

OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC. BANKRUPTCY CASE STUDY

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CreditRiskMonitor's warning of Orexigen Therapeutics Inc.'s ("Orexigen") bankruptcy risk was determined by a combination of factors:

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MONTHLY AVERAGE FRISK® SCORE

CreditRiskMonitor's FRISK® score had been warning of financial stress at Orexigen (NASDAQ: OREX) for more than a year.

The company ultimately filed for bankruptcy on March 12, 2018.

Business Name	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2018	2018	2018
Dusiness Name	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1

BANKRUPT!

The FRISK® score is
96% accurate* in
predicting the risk of
corporate failure/bankruptcy
over a 12-month horizon.
All FRISK® scores are
recalculated every night
for each subsequent
12-month period.

	FRISK	From	ptcy within 12 month To	
Best	10	0.00%	0.12%	
Dest	9	0.12%	0.27%	
	8	0.27%	0.34%	
	7	0.34%	0.55%	
	6	0.55%	0.87%	
	5	0.87%	1.40%	
	4	1.40%	2.10%	
	3	2.10%	4.00%	
	2	4.00%	9.99%	
Worst	1	9.99%	50.00%	

While the percentage risk of bankruptcy varies at each FRISK® score, 96% of public companies that eventually go bankrupt enter the FRISK® "red zone" prior to filing. A FRISK® score of "5" or less is an important warning sign.

^{*}FRISK® score accuracy of 96% is based on backtesting of U.S. public companies; results may vary by country.

THE FRISK® SCORE COMPONENTS

At the core of the CreditRiskMonitor process is our 96% accurate FRISK® score, which indicates a company's level of financial stress on a scale of "1" to "10," based on the probability of bankruptcy over a 12-month horizon. When available, the FRISK® score incorporates a number of powerful risk indicators including:

A "Merton" type model using stock market capitalization and volatility Financial ratios, including those used in the Altman Z"-Score Model

Bond agency ratings from Moody's and Fitch

Crowdsourced CreditRiskMonitor Usage Data

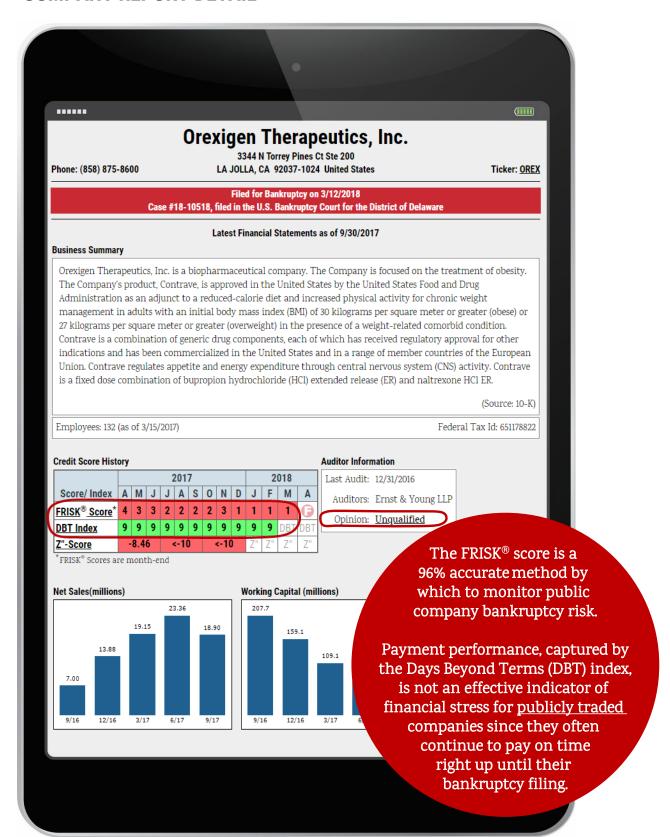
<u>Crowdsourcing</u> has enhanced the accuracy and timeliness of the FRISK® score. We collect and analyze data patterns from thousands of CreditRiskMonitor subscribers, including professionals from more than 35% of the Fortune 1000 and other large corporations worldwide.

The crowdsourcing advantage is even more powerful in our FRISK® score since many of the professionals who use our service are credit managers:

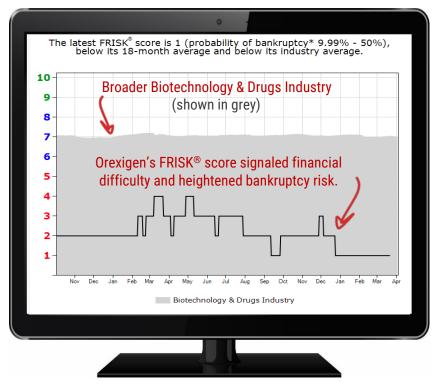
- Credit managers control one of the largest sources of working capital going into a company
- They are not held to the same "Fair Disclosure" restrictions that prevent nondisclosed information sharing on public companies
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- It is commonly known credit managers confidentially share information with other credit managers, thus collectively, their behavior helps to provide advanced insight to financial problems in public companies

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COMPANY REPORT DETAIL



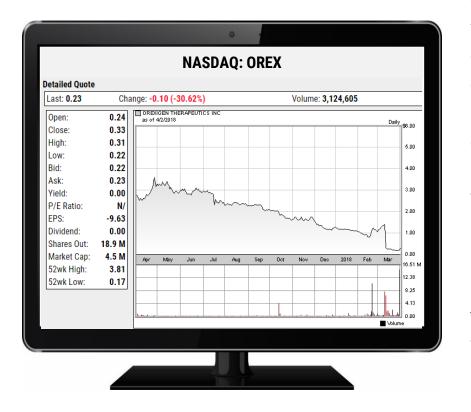
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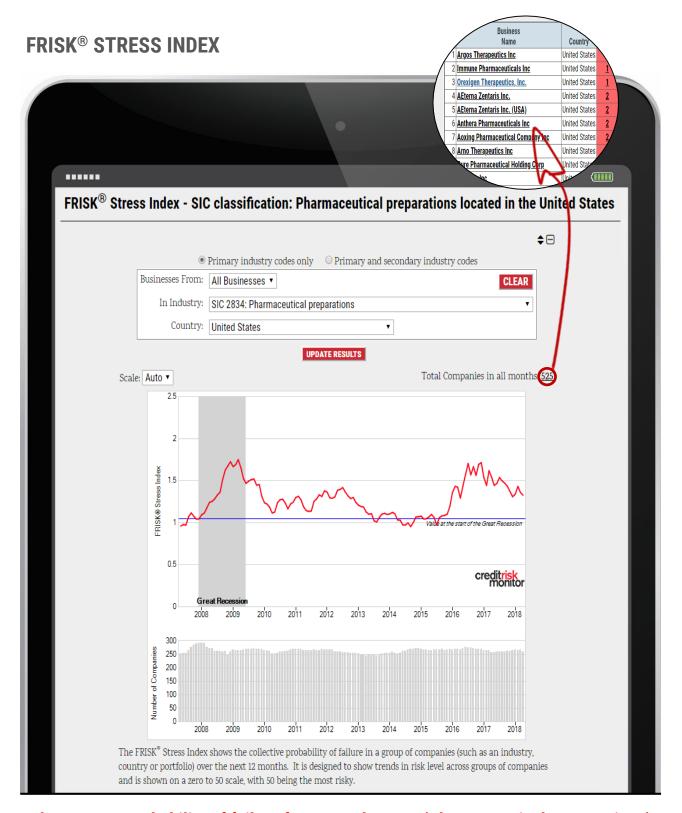
The FRISK® score relative to the broader Biotechnology & Drugs industry raised an additional red flag signaling heightened risk relative to peers, as well...

MAKING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED.

ADJUSTED MARKET CAP VOLATILITY

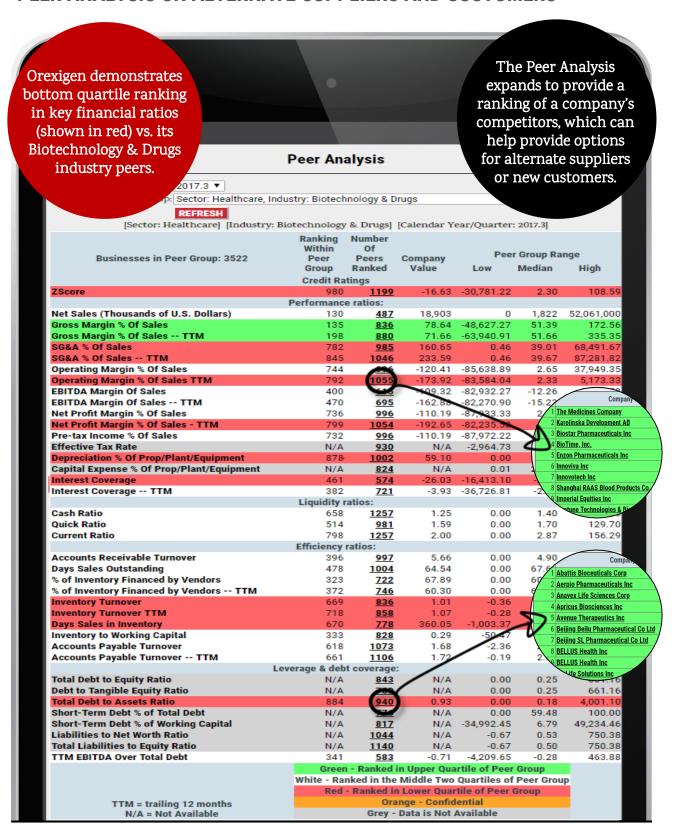


One of the inputs of the FRISK® score is a company's market cap volatility, adjusted for dividends, over the course of a year. Incorporating this information allows us to capture the "wisdom of markets" on a daily basis. This ensures our subscribers are getting the most up to date view of the risks they face since stocks tend to be more liquid and faster moving than bond prices and ratings.



The average probability of failure for SIC code 2834 (Pharmaceutical Preparations) reflects an industry subsector with average risk. But, Orexigen had continued to struggle, as evidenced by its fall to a FRISK® score of "1."

PEER ANALYSIS ON ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS



QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE RATIOS

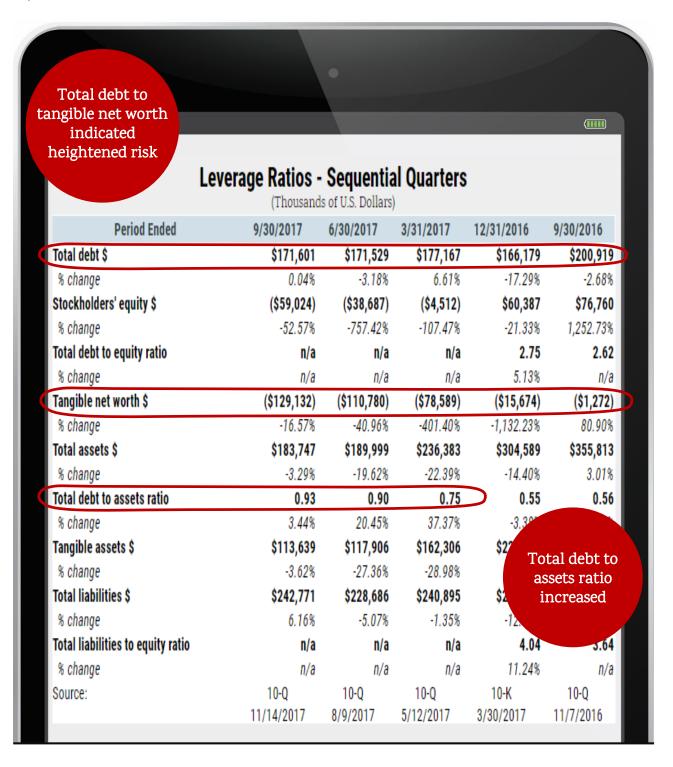
Operating and net losses in each of the last four fiscal quarters

Insufficient revenue to cover interest expenses; negative free cash

Performance Ratios - Sequential Quarters

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars) 3 mos 3 mos 3 mos 3 mos 3 mos Period Ended 9/30/2017 6/30/2017 3/31/2017 12/31/2016 9/30/2016 Net Sales \$ \$18,903 \$23,356 \$19,145 \$13,883 \$7,002 -19.07% 22.00% 37.90% 98.27% -10.13% % change Gross Margin \$ \$14,866 \$16,514 \$12,958 \$9,612 \$5,062 % change -9.98% 27.44% 34.81% 89.89% -15.73% % of sales 78 64% 70.71% 67.68% 69.24% 72.29% change as % of incremental sales n/m 84.45% 63.59% 66.12% n/m SG&A \$ \$30,367 \$48,311 \$55,247 \$41,938 \$35,103 % change -37.14% -12.55% 31.73% 19.47% 40.46% % of sales 160.65% 206.85% 288.57% 302.08% 501.33% change as % of incremental sales 164.71% 252.93% 99.33% n/m n/m Operating margin \$ (\$22,762) (\$41,990) (\$41,530) (\$24,657)\$42,526 % change 45.79% -1.11% -68.43% -157.98% 227.96% % of sales -120.41% -179.78% -216.92% -177.61% 607.34% change as % of incremental sales -10.92% -320.66% -976.36% n/mn/m EBITDA \$ (\$39,429)(\$20,665)(\$39,891)(\$22,640)n/a % change 48.20% -1.17% -74.16% n/a n/a -109.32% -205.95% -163.08% % of sales -170.80% n/a change as % of incremental sales n/m -10.97% -319.06% n/a n/a EBIT \$ (\$22,762)(\$41,990) (\$41,530) (\$24,657)\$42,526 % change 45.79% -1.11% -68.43% -157.98% 227.96% % of sales -179.78% -216.92% 607.34% -120.41% -177.61% change as % of incremental sales -10.92% -320.66% -976.36% n/m n/m Pre-tax income \$ (\$20,829)(\$30,518)(\$69,087)(\$24,476)\$47,663 288.91% % change 31.75% 55.83% -182.26% -151.35% % of sales -110.19% -130.66% -360.86% -176.30% 680.71% change as % of incremental sales 915.91% -847.80% -1,048.38% n/m Net income (loss) \$ (\$20,829)(\$30,518)(\$69,087)(\$24.609) \$47,663 % change 31.75% 55.83% -180.74% -151.63% 288.91% % of sales -110.19% -130.66% -360.86% -177.26% 680.71% -1,050.31% change as % of incremental sales 915.91% -845.27% n/mn/m Tax expense \$ n/a n/a n/a \$133 n/a Effective tax rate -0.54% n/a n/a n/a Depreciation expense \$ \$112 \$115 \$117 \$118 \$116 % of sales 0.59% 0.49% 0.61% 0.85% 1.66% % of capital expenses 268.18% n/a n/a n/a n/a % of PP&E, net (annualized) 59.10% 52.84% 47.49% 40.97% 35.19% Capital expenditures \$ \$0 \$0 \$0 \$44 \$0 % change n/m n/m -100.00% n/m -100.00% % of PP&E, net (annualized) 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 15.28% 0.00% % of working capital (annualized) 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.10% 0.00% Interest coverage ratio (26.03)(46.22)(1.43)(11.48)n/a % change 43.69% -3,130.61% 87.54% n/a n/a (\$33,751) Free cash flow \$ (\$16,281) (\$40,120) (\$49,936) (\$22,769) % change 59.42% 19.66% -47.95% 48.23% 17.77% Source: 10-Q 10-Q 10-Q 10-K 10-Q 8/9/2017 11/7/2016 11/14/2017 5/12/2017 3/30/2017

QUARTERLY LEVERAGE RATIOS



QUARTERLY LIQUIDITY RATIOS AND RATES OF RETURN

Working					
capital drastically decreased			_		
	Liquidity Ratio (Thous	s - Sequent ands of U.S. Doll		S	
Period Ended	9/30/2017	6/30/2017	3/31/2017	12/31/2016	9/30/2016
Current assets \$	\$112,285	\$114,330	\$158,519	\$224,461	\$273,181
% change	-1.79%	-27.88%	-29.38%	-17.83%	-3.37%
Current liabilities \$	\$56,232	\$41,804	\$49,459	\$65,360	\$65,473
% change	34.51%	-15.48%	-24.33%	-0.17%	88.29%
Working capital \$	\$56,053	\$72,526	\$109,060	\$159,101	\$207,708
% change	-22.71%	-33.50%	-31.45%	-23.40%	-16.22%
% of sales (annualized)	74.13%	77.63%	142.41%	286.50%	741.60%
Cash \$	\$70,567	\$86,618	\$86,641	\$103,993	\$75,922
% change	-18.53%	-0.03%	-16.69%	36.97%	-23.43%
Cash ratio	1.25	2.07	1.75	1.59	1.16
% change	-39.44%	18.28%	10.10%	37.21%	-59.34%
Quick assets \$	\$89,670	\$94,254	\$92,918	\$105,095	\$78,020
% change	-4.86%	1.44%	-11.59%	34.70%	-23.57%
Quick ratio	1.59	2.25	1.88	1.61	1.19
% change	-29.28%	20.01%	16.84%	34.94%	-59.41%
Current ratio	2.00	2.73	3.21	3.43	4.17
% change	-26.99%	-14.67%	-6.67%	-17.69%	-48.68%
Source:	10-Q 11/14/2017	10-Q 8/9/2017	10-Q 5/12/2017	10-K 3/30/2017	10-Q 11/7/2016

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generate	Rate of Return (Thousa	- Sequenti nds of U.S. Dolla			
returns eriod Ended	3 mos 9/30/2017	3 mos 6/30/2017	3 mos 3/31/2017	3 mos 12/31/2016	3 mos 9/30/2016
Return on equity	n/a	n/a	-114.41%	-32.06%	n/a
% change	n/a	n/a	-256.86%	n/a	n/a
Return on total assets	-11.15%	-14.31%	-25.54%	-7.45%	13.59%
% change	22.14%	43.96%	-242.72%	-154.82%	294.07%
Return on tangible assets	-17.99%	-21.78%	-35.35%	-9.72%	15.30%
% change	17.40%	38.39%	-263.69%	-163.55%	318.37%
Source:	10-Q 11/14/2017	10-Q 8/9/2017	10-Q 5/12/2017	10-K 3/30/2017	10-Q 11/7/2016

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

			100		
Recurring					
egative cash					
om operating					/
activities					
Stateme	ent of Cash	Flows - Ann	ual - Standa	ardized	
	(Thou	ısands of U.S. Doll	lars)		
	12 mos	12 mos	12 mos	12 mos	12 mos
Period Ended	12/31/2016	12/31/2015	12/31/2014	12/31/2013	12/31/2012
Cash Flows from Operating Activit		(Åco.co=)	(407 505)	(4== 4=4)	(400.004)
Net income	(\$24,524)	(\$68,687)	(\$37,525)	(\$77,671)	(\$90,094)
Depreciation/depletion	428	223	139	94	313
Amortization	3,307	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Non-cash Items	(105,191)	20,267	19,967	12,698	8,112
Changes in working capital	16,267	(6,276)	44,247	(5,938)	13,327
Total cash from operating activities	(109,713)	(54,473)	26,828	(70,817)	(68,342)
Cash Flows from Investing Activiti	es:				
Capital expenditures	(330)	(538)	(246)	(640)	0
Other investing cash flow items,	(106,727)	41,960	(23,194)	(20,636)	(13,345)
total	(100), 2,)	11,500	(20,131)	(20,000)	(10,010)
Total cash from investing	(107,057)	41,422	(23,440)	(21,276)	(13,345)
activities					
Cash Flows from Financing Activiti					
Issuance/retirement of stock, net	44,531	64,259	2,734	1,337	58,270
Issuance/retirement of debt, net	110,026	0	0	110,545	0
Total cash from financing	154,557	64,259	2,734	111,882	58,270
activities	(715)	(20)	-1-		-1-
Foreign exchange effects Net change in cash	(715)	(29)	n/a	n/a	n/a (22.417)
Net cash-beginning balance	(62,928)	51,179	6,122	19,789	(23,417)
Net cash-ending balance	155,422 \$92,494	104,243 \$155,422	98,121 \$104,243	78,332 \$98,121	101,749 \$78,332
Supplemental Disclosures:	472,474	\$100,422	\$104,243	\$70,121	\$70,552
Cash interest paid	\$3,221	\$3,163	\$3,119	\$0	\$0
Cash taxes paid, supplemental	\$1,347	\$28	n/a	n/a	n/a
Auditor/Opinion:	Ernst & Young	Ernst & Young	Ernst & Young	Ernst & Young	Ernst & Young
,, op	LLP	LLP	LLP	LLP	LLP
	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified
Source:	10-K	10-K	10-K	10-K	10-K
	3/30/2017	2/26/2016	2/27/2015	3/13/2014	3/14/2013

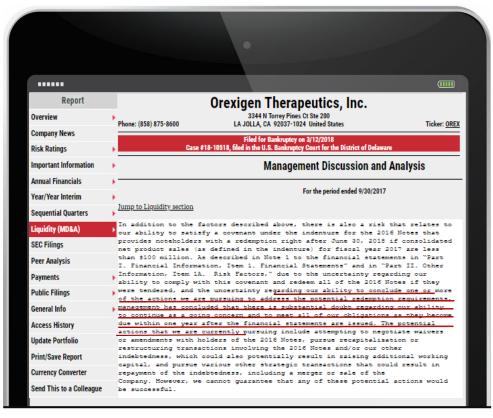
NEWS ALERTS: A TIMELINE OF CONCERNING HEADLINES

		nto privately-negotiated exchange agreements with holders of its es and 2.75% Convertible Senior Notes due in 2020.
12/1/2017	CRMZ News Service	OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC. FILES (8-K) Disclosing Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement, Unregistered Sale of Equity Securities, Financial Statements and Exhibits
	and allow for continued	Q delisting determination, which they expected would stay any listing of the Company's common stock until the hearings panel
12/29/2017	CRMZ News Service	OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC. FILES (8-K) Disclosing Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing
	riod in the previous year. CRMZ News Service	creased 209% to \$69 million compared with a net loss of \$22 million Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc financials available revised/corrected
Net loss for the of \$48 million for		ed 6/30/17 increased 109% to \$100 million compared with a net loss
	or the same period in the	previous year.
8/10/2017	CRMZ News Service	Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc updated financials available
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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

READING THE MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS, WE NOTED:

The Company's primary activities since incorporation had been organizational activities, including recruiting personnel, conducting research and development (including clinical trials), raising capital, and preparing for the marketing and



commercialization of its sole product, Contrave® (a prescription-only FDA weight-loss drug) in the United States. Orexigen management explained that the Company's ability to generate revenue for the foreseeable future was dependent primarily on the commercial success of Contrave®. As of September 30, 2017, Orexigen had an accumulated deficit of \$765.6 million. These losses resulted from substantial costs incurred in connection with R&D activities, costs of clinical trial activities, performing manufacturing-related activities, and selling, general and administrative expenses. The Company expected to incur losses for the next several years. Orexigen's operations had been financed primarily through the sale of equity and convertible debt securities since its inception in 2002. Through September 30, 2017, Orexigen had received net proceeds of approximately \$798.7 million from such actions. By the third quarter of 2017, there was material risk related to Orexigen's ability to satisfy its 2016 note covenants. Due to the uncertainties as to its ability to comply with these covenants and redeem all of the 2016 notes if tendered, as well as its ability to achieve one or more of the actions being pursued to address the potential redemption requirements, management concluded that there was substantial doubt regarding the Company's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the financial statements were issued.

...and in March 2018, Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. filed for bankruptcy...

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