

## **News Release**

May 12, 2010

## **Astellas Announces Cancellation of Treasury Stock**

Japan, May 12, 2010 – Astellas Pharma Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo; President and CEO: Masafumi Nogimori, hereinafter called "the Company") today announced that at the meeting of the Board of Directors held today, a resolution was adopted that the Company will cancel its treasury stock, pursuant to Article 178 of the Corporate Law.

## **Particulars**

1. Class of shares to be cancelled Common stock of the Company

2. Number of shares to be cancelled 8 million shares

(Representing 1.68% of issued shares prior to cancellation)

3. Cancellation date May 31, 2010

## (Reference)

- 1. Following cancellation, the Company will have 467,964,635 issued shares.
- 2. Total number of the Company's treasury stock after cancellation will be 6,146,832.

(Estimated numbers of shares described above 1 and 2 were calculated on the basis of the issued shares and the Company's treasury stock as of March 31, 2010, respectively.)

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