

# Voyageur Pharmaceutical's Brent Willis on Revolutionizing the Medical Imaging Industry, plus SmoothX

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In a revealing interview on Investor.Coffee, host Tracy Weslosky engages in an enlightening conversation with Brent Willis, President, CEO, and Director of [Voyageur Pharmaceuticals Ltd.](#) (TSXV: VM). This discussion sheds light on the company's innovative strategies for 2024, marking its emergence as a leader in the pharmaceutical and medical imaging sectors. Willis offers a deep dive into how Voyageur Pharmaceuticals is preparing to redefine these industries with its trailblazing developments.

As a pioneering entity in the pharmaceutical and medical imaging industry, Voyageur Pharmaceuticals Ltd. is renowned for its specialization in the development of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) for barium, iodine, and carbon, complemented by its advancement in high-performance, cost-effective imaging contrast agents. The Canadian firm is spearheading a strategic effort to vertically integrate the contrast imaging market. This ambitious endeavor involves producing its own minerals and establishing partnerships with reputable third-party GMP pharmaceutical manufacturers in Canada. With a clear aim to dominate the market, Voyageur is committed to ensuring its products meet stringent global regulatory standards. The company's strategic roadmap includes aggressive expansion plans to break into international markets by late 2024 and to achieve FDA approvals for entry into the US and European markets by the

end of 2025. These initiatives are reinforced by recent distribution agreements, underscoring Voyageur's dedication to distributing its groundbreaking products on a global scale.

Adding to its commitment to innovation and market dominance, Voyageur's portfolio boasts five licensed variant contrast products, directly addressing the acute global shortage of such agents, particularly focusing on barium contrast agents for radiology. The company stands on the brink of manufacturing these products, anticipating a substantial increase in revenue potential and aiming to secure a significant market share. This goal is facilitated by Voyageur's strategic resource sourcing and manufacturing approach, especially its initiative to mine its own barium sulfate, promising to significantly reduce costs and boost its competitive advantage. The partnership with Rain Cage Carbon Inc. represents a major leap forward in imaging technology through the development of metallofullerene for MRI contrast agents. This collaboration not only sets the stage for introducing safer and more effective diagnostic tools but also reflects Voyageur's commitment to environmental sustainability. Aiming to be the first carbon-neutral pharmaceutical company via carbon capture technology, Voyageur aligns its practices with its environmental, social, and governance (ESG) goals, poised to make a significant impact on the imaging contrast agent market with its carbon-neutral agents and innovative manufacturing techniques. To access the complete interview, [click here](#)

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Voyageur, a Canadian public company trading under the symbol VM on the TSX Venture Exchange, is in development of barium, iodine and carbon Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) and high-

performance, cost-effective imaging contrast agents. With a strategic focus on vertically integrating the barium, iodine and carbon contrast imaging market, Voyageur aims to become a key player by producing its own barium, iodine, and fullerene minerals.

Voyageur's business plan is set to generate cash flow by partnering with established third-party GMP pharmaceutical manufacturers in Canada, ensuring the validation of its products by regulatory agencies worldwide. As the Company solidifies its presence in the market, it will transition into a high-margin domestic manufacturer of radiology drugs, further expanding its revenue streams.

Voyageur is committed to sustainability and environmental stewardship. The Company envisions a future where carbon neutrality is the norm, and to achieve this, it plans to build state-of-the-art carbon-neutral infrastructure. By investing in carbon neutral energy sources and sustainable manufacturing practices, it aims to become 100% self-sufficient across all its manufacturing activities. Voyageur's commitment to the environment sets it apart as a pioneer in the industry.

At the core of the Company's operations, Voyageur owns a 100% interest in two barium sulphate (barite) projects, including the Frances Creek and Pedley Mountain properties. Additionally, Voyageur holds interests in a high-grade iodine, lithium, and bromine brine project situated in Utah, USA, further bolstering its position in the industry. Voyageur also owns a 100% interest in two battery mineral projects which focus on copper/zinc development.

Voyageur's ambitious vision is to become the first vertically integrated, carbon-neutral company in the imaging contrast media drug market. By controlling all primary input costs, from the

sourcing of raw materials to final production, it plans to ensure unmatched quality and cost efficiency. Voyageur embodies the motto of " **From the Earth to the Bottle** ," highlighting its commitment to responsible sourcing and manufacturing practices.

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