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**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of March, 2025

Commission file number: 001-37891

AC IMMUNE SA

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

EPFL Innovation Park

Building B

1015 Lausanne, Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated March 13, 2025
99.2	2024 Annual Report

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AC IMMUNE SA

By: /s/ Andrea Pfeifer

Name: Andrea Pfeifer

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Christopher Roberts

Name: Christopher Roberts

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 13, 2025



AC Immune Reports Full Year 2024 Financial Results and Provides a Corporate Update

- Landmark exclusive option and license deal with Takeda for ACI-24.060 with \$100 million upfront and additional potential milestones of up to about \$2.1 billion plus royalties on sales upon commercialization
- ACI-24.060 ABATE Phase 1b/2 trial showed encouraging interim safety and tolerability data in Down syndrome (DS) cohort; further interim results in Alzheimer's disease (AD) and DS expected in 2025
- Enrollment progress in JNJ-2056 (ACI-35.030) ReTain Phase 2b trial in preclinical AD patients triggered second milestone payment of CHF 24.6 million; JNJ-2056 granted U.S. FDA Fast Track Designation in AD
- ACI-7104.056 VacSYn Phase 2 trial demonstrated positive interim safety and immunogenicity results in Parkinson's disease (PD); further interim results in H1 2025
- Cash resources of CHF 165.5 million at year end provides funding into Q1 2027, assuming no other milestones

Lausanne, Switzerland, March 13, 2025 – AC Immune SA (NASDAQ: ACIU), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company pioneering precision therapeutics for neurodegenerative diseases, today reported results for the full year ended December 31, 2024, and provided a corporate update.

Dr. Andrea Pfeifer, CEO of AC Immune SA, commented: “We significantly advanced our leading position in the precision prevention of neurodegenerative diseases in 2024 through strong pipeline progress and the closing of a landmark deal with Takeda. Achievements across our portfolio of active immunotherapies, including encouraging clinical data from ACI-7104.056 and ACI-24.060 and U.S. FDA Fast Track designation for ACI-35.030, underscore the potential of this modality to treat patients earlier and to prevent or delay neurodegenerative diseases and their symptoms. We anticipate additional important evidence this year from the VacSYn trial of ACI-7104.056 and the ABATE trial of ACI-24.060, bringing us closer to redefining treatment with more convenient and better tolerated prevention options for these devastating conditions.”

“The agreement with Takeda for ACI-24.060 includes potential milestone payments of up to \$2.1 billion and affirms our proven track record of securing high-value partnerships. In 2024, our partnership with Takeda included a \$100 million upfront payment, combined with a CHF 24.6 million milestone payment from Janssen, triggered by rapid prescreening rates in the ReTain trial of ACI-35.030. These payments ensure funding for currently planned operations into 2027 and reaffirm the value of our pipeline assets and differentiated discovery platforms.”

“The ability to innovate is key to our future success. Driven by our two drug discovery platforms, in 2024, we advanced multiple early-stage assets, such as small molecule candidates targeting NLRP3 and Tau further into development.”

2024 and Subsequent Highlights

Active Immunotherapy Programs

ACI-24.060 anti-Abeta active immunotherapy

- AC Immune and Takeda signed an exclusive option and license agreement for AC Immune's active immunotherapies targeting Abeta, including ACI-24.060 for AD. AC Immune received an upfront payment of \$100 million and is eligible to receive total potential payments of up to approximately \$2.1 billion; these include an option exercise fee, development, commercial and sales milestones. Upon commercialization, AC Immune also is entitled to receive tiered double-digit royalties on worldwide net sales.
- Positive interim data from the ABATE Phase 1b/2 trial in individuals with DS showed that ACI-24.060 was generally safe and well tolerated with no serious adverse events related to the study drug and no cases of amyloid-related imaging abnormalities (ARIA). ABATE will now start to evaluate the high dose of ACI-24.060 in individuals with DS.
- Treatment of AD patients in the Phase 1b/2 ABATE trial continues.

ACI-35.030 (JNJ-2056) anti-phospho-Tau (anti-pTau) active immunotherapy

- AC Immune received the second ReTain-related milestone payment of CHF 24.6 million under its agreement with Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Janssen), a Johnson & Johnson company. The payment was triggered by the rapid prescreening rate in the potentially registrational Phase 2b ReTain trial investigating JNJ-2056 (ACI-35.030) to treat preclinical (pre-symptomatic) AD. Phase 1b/2a clinical testing showed that ACI-35.030 induces an antibody response targeting pathologic phosphorylated Tau while sparing normal physiological forms of Tau.
- Johnson & Johnson received Fast Track designation for JNJ-2056 from the U.S. FDA for AD in July 2024.
- The UK Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has awarded the innovative medicine designation, the Innovation Passport, for ACI-35.030/JNJ-2056 in the treatment of AD. This is the entry point to the Innovative Licensing and Access Pathway (ILAP) which aims to accelerate time to market and facilitate patient access.

ACI-7104.056 anti-a-syn active immunotherapy

- ACI-7104.056 demonstrated positive interim safety and immunogenicity in the Phase 2 VacSYn clinical trial in early PD patients:
 - o Positive antibody responses were induced against the target antigen at week 6 after 2 immunizations and were strongly boostable.
 - o ACI-7104.056 induced an increase in anti-a-syn antibodies on average 16-fold higher than the placebo background level after three immunizations.
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- o To date, no clinically relevant safety issues have been reported and the most common adverse events were transient injection site reactions (49%) and headaches (18%).

Small Molecule Programs

- ACI-19764 small molecule NLRP3 inhibitor is undergoing *in vivo* proof of concept with results expected in 2025 anticipated to enable investigational new drug (IND) application.
- Our Morphomer Tau and Morphomer a-syn small molecule aggregation inhibitors have made steady progress with selection of lead candidates expected in 2025.

Diagnostic Programs

- AC Immune's partner Life Molecular Imaging (LMI) received FDA Fast Track Designation for the Tau positron emission tomography (PET) diagnostic PI-2620 in AD, progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP), and corticobasal degeneration (CBD).
- Phase 1 clinical trial of TDP-43-PET tracer ACI-19626 in genetic frontotemporal dementia (FTD) is ongoing with initial clinical data expected in 2025.
- Completed IND-enabling studies of a-syn-PET tracer ACI-15916 for the diagnosis of PD.

Thought and Innovation Leadership

- AC Immune's therapeutic and diagnostic programs were featured in multiple presentations at the International Conference on Alzheimer's & Parkinson's disease (AD/PD™ 2024). In addition, Andrea Pfeifer, Ph.D., CEO of AC Immune, led an industry symposium exploring the latest clinical advances in the diagnosis and treatment of alpha-synuclein pathologies.
 - AC Immune unveiled its novel therapeutic antibody drug conjugate technology morADC for improved efficacy in neurodegenerative diseases at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC) 2024. morADC combines proprietary brain-penetrant small molecule Morphomers® with SupraAntigen® monoclonal antibodies and holds substantial promise in our fight against neurodegeneration.
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Anticipated 2025 Milestones

Program	Milestone	Expected in
ACI-24.060 anti-Abeta active immunotherapy	· ABATE Phase 2 trial interim results in AD and DS	H2 2025
ACI-7104.056 anti-a-syn active immunotherapy	· Further interim results from Part 1 of Phase 2 VacSYn trial in PD, including pharmacodynamics and biomarkers	H1 2025
	· Initiation of Part 2 of VacSYn trial	H2 2025
TDP-43 monoclonal antibody	· Validated pharmacodynamic assay for clinical readout	H2 2025
ACI-19764 Small molecule NLRP3 inhibitor	· Lead declaration and initiation of IND-enabling studies	H1 2025
	· IND/CTA filing	H2 2025
Morphomer-Tau aggregation inhibitors	· Lead declaration and initiation of IND-enabling studies	H2 2025
Morphomer a-syn aggregation inhibitor	· Lead declaration	H2 2025
morADC	· <i>In vivo</i> PoC study of proprietary brain delivery platform	H1 2025
TDP-43-PET tracer	· Initial Phase 1 readout in genetic FTD	H2 2025
ACI-15916 a-syn-PET tracer	· Phase 1 readout	H2 2025

Analysis of Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

- **Cash Position:** The Company had total cash resources of CHF 165.5 million as of December 31, 2024, compared to total cash resources of CHF 103.1 million as of December 31, 2023. The Company's cash balance provides sufficient capital resources into Q1 2027, assuming no other milestones.
- **Contract Revenues:** The Company recorded CHF 27.3 million in contract revenues for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared with CHF 14.8 million in contract revenues in the prior year. For the year ended December 31, 2024, our contract revenues of CHF 27.3 million were related to:
 - o The recognition of the second ReTain-related milestone payment of CHF 24.6 million under the agreement with Janssen. The milestone payment was triggered by the rapid rate of prescreening in the potentially registrational Phase 2b ReTain trial investigating active-immunotherapy candidate JNJ-2056 (ACI-35.030) to treat preclinical AD; and

- o The efforts made under the agreement with Takeda for the development, CMC, and regulatory activities.
- **R&D Expenditures:** R&D expense increased by CHF 8.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2024 to CHF 62.6 million, predominantly due to:
 - o **Discovery and preclinical expenses:** Decrease of CHF 1.8 million, primarily due to the completion of certain pre-clinical studies and our strategic focus on advancing clinical-stage programs. As a result, a greater proportion of our resources was allocated to clinical development activities rather than discovery and pre-clinical activities.
 - o **Clinical expenses:** Increase of CHF 8.8 million, primarily due to an increase of activities in our Phase 1b/2 ABATE study of ACI-24.060, and our Phase 2 VacSYn study of ACI-7104.056. This was partially offset by a decrease of CHF 0.8 million for the clinical development of ACI-35.030, driven by the completion of the prior Phase 1b/2a trial and its progression into the Phase 2b ReTain trial, where the costs are borne by Janssen.
 - o **Salary- and benefit-related costs:** Increase of CHF 1.0 million, primarily due to the annualization of 2023 hires and additional new hires during the year, which resulted in an increase in salary- and benefit-related costs of CHF 0.7 million, and CHF 0.3 million in share-based compensation expense.
- **G&A Expenditures:** G&A expenses increased by CHF 2.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2024, to CHF 17.3 million. This increase is due to legal fees related to business development and licensing activities, as well as salaries and related costs, largely attributable to the higher expenses from equity awards granted in 2024, which have a higher fair value based on our share price development.
- **IFRS Loss for the Period:** The Company reported a net loss after taxes of CHF 50.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared with a net loss of CHF 54.2 million for the prior period.

2025 Financial Guidance

- For the full year 2025, the Company expects its total cash expenditure to be in the range of CHF 75–85 million. The Company defines total cash expenditure as operating expenditures adjusted to include capital expenditures and offset by significant non-cash items (including share-based compensation and depreciation expense).

About AC Immune SA

AC Immune SA is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company and a global leader in precision prevention for neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and NeuroOrphan indications driven by misfolded proteins. The Company's two clinically validated technology platforms, SupraAntigen® and Morphomer®, fuel its broad and diversified pipeline of first- and best-in-class assets, which currently features sixteen therapeutic and diagnostic programs, including five in Phase 2 development and one in Phase 3. AC Immune has a strong track record of securing strategic partnerships with leading global pharmaceutical companies, resulting in substantial non-dilutive funding to advance its proprietary programs and >\$4.5 billion in potential milestone payments plus royalties.



SupraAntigen® is a registered trademark of AC Immune SA in the following territories: AU, EU, CH, GB, JP, RU, SG and USA. Morphomer® is a registered trademark of AC Immune SA in CN, CH, GB, JP, KR, NO and RU.

The information on our website and any other websites referenced herein is expressly not incorporated by reference into, and does not constitute a part of, this press release.

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Forward looking statements

This press release contains statements that constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical fact and may include statements that address future operating, financial or business performance or AC Immune’s strategies or expectations. In some cases, you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as “may,” “might,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “projects,” “potential,” “outlook” or “continue,” and other comparable terminology. Forward-looking statements are based on management’s current expectations and beliefs and involve significant risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, developments and business decisions to differ materially from those contemplated by these statements. These risks and uncertainties include those described under the captions “Item 3. Key Information – Risk Factors” and “Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” in AC Immune’s Annual Report on Form 20-F and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and AC Immune does not undertake any obligation to update them in light of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable law. All forward-looking statements are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement.

Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In CHF thousands)

	As of December 31,	
	2024	2023
Assets		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	2,651	3,376
Right-of-use assets	5,437	3,508
Intangible asset	50,416	50,416
Long-term financial assets	415	361
Total non-current assets	<u>58,919</u>	<u>57,661</u>
Current assets		
Prepaid expenses	4,302	6,437
Accrued income	1,099	246
Other current receivables	1,104	622
Accounts receivable	—	14,800
Short-term financial assets	129,214	24,554
Cash and cash equivalents	36,275	78,494
Total current assets	<u>171,994</u>	<u>125,153</u>
Total assets	<u>230,913</u>	<u>182,814</u>
Shareholders' equity and liabilities		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	2,226	2,089
Share premium	478,506	474,907
Treasury shares	(218)	(105)
Currency translation differences	(5)	(51)
Accumulated losses	(368,239)	(316,197)
Total shareholders' equity	<u>112,270</u>	<u>160,643</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term deferred contract revenue	4,560	—
Long-term lease liabilities	4,401	2,825
Net employee defined benefit liabilities	8,844	5,770
Total non-current liabilities	<u>17,805</u>	<u>8,595</u>
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	2,658	1,679
Accrued expenses	12,098	11,087
Short-term deferred income	—	138
Short-term deferred contract revenue	85,056	—
Short-term lease liabilities	1,026	672
Total current liabilities	<u>100,838</u>	<u>13,576</u>
Total liabilities	<u>118,643</u>	<u>22,171</u>
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	<u>230,913</u>	<u>182,814</u>

Consolidated Statements of Income/(Loss)
(In CHF thousands, except for per-share data)

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2024	2023	2022
Revenue			
Contract revenue	27,309	14,801	3,935
Total revenue	<u>27,309</u>	<u>14,801</u>	<u>3,935</u>
Operating expenses			
Research & development expenses	(62,570)	(54,606)	(60,336)
General & administrative expenses	(17,259)	(15,305)	(15,789)
Other operating income/(expense), net	142	1,486	1,343
Total operating expenses	<u>(79,687)</u>	<u>(68,425)</u>	<u>(74,782)</u>
Operating loss	<u>(52,378)</u>	<u>(53,624)</u>	<u>(70,847)</u>
Financial income	3,196	1,044	69
Financial expense	(133)	(176)	(355)
Exchange differences	(1,598)	(1,467)	393
Finance result, net	<u>1,465</u>	<u>(599)</u>	<u>107</u>
Loss before tax	<u>(50,913)</u>	<u>(54,223)</u>	<u>(70,740)</u>
Income tax expense	(3)	(10)	(13)
Loss for the period	<u>(50,916)</u>	<u>(54,233)</u>	<u>(70,753)</u>
Loss per share:			
Basic and diluted loss for the period attributable to equity holders	(0.51)	(0.64)	(0.85)

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss)
(In CHF thousands)

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2024	2023	2022
Loss for the period	(50,916)	(54,233)	(70,753)
Items that may be reclassified to income or loss in subsequent periods (net of tax):			
Currency translation differences	46	(61)	10
Items that will not to be reclassified to income or loss in subsequent periods (net of tax):			
Remeasurement gains/(losses) on defined-benefit plans (net of tax)	(3,084)	(1,669)	4,426
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	(3,038)	(1,730)	4,436
Total comprehensive loss, net of tax	<u>(53,954)</u>	<u>(55,963)</u>	<u>(66,317)</u>