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TopoTarget Announces Award of Two Key Patents

- *Valproic acid patent granted in US -*
- *HDAC patent granted in Europe -*

Copenhagen, Denmark – 6 December 2007 – TopoTarget A/S (OMX: TOPO) announced today that it has been granted a key patent in the US covering the use of Valproic acid (VPA) to treat the major cancer types. Additionally the company has been awarded an important HDAC patent in Europe.

The VPA patent US 7,265,154 is valid until February 2022 and covers the use of VPA and close derivatives against the major types of cancer. A corresponding patent has already been granted in Europe and is pending in other territories.

“The granting of this patent gives us an extremely strong patent position not just for skin diseases but also for other cancer indications, for our VPA franchise of products of BACECA®, AVUGANE™ and Savicol™, which are in Phase II development treating skin diseases and Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP) which leads to colorectal cancer.” Said Professor Peter Buhl Jensen, CEO of TopoTarget A/S. “The clinical data we have collected to now supports our belief that there is a clear opportunity in repurposing VPA in order to help patients with different types of skin cancer including Basal Cell Carcinoma where we recently published positive Phase II data.”

Additionally the HDAC patent application EP1492534 has been allowed and has broad claims to a class of hydroxamic acids comprising a piperazine linkage as histone deacetylase (HDAC) inhibitors and their use in proliferative diseases such as cancer and psoriasis. This application is currently pending in all major territories, has been granted in New Zealand and allowed in Mexico. The claims in this application cover the HDAC compound PX118490 which has been out-licensed to LEO Pharma A/S for development as an anti-psoriasis drug. TopoTarget’s lead product in clinical development, belinostat, is covered by other patents in the company’s IP estate.

“This HDAC patent adds to our already very comprehensive global patent estate covering our HDAC library,” said Professor Peter Buhl Jensen, Chief Executive Officer of TopoTarget A/S. “A robust IP position is key in our ongoing strategy to develop new effective oncology therapies that can be brought to the market to help to treat patients who need them.”

TopoTarget has a number of HDAC inhibitors in clinical and pre-clinical development, including belinostat, which is currently in Phase II trials for a number of cancer indications.



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Today's news does not change TopoTarget's full-year financial guidance for 2007.

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Background information

About HDAC inhibitors

HDAC inhibitors are a class of therapeutics with a novel mechanism of action that target HDAC enzymes involved in the regulation of multiple key processes in cancer and inflammatory diseases as well as other indications. HDAC inhibitors function by altering levels of gene transcription and have been shown to have multiple effects on cancer cells including growth arrest (also in drug resistant subtypes), induction of apoptosis or programmed cell death, promotion of cellular differentiation and inhibition of angiogenesis. HDAC inhibitors can also overcome drug resistance by re-sensitizing chemotherapy resistant cancer cells to treatment, and in combination with other anti-cancer agents, produce synergy in their anti-tumour effects.

About TopoTarget

TopoTarget (OMX: TOPO) is a biotech company, headquartered in Denmark and with subsidiaries in the US, Switzerland, Germany and the UK, dedicated to finding "Answers for Cancer" and developing improved cancer therapies. TopoTarget is founded and run by clinical cancer specialists and combines years of hands-on clinical experience with in-depth understanding of the molecular mechanisms of cancer. Focus lies on highly predictive cancer models and key cancer targets (including HDACi, NAD+, mTOR, FasLigand and topoisomerase II inhibitors) and a strong development foundation has been built. TopoTarget has a broad portfolio of small molecule pre-clinical drug candidates and nine drugs (both small molecules and protein based) are in clinical development, including both novel anti-cancer therapeutics and new cancer indications for existing drugs. Savene™/Totect™ was approved by EMEA in 2006 and the FDA in 2007 and is TopoTarget's first product on the market. For more information, please refer to www.topotarget.com.

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