

## AZ completes US Aralez agreement for Toprol-XL

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### ASTRAZENECA COMPLETES AGREEMENT WITH ARALEZ FOR BETA-BLOCKER MEDICINE TOPROL-XL IN THE US

AstraZeneca today announced the completion of its [agreement](#) with Aralez Pharmaceuticals Trading DAC, a subsidiary of Aralez Pharmaceuticals Inc., for the rights to branded and authorised generic Toprol-XL (metoprolol succinate) in the US. Toprol-XL is a beta-blocker medicine for the control of hypertension (high blood pressure), angina (chest pain) and heart failure, first approved in the US in 1992.

Under the agreement, AstraZeneca has received \$175 million for the rights to Toprol-XL tablets in the US, and the authorised generic medicine marketed by Par Pharmaceuticals. Aralez will also pay AstraZeneca up to \$48 million in milestone and sales-related payments, as well as mid-teen percentage royalties on sales. As AstraZeneca will retain an ongoing interest in Toprol-XL in the US through the ongoing milestones, royalties and product supply, these payments will be reported as Externalisation Revenue in the Company's financial statements.

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