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Dear Sir / Madam,

# Sub: Press Release on signing of voluntary license with Medicines Patent Pool for Cabotegravir Long Acting Injectable for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

We enclose a copy of the Press Release that is being issued by the Company in connection with signing of voluntary license with Medicines Patent Pool for Cabotegravir Long Acting Injectable for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for 90 countries including India.

Please take the information on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For AUROBINDO PHARMA LIMITED

B. Adi Reddy Company Secretary

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Aurobindo announces signing of voluntary license with Medicines Patent Pool for Cabotegravir Long Acting Injectable for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for 90 countries including India

**Aurobindo Pharma Limited** (along with its subsidiaries together referred to as "Aurobindo") is pleased to announce the signing of voluntary sub-licensing with **Medicines Patent Pool (MPP)**, a UN organization, for developing and marketing **Cabotegravir Tablets & Long Acting Injectables**, originally developed by ViiV Healthcare, for the prevention of HIV in 90 Low and Middle-Income Countries (LMIC), including India.

For the generic version of Cabotegravir, Aurobindo will utilize their vertically integrated capabilities to develop in-house API manufacturing which will enable stronger control on supply chain and cost efficiencies. The tablet and injectable dosage forms of the product will be produced at the APL Healthcare Unit IV, Naidupet, India, and at the new Eugia Sterile facility, Vizag, India, respectively. The company has adequate capacities of world class standards, to meet the global demand for the product across the licensed territory.

**Mr. K. Nithyananda Reddy, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Aurobindo** said, "We are excited that we have been granted the voluntary license from MPP to develop, manufacture & distribute generic Cabotegravir Tablets & Long Acting Injectables in select markets. This is the first time a longer acting injectable product for prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection will be made available in the LMIC, through this license. This product will be a good addition to Aurobindo's ARV portfolio and will further strengthen our leadership in the generic HIV medicine space. We are looking forward to start supplying the product at the earliest and to help reducing the risk of HIV type 1 (HIV-1) infection in certain adults and adolescents weighing at least 35kg."

**Charles Gore, Executive Director of the Medicines Patent Pool** said, "We are delighted to count Aurobindo as one of the selected sublicensees to produce affordable high-quality versions of Cabotegravir long acting for PrEP. Broadening access to this innovative long-acting HIV prevention medicine could significantly contribute to ending HIV transmission by providing people with a choice in their HIV prevention options."

#### About Cabotegravir long acting injectable suspension and tablets

Cabotegravir long acting (LA) injectable suspension for HIV prevention is the first and only longer acting injectable PrEP option proven superior to daily oral FTC/TDF in reducing HIV acquisition.

Cabotegravir LA for PrEP is an integrase strand transfer inhibitor (INSTI). INSTIS, like cabotegravir extendedrelease injectable suspension, inhibit HIV replication by preventing the viral DNA from integrating into the genetic material of human immune cells (T-cells). This step is essential in the HIV replication cycle and is also responsible for establishing chronic disease.

Cabotegravir LA for PrEP is provided as an injection administered six times per year and is initiated with a single 600 mg (3-ml) injection given one month apart for two consecutive months. After the second initiation injection, the recommended continuation injection dose is a single 600 mg (3-ml) injection given every two months. Cabotegravir oral tablets may be administered for approximately one month before initiating the first injection to assess the tolerability of the medicine.

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#### **About Medicines Patent Pool**

The Medicines Patent Pool (MPP) is a United Nations-backed public health organisation working to increase access to, and facilitate the development of, life-saving medicines for low- and middle-income countries. Through its innovative business model, MPP partners with civil society, governments, international organisations, industry, patient groups, and other stakeholders, to prioritise and license needed medicines and pool intellectual property to encourage generic manufacture and the development of new formulations. To date, MPP has signed agreements with 18 patent holders for 13 HIV antiretrovirals, one HIV technology platform, three Hepatitis C direct-acting antivirals, a tuberculosis treatment, a cancer treatment, four long-acting technologies, three oral antiviral treatments for COVID-19 and 12 COVID-19 technologies.

MPP was founded by Unitaid, which continues to be MPP's main funder. MPP's work on access to essential medicines is also funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC). MPP's activities in COVID-19 are undertaken with the financial support of the Japanese Government, the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, the German Agency for International Cooperation and SDC. More information at <a href="https://medicinespatentpool.org">https://medicinespatentpool.org</a> and follow us on Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube.

#### About Aurobindo Pharma Limited

Aurobindo Pharma Limited (www.aurobindo.com), (NSE: AUROPHARMA, BSE: 524804, Reuters: ARBN.NS, Bloomberg: ARBP IN) is an integrated global pharmaceutical company headquartered in Hyderabad, India. The Company develops, manufactures, and commercializes a wide range of generic pharmaceuticals, branded specialty pharmaceuticals and active pharmaceutical ingredients globally in over 150 countries.

The company has 24 manufacturing and packaging facilities that are approved by leading regulatory agencies including USFDA, UK MHRA, EDQM, Japan PMDA, WHO, Health Canada, South Africa MCC, Brazil ANVISA. The company's robust product portfolio is spread over 7 major therapeutic/product areas encompassing CNS, Anti-Retroviral, CVS, Antibiotics, Gastroenterological, Anti-Diabetics and Anti-Allergic, supported by a strong R&D set-up.

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