

Inventiva launches an independent working group to help increase NASH awareness and establish best practices for its treatment

Daix (France), September 24th, 2018 – Inventiva S.A. (“Inventiva” or the “Company”), a biopharmaceutical company developing innovative therapies in nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH), systemic sclerosis (SSc) and mucopolysaccharidosis (MPS), announced today the creation of the panNASH™* initiative, a working group consisting of a committee of international independent experts that aims to increase the visibility and contribute to a better understanding of NASH, to share their expertise and to establish best practices for the treatment of the disease.

The initiative, which is supported by Inventiva, includes European and American medical experts in areas related to NASH such as hepatology, diabetes and cardiology, along with renowned scientific experts focused on promoting a better understanding of the physiopathological mechanisms involved in NASH (*see the list of the founding members at the end of this press release*). Their aim will therefore be to play an active role in developing and disseminating their NASH expertise among the scientific community, patients and other key stakeholders within the healthcare system.

In particular, the experts group intends to help develop and share new findings about NASH through publications, conferences and training sessions. It will particularly focus on the development of the disease, the identification of patients at risk, clinical markers and associated health risks, as well as the development of new treatments. Specifically, the committee will help to increase knowledge of pathological mechanisms ranging from metabolic disorders to fibrosis and comorbidities, with a focus on the modulating role played by PPARs (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors, α, δ, γ subtypes).

Frédéric Cren, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Inventiva, stated: *“This working group brings together recognized NASH experts with unique and complementary skills and represents a further commitment by Inventiva to become a key player in the development of a treatment for this disease. I am confident that the program will lead to a better understanding of NASH by the various stakeholders. The group’s work will play a key role in establishing best practices for the treatment of NASH, a serious disease for which there is not yet any approved treatment, but which is one of society’s most widespread metabolic diseases, with 30 million patients already affected in the USA alone.”*

The first meeting of the panNASH™ initiative took place in Geneva on September 22, 2018 following the *NAFLD Summit 2018* organized by European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL).

Committee members			
Specialist field	Country	Name	Affiliation
Hepatology	Belgium	Pr. Sven Francque	Antwerp University Hospital
Hepatology	Germany	Pr. Frank Tacke	University Hospital Aachen
Hepatology	Switzerland	Pr. Jean-François Dufour	University Clinic Bern
Hepatology	US	Pr. Manal Abdelmalek	Duke University
Hepatology	US	Pr. Gyongyi Szabo	University of Massachusetts
Diabetology	Germany	Pr. Michael Roden	Heinrich Heine University
Diabetology	US	Pr. Kenneth Cusi	University of Florida
Cardiology	UK	Pr. Christopher Byrne	University of Southampton
Cardiology	US	Pr. Frank Sacks	Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

*panNASH is an initiative coordinated by Terra Firma



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Inventiva is a biopharmaceutical company specialized in the development of drugs interacting with nuclear receptors, transcription factors and epigenetic modulators. Inventiva's research engine opens up novel breakthrough therapies against fibrotic diseases, cancers and orphan diseases with substantial unmet medical needs.

Lanifibranor, its lead product, is an anti-fibrotic treatment acting on the three alpha, gamma and delta PPARs (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors), which play key roles in controlling the fibrotic process. Its anti-fibrotic action targets two initial indications with substantial unmet medical need: NASH, a severe and increasingly prevalent liver disease already affecting over 30 million people in the United States, and systemic sclerosis, a disease with a very high mortality rate and for which there is no approved treatment to date.

Inventiva is also developing a second clinical program with odiparcil (IVA 336) for the treatment of patients with mucopolysaccharidosis type VI (or Maroteaux-Lamy syndrome), a rare and severe gene disease affecting children. Odiparcil has also the potential to address other MPS types, characterized by the accumulation of chondroitin or dermatan sulfate (MPS I or Hurler/Sheie syndrome, MPS II or Hunter syndrome, MPS IVa or Morquio syndrome and MPS VII or Sly syndrome). Inventiva is also developing a portfolio of early research projects in the field of oncology.

Inventiva benefits from partnerships with world-leading research entities such as the Institut Curie in the field of oncology. Two strategic partnerships have also been established with world-class major pharmaceutical companies AbbVie and Boehringer Ingelheim in the fields of autoimmune diseases (specifically in psoriasis) and fibrosis respectively. These partnerships provide milestone payments to Inventiva upon the achievement of pre-clinical, clinical, regulatory and commercial milestones, in addition to royalties on the products resulting from the partnerships.

Inventiva employs over 100 highly qualified employees and owns state-of-the-art R&D facilities near Dijon, acquired from the international pharmaceutical group Abbott. The Company owns, a proprietary chemical library of over 240,000 molecules as well as integrated biology, chemistry, ADME and pharmacology platforms.

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