



## News Release

### **European Commission Releases Takeda from Commitment to Divest Shire's Pipeline Compound SHP647**

**Osaka, JAPAN, May 29, 2020** – Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited ([TSE:4502/NYSE:TAK](https://www.takeda.com/stock)) (“Takeda”) today announces that on May 28, the European Commission (the “EC”) has released Takeda from the obligation to divest the pipeline compound SHP647 and certain associated rights (“SHP647”), a commitment that was provided by Takeda to secure regulatory clearance of its acquisition of Shire plc (“Shire”). Takeda will discontinue the current SHP647 clinical trial program, and it will be providing all eligible trial participants with the opportunity to have continued access to SHP647 in a post-trial access (“PTA”) study. In addition, subject to obtaining trial participant consents and the satisfaction of regulatory and ethical considerations, Takeda will make SHP647 clinical trial data and biosamples available to the scientific community through the Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation (“Foundation”).

Takeda announced on November 20, 2018, that the EC approved its proposed acquisition of Shire (the “Acquisition”). The EC’s approval was conditioned on Takeda fulfilling commitments provided to the EC in connection with the regulatory clearance. Specifically, in relation to the future potential overlap in the area of inflammatory bowel diseases between Takeda’s marketed product Entyvio (vedolizumab) and Shire’s pipeline compound SHP647, Takeda committed to divest SHP647. The divestment of SHP647 was not a condition to the completion of the Acquisition, which became effective on January 8, 2019.

Subsequent to the completion of the Shire acquisition, the SHP647 clinical trial program was affected by exceptional circumstances, which have caused the EC to conclude that the competition concerns previously identified by the EC no longer arise. Accordingly, the EC found that Takeda’s obligation to divest SHP647 was no longer justified and the EC waived the commitment.

Takeda engaged in two formal and rigorous sale processes spanning 14-months to identify and engage with potential purchasers of SHP647. The first sales process was conducted by Takeda and the second by an independent Divestiture Trustee, which was appointed under the standard procedure provided for in Takeda’s commitments to the EC. Takeda and the Divestiture Trustee each engaged with more than 60 potential purchasers, but the sale process was unsuccessful.

Takeda will no longer develop the SHP647 compound in any inflammatory bowel disease indication, including Ulcerative Colitis or Crohn’s Disease. The SHP647 clinical trial program will be discontinued in an orderly

manner over the coming months. New patient enrolment into the study protocols was already stopped in late March due to the risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. The trials will be unblinded and not restarted. Takeda is committed to providing all eligible patients already in the SHP647 clinical trials and responding to treatment with the opportunity to have continued access to SHP647 in a PTA study. The parameters for this PTA study will be determined in collaboration with the SHP647 program's steering committee and relevant regulatory authorities, and subsequently launched, subject to applicable local regulations and ethical considerations. Patients should continue to adhere to the current study protocol until contacted by their study site after guidance has been provided by the Takeda study team members. Treatment will be made available to patients enrolled in this PTA study to meet their individual treatment needs.

In addition, Takeda will make SHP647 clinical trial data and biosamples available to the scientific community through the Foundation, via the IBD Plexus® platform, a first-of-its-kind research information exchange platform and biobank that centralizes data and biosamples from diverse research studies, subject to applicable local regulations and ethical considerations. The Foundation will serve as an independent body to review requests from investigators and physicians seeking access to anonymised SHP647 clinical trial data and biosamples, and to make final decisions on data sharing. Takeda is committed to sharing clinical trial data and biosamples that benefit patients and foster scientific discovery in a way that ensures patient consent to the use of the data, privacy and preserves the integrity of research.

Assets and liabilities related to SHP647, which were previously classified as held for sale on Takeda's consolidated statements of financial position, have ceased to be classified as held for sale as the result of the EC's decision. Takeda will reverse previously estimated liabilities and reassess the estimates of the future costs related to SHP647 such as program termination costs, which will have a net impact of gain on our Operating Profit in Q1 of the current fiscal year ending March 31, 2021 (i.e., FY2020). This impact will be disclosed in due course, after it becomes available.

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For more information, visit <https://www.takeda.com>.

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For more information, visit [www.crohnscolitisfoundation.org](http://www.crohnscolitisfoundation.org), call 888-694-8872, or email [info@crohnscolitisfoundation.org](mailto:info@crohnscolitisfoundation.org).

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