

## **Hybrigenics' inecalcitol strengthens key patent protection in the United States until 2031**

- **Two new patents have just been granted in the United States: on a key step in the chemical synthesis of inecalcitol and on its formulation as innovative tablets.**
- **To date, inecalcitol is protected until 2031 in Europe, the United States, Japan and eight other countries.**

**Paris, 04 April 2016** – Hybrigenics (FR0004153930 - ALHYG), a bio-pharmaceutical company listed on the Alternext market of Euronext Paris, with a focus on research and development of new treatments of proliferative diseases, today announces having received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) the issue notification of two new different patents, one on the 14-epimerisation step in the chemical synthesis of inecalcitol and the other on its convenient formulation as innovative tablets. A third patent on the therapeutic use of inecalcitol at high doses had already been granted earlier in the United States. These three American patents are all valid into 2031, with the latest expiry on September 10, 2031.

In addition, all the three patent families have already been granted in Europe, Russia, Singapore and New-Zealand, two of them in Japan, Israel and Mexico and one of them in China, Taiwan and Australia. The latest expiry is July 2031 in these territories, except China, Taiwan, Australia and Israel (January 2031). Examination is still pending in Canada, Brazil, India and the Republic of Korea.

The IND authorization to perform the clinical study of oral inecalcitol in the United States in acute myeloid patients unfit for chemotherapy (see Hybrigenics' press release of January 11, 2016) prompted Hybrigenics to efficiently speed up the examination process of the two remaining patent applications regarding inecalcitol pending at the USPTO.

*"Our patenting strategy has been very successful in prolonging and strengthening Hybrigenics' intellectual property of inecalcitol, and in extending it worldwide until late 2031. This allows building valuable development plans and prolonged exclusivity commercialization models,"* said Remi Delansorne, Hybrigenics' CEO.

### **About Hybrigenics**

Hybrigenics ([www.hybrigenics.com](http://www.hybrigenics.com)) is a bio-pharmaceutical group listed (ALHYG) on the Alternext market of Euronext Paris, focusing its internal R&D programs on innovative targets and therapies for the treatment of proliferative diseases and providing cutting-edge proteomic and genomic scientific services. Hybrigenics' current development program is based on inecalcitol, a vitamin D receptor agonist active by oral administration. Oral inecalcitol has shown excellent tolerance and strong presumption of efficacy for the first-line treatment of metastatic castrate-resistant prostate cancer in combination with Taxotere®. Inecalcitol has also been tested in chronic lymphocytic leukemia patients, an indication for which inecalcitol has received orphan drug status in Europe and the United States. A clinical Phase II study of inecalcitol is currently ongoing in chronic myeloid leukemia patients. Hybrigenics has a research collaboration with Servier on deubiquitinating enzymes (DUBs) and their inhibitors in oncology, neurology, psychiatry, rheumatology, ophthalmology, diabetes and cardiovascular diseases. A first milestone has been achieved in a drug discovery program targeting one DUB in oncology.

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## Press Release

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Helixio ([www.helixio.com](http://www.helixio.com)), Hybrigenics' genomic branch, provides state-of-the-art services specialized in DNA chips, DNA or RNA target enrichment and next generation sequencing with an Illumina NextSeq500. Hybrigenics Corp., based in Cambridge, Mass., is the American subsidiary of Hybrigenics.

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