

News Release

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Astellas Establishes a Liaison Office in India

Japan, November 2, 2007 - Astellas Pharma Inc. ("Astellas"; headquarters: Tokyo; President and CEO: Masafumi Nogimori) today announced that it has established its liaison office, Astellas Pharma Inc., Mumbai Office, India.

The purpose of this office is to examine an entry into an Indian market in the future through investigating and gathering information for product development and marketing strategy.

The Indian population is approximately 1.1 billion. The Indian economy has been growing with nearly 10% anually and is expected to continuously evolve further. The pharmaceutical market in India is approximately \$6.2 billion mainly with infectious diseases supplies, which is the fourth largest pharmaceutical market within Asia after Japan, China and Korea. The market is expected to further expand since the intellectual property rights are getting systematized after the establishment of Product Patent regime in 2005.

Astellas runs its business globally including Europe, the US and Asia and has its marketing subsidiaries in 6 countries within Asia. Astellas is aiming at further business expansion within Asia with this office establishment as a footing in Indian market.

The details of the liaison office in India is as follows:

Name: Astellas Pharma Inc., Mumbai Office

Date of establishment: October 26, 2007 Location: Mumbai, India Representative: Teruo Yasufuku

Businesses description: Information gathering regarding Indian market etc.

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