

Adverse events generally mild in nature with no meaningful nasal irritation or pain up to 4 mg dose

No serious adverse events in any clinical study

No risk of needle-related injuries or blood vessel injections with neffy

Most common adverse events (>5%) were mild nasal discomfort (9.7%) and mild headache (6%), with no correlation of nasal discomfort to pain or irritation

- Mean VAS pain scores between 5 to 8 out of 100 (no stinging or burning)
- > No irritation based on formal assessment (no erythema or ulcers)

#### Excellent palatability - no taste or smell with neffy

"Inherent bitterness of epinephrine may hinder acceptability for patients, especially children"1

46 References: 1. Rachid O, et al. AAPS PharmaSciTech. 2010.



## **Adverse Event Profile Compares Favorably to Autoinjectors**

Adverse Event	2 mg neffy <sup>1</sup>	0.3 mg EpiPen <sup>2</sup>	0.3 mg Auvi-Q <sup>2</sup>
Injection-site erythema	0%	32.6%	31.3%
Injection-site pain	0%	24.4%	13.4%
Tremors	0%	14.1%	13.4%
Mild nasal discomfort	9.7%	0%	0%
Mild headache	6.0%	<5%	<5%
Anxiety	<1%	7.4%	10.4%
Injection-site bleeding	0%	9.6%	4.5%
Injection-site induration	0%	6.7%	4.5%

#### Incidence of adverse events in neffy, EpiPen and Auvi-Q studies (greater than 5% frequency)

47 References: 1. FDA Advisory Committee, 2. Edwards ES, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2013.



### Low Dose is an Important Benefit of *neffy* that Minimizes Risk of Overdosing, and Difficulty Monitoring Clinical Response

#### Epinephrine has a therapeutic window and potential for overdose

if too much is systemically absorbed too fast (e.g. IV bolus)<sup>1, 2</sup> – multiple cardiac events and fatalities reported in literature<sup>3, 4</sup>

#### 2 mg neffy has essentially minimal risk of overexposure

even with higher bioavailability in the event of increased permeability during an allergic reaction or population variability (nasal abnormalities, impact of using other drugs or substances on nasal mucosa, etc.)

#### High dose of epinephrine can also lead to swallowing of non-absorbed

**epinephrine and GI side effects** (vomiting/abdominal pain)<sup>5, 6</sup> Vomiting/abdominal pain is a common symptom of food-induced anaphylaxis (especially biphasic) that can confound monitoring of clinical response leading to unnecessary treatment and re-dosing<sup>7, 8, 9</sup>

#### neffy has minimal to no GI side effects

48 References: 1. Casale TB, et al. Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2024. 2. Ebisawa M, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Glob. 2023. 3. Pumphrey RS, et al. Clin Exp Allergy, 2020. 4. Ring J, et al. Dtsch Arztebi Int. 2018. 5. Schlegel C, et al. J Dtsch Dermatol Ges. 2009. 6. Dweraczyk D & Hunt A. Presentation at AAAAI 2023 (San Antonio, Texas), 7. Francuzik W et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2021. 8. Plipsen MC & Colon KMV. Am Fam Physician. 2020. 9. Gupta, RS, et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract. 2021.



## Too Much Epinephrine, too Fast, can be Dangerous, without More Benefit: Suspected IV Bolus Case-Study with EpiPen<sup>1</sup>



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## Children more likely to experience vomiting and GI symptoms than adult anaphylaxis patients with non-venom allergies



#### **Important side effect to avoid for monitoring of clinical outcomes** (and also a co-morbidity that could alter absorption of dosing via mouth)

50 References: 1. Francuzik W et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2021.



### Human Factors Studies and Real-World Data Have Proven that *neffy* is Easy for Patients to Carry and Simple to Administer

Proven ease of use in human factors studies and real-world emergency use settings

**100% of adults** (including passersby without allergies) able to use *neffy* successfully <u>without training</u>

**100% of children (about half of the current autoinjector prescriptions)** able to use *neffy* successfully <u>without training</u>

Same device available over the counter in NARCAN OTC (no training required)





## Patients Should be Carrying and Dosing Sooner with *neffy*'s Potential Best-in-Class Epinephrine Product Profile



#### Does it work?

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- PK/PD response shows onset within 1 minute after dosing
- Rapid efficacy profile in OFC anaphylaxis (100% response rate in first 15 min), as well as treatment-resistant urticaria
- Predictable dose-proportional PK/PD profile within range of approved injection products even under realworld co-morbidities (e.g. rhinitis)
- Only anaphylaxis symptom that may alter PK/dosing is rhinitis, and for neffy, no negative impact on PK/PD



#### Is it safe?

- Benign safety profile mild nasal discomfort (9.7%) and mild headache (6%)
- No risk of injury (no needle) and minimal risk of overdose even with population variability (high bioavailability, low dose)
- No side effects (GI, vomiting, erythema) that could confound clinical monitoring and treatment



### Will patients use it?

- Benign safety profile mild nasal discomfort and headache
- Palatable no meaningful pain/irritation, no taste/smell
- Small fits in pocket
- Easy to use 100% of adults and children can use without training (even passerby's); ability to dose not obstructed by anaphylaxis symptoms





# Significant Opportunity to Address Unmet Needs in Current US Severe Allergic Reaction Market (~\$1B Net<sup>1</sup>)



Epidemiology prevalence data estimates ~40M patients with type 1 allergic reactions<sup>2-10</sup>



Consistent Market Growth (Units) +6.5% CAGR since 2010, +12.7% YoY in 2023<sup>1</sup>

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~20M diagnosed and under physician care over the last 3 years<sup>11</sup>



 Promotional Responsiveness
~50% increase over market growth trend with consumer promotion (2010 to 2015<sup>1</sup>)

\*3.2M patients filled Rx in 2023, but
\*80-90% do not use as indicated<sup>11</sup>
(1) do not carry (~50%), (2) do not inject (25-60%),
(3) wait to inject (40-60%) or (4) dose incorrectly (23-35%)

~3.3M don't fill regularly, haven't refilled or haven't filled a written Rx in 2022<sup>11</sup>



54 References: 1. Based on IQVIA prescription data (~5.2 million two-packs sold in 2023) and weighted average generic/branded epinephrine auto-injector net pricing. 2. Gupta RS, et al. Pediatrics. 2011. 4. Gupta RS, et al. Pediatrics. 2018. 4. MCHS Data Brief. 2019. 7. Biackson RD, et al. NCHS Data Brief. 2019. 7. Biackson RD, et al. NCHS Data Brief. 2019. 7. Control C





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### neffy has the Ability to Address the Unmet Need and is Aligned with what Healthcare Providers, Patients and Parents Want<sup>1</sup>





## Physicians Supportive of Adopting *neffy* into Practice



56 References: 1. ARS market research on file.





## Two-Thirds of Allergists and Half of GPs Ready to Prescribe *neffy* as Soon as Possible; Majority of Pediatricians Expected to Prescribe within One Year



57 References: ARS market research on file.

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58 References: 1. Kaplan H. et al. Presentation at ACAAI 2022 (Louisville, Kentucky). 2. Warren CM. et al. Ann Alleray Asthma Immunol. 2018. 3. ARS market research on file



## ~ 72% of Respondents would Make a Special Appointment to Discuss *neffy* with their HCP

## Action Taken to Discuss *neffy* with HCP

- Make a special in-person appointment to discuss neffy
- Make a special telehealth appointment to discuss neffy
- Wait until my next regular appointment to discuss neffy
- Wait to see if my doctor wanted to discuss neffy with me



Respondents who may ask their HCP about neffy, Aug-23: Total (n=476), Patient (n=244), Caregiver (n=232) % of respondents

59 References: ARS market research on file.

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## neffy Strategic Objectives



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## **Drive Adoption within Specialty and High Decile Prescribers**

#### **Healthcare Provider Launch Objectives**

- Commercial force of 110 Sales and Virtual Representatives and Area Sales Managers
- Education, awareness, and resources to drive adoption (*neffy* Experience)
- Calling on 12,500 Allergy Specialists and High Decile Prescribers
  - Reaching 40-45% of Prescriptions from all HCPs
  - Reaching >80% of Prescriptions from Allergists and Pediatricians







## Committed to Ensuring neffy Access for all Patients

#### Key findings from discussions with the major payers and PBMs:

- High degree of interest in *neffy and* positive receptivity in early conversations; proactively requesting clinical presentations prior to approval
- Epinephrine is covered as a pharmacy benefit, and we expect to achieve coverage without restriction for 80% of commercial lives within a year of launch
- ARS is committed to access and affordability we will offer a co-pay buydown to \$25 for commercial patients, a cash price of \$199, and a Patient Assistance Program for uninsured or underinsured
- **neffy**connect will assist in managing coverage by providing patients, caregivers and healthcare providers with information regarding support programs and financial aid

"If this is priced properly, this could be a '**state-of-the-art therapy**' for patients." – PBM "This is a **game-changer**; it really addresses the unmet needs we currently have in this space, specifically the safety and tolerability issues." – **Payer**  "There is no value in delaying access to a product like this and nothing to prior authorize (PA). We can't PA if the patient needs it." – PBM

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## Create Awareness & Motivate Patients and Caregivers to Request *neffy*

#### **Consumer Launch Objectives**

- Drive awareness & motivate patients and caregivers to request *neffy* by name
- Enable patients and caregivers to feel fully prepared to act during a potential crisis moment
- Activate patients and caregivers to share their *neffy* story to encourage peer uptake





## Intranasal Analog Comparison: Seizure Rescue Market Valtoco and Nayzilam Share Growth



65 References: 1. IQVIA prescription data (2023)

## US Epinephrine Market Evolution Due to the Availability of *neffy Supports Significant Revenue Opportunity*<sup>1</sup>



66 References: 1. ARS company estimates and market research on file. 2. Market estimates based only on prescription volume from community use epinephrine autoinjector products, not intramuscular injection vials and syringes Note that current estimated \$1B+ net sales are based on generic epinephrine autoinjector products (90%+ of volume), not the intended pricing of nefty as a branded innovator product.







## **Financial highlights**

Cash and short-term investments: \$228M

Debt: **\$0M** 

Common Shares: 96.4M

As of 12/31/2023

Estimated at least three years of operating runway including the anticipated launch and commercialization of *neffy* 


## Significant Ex-US opportunity for *neffy*





