

## Active Biotech's partner Ipsen initiates a proof-ofconcept study with tasquinimod in additional cancer indications

**Lund, Sweden, October 19, 2012** – Active Biotech (NASDAQ OMX NORDIC: ACTI) today announces that its partner Ipsen (Euronext: IPN; ADR: IPSEY, <u>read the press release here</u>) will initiate a new phase II, proof-of-concept clinical trial with tasquinimod in a so-called umbrella study evaluating the compound in four different tumor types.

The study will evaluate the safety and efficacy of tasquinimod in advanced or metastatic hepato-cellular, ovarian, renal cell and gastric carcinomas in patients who have progressed after standard therapies.

## **About Active Biotech**

Active Biotech AB (NASDAQ OMX NORDIC: ACTI) is a biotechnology company with focus on autoimmune/inflammatory diseases and cancer. Projects in or entering pivotal phase are laquinimod, an orally administered small molecule with unique immunomodulatory properties for the treatment of multiple sclerosis, tasquinimod for prostate cancer as well as ANYARA for use in cancer targeted therapy, primarily of renal cell cancer. In addition, laquinimod is in Phase II development for Crohn's and Lupus. An additional project in clinical development is the orally administered compound 57-57 for Systemic Sclerosis. Please visit <a href="https://www.activebiotech.com">www.activebiotech.com</a> for more information.

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