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## Simeprevir is now available for Hepatitis C patients in Japan, USA and Canada

**Stockholm, Sweden—Medivir AB (OMX: MVIR)** Based on the recent approvals in Japan, Canada and USA, simeprevir is now available in all three markets. Simeprevir is administered once-daily for 12 weeks in combination with pegylated interferon and ribavirin, followed by pegylated interferon and ribavirin alone for an additional 12 or 36 weeks.

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## **About Simeprevir**

Simeprevir is an NS3/4A protease inhibitor jointly developed by Janssen R&D Ireland and Medivir AB for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C infection in combination with other antivirals in HCV genotype 1 & 4 infected patients with compensated liver disease, including cirrhosis.

Simeprevir was approved for the treatment of genotype 1 hepatitis C in September 2013 in Japan and in the USA and Canada in November and has now been launched in all three markets. A Marketing Authorisation Application was submitted to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in April 2013 by Janssen-Cilag International NV seeking approval of simeprevir for the treatment of genotype 1 or genotype 4 chronic hepatitis C.

To date, more than 3,700 patients have been treated with simeprevir in clinical trials. Simeprevir is also being studied in several interferon-free regimens using selected combinations of direct-acting antiviral agents with different mechanisms of action.

## About Medivir

Medivir is an emerging research-based pharmaceutical company focused on infectious diseases. Medivir has world class expertise in polymerase and protease drug targets and drug development which has resulted in a strong infectious disease R&D portfolio. The Company's key pipeline asset is simeprevir, a novel protease inhibitor for the treatment of hepatitis C that is being developed in collaboration with Janssen R&D Ireland. The company is also working with research and development in other areas, such as bone disorders and neuropathic pain. Medivir has also a broad product portfolio with prescription pharmaceuticals in the Nordics.

For more information about Medivir AB, please visit the Company's website: www.medivir.com