

# Ascelia Pharma

## Still alive: Fighting to reverse the FDA setback

- Type A meeting with the FDA scheduled for September 9
- Implementing cost-saving measures
- [Conf call](#) at 10am CET

### Recent and upcoming relevant events

Following the July 2, 2026 Complete Response Letter for Orviglance, which cited concerns over the SPARKLE re-read (potential reader bias and a T1-only scoring scope) alongside small product documentation questions, Ascelia disputed both clinical grounds while acknowledging the product quality points, and moved to request an expedited Type A meeting. The FDA has now accepted that request and scheduled the meeting for September 9, 2026. Ahead of it, Ascelia has submitted a briefing package addressing each CRL topic, confirming it has aligned with and implemented the FDA's product quality recommendations, and defending the scientific rationale for the SPARKLE re-read, including reader training and the use of T1-weighted imaging as the basis for assessing lesion visualisation. Management reiterates confidence in the overall data package, with an update expected once official meeting minutes are received following the September 9 meeting (issued within 30 days, i.e. by mid-September).

### Implementing cost-saving measures

Operating cash flow was SEK -14m (SEK -16m in Q1'26), as opex decreased 30% q-o-q. Following a directed share issue of gross SEK 20m in the quarter, cash and cash equivalents came in at SEK 34m (SEK 38m in Q1'26). After quarter's end, Ascelia has implemented cost-saving measures including the departure of the CFO to provide flexibility for supporting activities related to the CRL, which is stated to extend the cash runway into Q2'27.

### Conference call at 10am

Ascelia will host a [conference call](#) at 10am CET today.

## Fast comment

## Commissioned research

## Not rated

## Healthcare

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|                   |           |       |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|
| Share price (SEK) | 19/8/2026 | 0.55  |
| MCap (SEKm)       |           | 73    |
| MCap (EURm)       |           | 7     |
| No. of shares (m) |           | 133.5 |
| Free float (%)    |           | 96.2  |

**Next event** Q3 report 5 November 2026

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| <b>SEKm</b>                 | <b>2024</b> | <b>2025</b> | <b>2026e</b> | <b>2027e</b> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Sales                       | 0           | 0           | 78           | 75           |
| <i>Sales growth (%)</i>     | --          | --          | --           | -4.3         |
| EBITDA                      | -68         | -74         | 10           | 15           |
| <i>EBITDA margin (%)</i>    | --          | --          | 13.4         | 19.7         |
| EBIT adj.                   | -68         | -74         | 10           | 15           |
| <i>EBIT adj. margin (%)</i> | --          | --          | 13.4         | 19.7         |
| Pretax profit               | -80         | -77         | 11           | 14           |
| EPS                         | -0.83       | -0.60       | 0.09         | 0.10         |
| <i>EPS growth (%)</i>       | -74.3       | -28.4       | nm           | 17.4         |
| EPS adj.                    | -0.83       | -0.60       | 0.09         | 0.10         |
| DPS                         | 0.00        | 0.00        | 0.00         |              |
| EV/EBITDA (x)               | -0.0        | -0.3        | -0.8         | -1.5         |
| EV/EBIT adj. (x)            | -0.0        | -0.3        | -0.8         | -1.5         |
| P/E (x)                     | nm          | nm          | 6.3          | 5.4          |
| P/E adj. (x)                | nm          | nm          | 6.3          | 5.4          |
| EV/sales (x)                | --          | --          | -0.11        | -0.30        |
| FCF yield (%)               | -118.9      | -102.9      | 16.5         | 18.5         |
| Le. adj. FCF yld. (%)       | -120.6      | -104.0      | 16.2         | 18.2         |
| Dividend yield (%)          | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0          | 0.0          |
| Net IB debt/EBITDA (x)      | 0.7         | 0.7         | -7.9         | -6.5         |
| Le. adj. ND/EBITDA (x)      | 0.7         | 0.7         | -8.0         | -6.6         |

Source: ABG Sundal Collier, Company Data

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