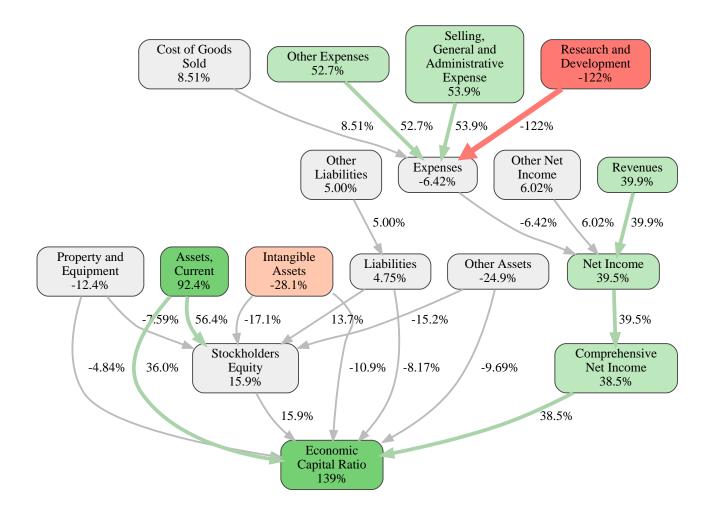


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The relative strengths and weaknesses of AKCEA THERAPEUTICS INC. are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of AKCEA THERAPEUTICS INC. compared to the market average is the variable Assets, Current, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 92% points. The greatest weakness of AKCEA THERAPEUTICS INC. is the variable Research and Development, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 122% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is -139%, being 139% points above the market average of -278%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	266,845
Cost of Goods Sold	0
Intangible Assets	1,221
Liabilities, Current	80,853
Liabilities, Non-Current	0
Other Assets	661
Other Compr. Net Income	-430
Other Expenses	3,006
Other Liabilities	8,318
Other Net Income	1,813
Property and Equipment	77
Research and Development	126,890
Revenues	55,313
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	36,981

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets	268,804
Liabilities	89,171
Expenses	166,877
Stockholders Equity	179,633
Net Income	-109,751
Comprehensive Net Income	-109,966
Economic Capital Ratio	-139%