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# **TopoTarget launches Totect™ in the US**

- Only FDA-Approved Treatment for Anthracycline Extravasation -

Copenhagen, Denmark - 16 October 2007 - TopoTarget A/S (OMX: TOPO) - has announced that TopoTarget USA, Inc., the US subsidiary of TopoTarget A/S, has made Totect™ available to cancer facilities throughout the US. Totect™ is the only FDA-approved treatment for extravasation from intravenous anthracycline chemotherapy, the accidental leakage of chemotherapy drugs into surrounding tissue. The company received approval from the US Food and Drug Administration on 6 September 2007.

"While the number of patients who may be victims of this terrible accident may be low, the cost to these patients and their families, the facilities and the health care system overall can be astronomical," said John L. Parsons, president of TopoTarget USA, Inc. "It is sometimes difficult to prevent an extravasation from occurring, but oncology nurses and physicians now have a way to halt and reverse the devastating effects," continued Parsons

More than 500,000 intravenous anthracycline chemotherapy treatments are administered in the US each year.

According to Parsons, an estimated 3,600 oncology departments and centers could benefit from having a Totect kit available in the event of an anthracycline extravasation. Topo Target USA, Inc. has recruited a sales force of 10 oncology specialists. The company also distributes the treatment in Europe under the name Savene.

Extravasation occurs when intravenously administered chemotherapy drugs accidentally leak out into surrounding tissue. This can occur if a patient is receiving anthracycline chemotherapy intravenously or through a surgically placed port. Extravasation with anthracyclines can lead to severe and cumulative tissue necrosis including serious damage of the surrounding skin, subcutaneous tissue, muscles and nerves. Currently, most patients who have suffered from an anthracycline extravasation need surgery to remove the



damaged tissue and further plastic surgery. In addition, a patient cannot continue with chemotherapy until the damaged area heals.

In the event of an anthracycline extravasation, early detection and rapid treatment can prevent healthy tissue damage – within six hours of the occurrence. In TopoTarget's clinical trials, only one of the 57 evaluable patients required surgery, while 13 had late sequelae at the event, including pain, fibrosis, atrophy and local sensory disturbance, which did not require surgery and could continue with chemotherapy soon after treatment.

For further information on Totect™ visit www.totect.com.

The launch of Totect $^{\text{TM}}$  does not change TopoTarget's full-year financial guidance for 2007.

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### **Background information**

## **About TopoTarget**

TopoTarget (OMX: TOPO) is a biotech company, headquartered in Denmark and with subsidiaries in 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 indepth 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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