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Press release

Orexo intends to conduct a private placement of shares to Swedish and international institutional and strategic investors

Uppsala, Sweden – August 28, 2014 - Orexo AB (publ) today announces the launch of a private placement of Orexo shares, including the 1,121,124 shares held in treasury by Orexo, to Swedish and international institutional and strategic investors.

The price for the shares will be determined through a book-building procedure initiated at 5.31pm CET on August 28, 2014. Pricing and allocation of the private placement is expected to take place before beginning of trading on NASDAQ OMX Stockholm at 9:00am CET on August 29, 2014. The total amount of shares to be offered in the private placement will be determined in the book-building procedure.

The proceeds from the private placement are intended to finance the continued expansion of Zubsolv and Orexo's presence in addiction medicine.

The private placement is subject to resolution by the Board of Directors of Orexo, pursuant to authorizations given by the 2014 annual general meeting, to sell existing Orexo shares and/or issue new Orexo shares, as the case may be, following the closing of the private placement book-building procedure.

Danske Bank is acting as sole lead manager and bookrunner of the private placement. Ashurst is legal adviser to Danske Bank and Vinge legal adviser to Orexo.

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About Orexo

Orexo is a specialty pharma company with commercial operations in the United States and R&D in Sweden developing improved treatments using proprietary drug delivery technology and commercial operations in the United States. The company is commercializing its proprietary product, Zubsolv®, for maintenance treatment of opioid dependence, in the United States. Zubsolv is a novel formulation of



buprenorphine and naloxone using Orexo's extensive knowledge in sublingual technologies. Orexo has a portfolio of two approved and revenue generating products currently marketed under license in the EU and US. Orexo AB, with its headquarters in Sweden, is listed on NASDAQ OMX Stockholm Exchange and its American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) trade on the OTCQX marketplace in the U.S. under the symbol, "ORXOY". The largest shareholders are Novo A/S and HealthCap.

For information about Orexo please visit www.orexo.com

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