

Press Release

Astellas Named to FTSE4Good Sustainability Index for the Sixth Consecutive Year

Tokyo, July 5, 2017 - Astellas Pharma Inc. (President and CEO: Yoshihiko Hatanaka, “Astellas”) today announced that it has been selected for the sixth consecutive year to be included in the FTSE4Good Index Series, one of the world’s premier indices for socially responsible investment.

Managed by FTSE Russell¹, the FTSE4Good Index Series serves as a major criterion for investors around the world in assessing social responsibility activities by the companies, when making investment decisions. FTSE Russell uses unique criteria which contain 14 themes relevant to environmental, social and governance practices. The FTSE4Good Index Series, together with the Dow Jones Sustainability Index, are the most recognized sustainability indices worldwide.

Through a wide range of CSR activities, Astellas will continue to strive to create and protect social value, contribute to the sustainable development of society and consequently enhance its enterprise value.

(1) FTSE Russell: a global index leader 100% owned by London Stock Exchange.

About Astellas

Astellas Pharma Inc., based in Tokyo, Japan, is a company dedicated to improving the health of people around the world through the provision of innovative and reliable pharmaceutical products. We focus on Urology, Oncology, Immunology, Nephrology and Neuroscience as prioritized therapeutic areas while advancing new therapeutic areas and discovery research leveraging new technologies/modalities. We are also creating new value by combining internal capabilities and external expertise in the medical/healthcare business. Astellas is on the forefront of healthcare change to turn innovative science into value for patients. For more information, please visit our website at www.astellas.com/en

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In this press release, statements made with respect to current plans, estimates, strategies and beliefs and other statements that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements about the future performance of Astellas. These statements are based on management's current assumptions and beliefs in light of the information currently available to it and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to: (i) changes in general economic conditions and in laws and regulations, relating to pharmaceutical markets, (ii) currency exchange rate fluctuations, (iii) delays in new product launches, (iv) the inability of Astellas to market existing and new products effectively, (v) the inability of Astellas to continue to effectively research and develop products accepted by customers in highly competitive markets, and (vi) infringements of Astellas' intellectual property rights by third parties.

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