



PRESS RELEASE

MorphoSys Obtains PER.C6[®] Human Cell Line for Production of Antibody Material in MOR103 Program

Leiden/Sittard, The Netherlands, August 17, 2006— Dutch biotechnology company Crucell N.V. (Euronext, NASDAQ: CRXL) and technology partner DSM Biologics have announced today that MorphoSys AG (Frankfurt Stock Exchange: MOR; Prime Standard Segment, TecDAX) have signed a second PER.C6[®] license agreement. This license agreement allows MorphoSys to use the PER.C6[®] cell line in the production of clinical grade material for the development of its proprietary therapeutic antibody program MOR103. MOR103 is a fully human HuCAL[®] antibody, developed in the area of inflammatory diseases, such as rheumatoid arthritis. Further financial details on these agreements were not disclosed.

Further, MorphoSys has signed a Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Agreement with DSM Biologics to produce the clinical grade material in its FDA-approved facilities in Groningen, the Netherlands.

"Today's news shows that MorphoSys's MOR103 program is on track towards the next development stage – the filing of an IND in the second half of 2007," commented Dr. Marlies Sproll, Chief Scientific Officer of MorphoSys. "This collaboration brings together a fully human antibody to treat inflammatory diseases with production capabilities in the same fully-human environment. Manufacturing human antibodies in such a manner, offers several potential advantages over alternative production methods, especially when targeting chronic diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis."

"We are very pleased that respected antibody companies like MorphoSys are being convinced of the advantages of PER.C6[®] for antibody production," said Dr Jaap Goudsmit, Chief Scientific Officer of Crucell. "As we have seen with vaccines, PER.C6[®] is increasingly being accepted as the cell substrate for the production of antibodies."

"We are very pleased that MorphoSys continues to successfully utilize the PER.C6[®] cell line, and that they have chosen DSM Biologics as their preferred manufacturing partner," said Terry Novak, Business Director and Chief Marketing Officer at DSM Biologics. "It is exciting that we are combining two strong platforms for fully human antibodies."

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MorphoSys develops and applies innovative technologies for the production of synthetic antibodies, which accelerate drug discovery and target characterization. Founded in 1992, the Company's proprietary Human Combinatorial Antibody Library (HuCAL®) technology is used by researchers worldwide for human antibody generation. The Company currently has licensing agreements and/or research collaborations with Bayer (Berkeley, California/USA), Boehringer Ingelheim (Ingelheim, Germany), Bristol-Myers Squibb (New Jersey/USA), Centocor Inc. (Malvern, Pennsylvania/USA), Daiichi Sankyo & Co., Ltd. (Tokyo/Japan), GPC Biotech AG (Munich/Germany), Hoffmann-La Roche AG (Basel/Switzerland), ImmunoGen Inc. (Cambridge, Massachusetts/USA), Merck & Co., Inc. (Whitehouse Station, New Jersey/USA), Novartis AG (Basel, Switzerland), Novoplant GmbH (Gatersleben, Germany), OncoMed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Mountain View, USA), Pfizer Inc. (Delaware/USA), ProChon Biotech Ltd. (Rehovot/Israel), Schering AG (Berlin/Germany), Schering-Plough (Palo Alto/USA), Shionogi & Co., Ltd. (Osaka/Japan), Xoma Ltd. (Berkeley, California/USA) and others. Additionally, MorphoSys is active in the antibody research market through its AbD Serotec business unit. The business unit was founded in 2003 for the purpose of exploiting the MorphoSys non-therapeutic antibody markets. MorphoSys' activities in the research antibody segment were significantly strengthened through the acquisition of the U.K. and U.S.-based Biogenesis Group in January 2005 and Serotec Group in 2006. For further information please visit the corporate website at: <http://www.morphosys.com/>.

About Crucell

Crucell N.V. (Euronext, NASDAQ: CRXL; Swiss Exchange: CRX) is a biotechnology company focused on research, development and worldwide marketing of vaccines and antibodies that prevent and treat infectious diseases. Its vaccines are sold in public and private markets worldwide. Crucell's core portfolio includes a vaccine against hepatitis B and a virosome-adjuvanted vaccine against influenza. Crucell also markets travel vaccines, such as the only oral anti-typhoid vaccine and the only aluminum-free hepatitis A vaccine on the market. The Company has a broad development pipeline, including both early-stage products and products almost ready to go to market. Several Crucell products are based on its unique PER.C6® production technology. The Company licenses this and other technologies to the biopharmaceutical industry. Important partners and licensees include DSM Biologics, sanofi aventis, GSK and Merck & Co. Crucell is headquartered in Leiden (the Netherlands), with subsidiaries in Switzerland, Spain, Italy and Korea. The Company employs about 900 people. For more information, please visit www.crucell.com.

About DSM Biologics

DSM Biologics, a business unit of DSM Pharmaceutical Products, is a leading provider of manufacturing technology & services to the biopharmaceutical industry. In addition to offering world-class biopharmaceutical manufacturing services, DSM Biologics has co-exclusive rights, along with Dutch biotech company Crucell N.V., to license the high-producing PER.C6® human cell line as a production platform for recombinant proteins and monoclonal antibodies. DSM Biologics' FDA-approved facility in Groningen, the Netherlands was established in 1986, and has a strong track record in using a broad range of cell lines (PER.C6®, CHO, hybridoma, etc.) in biopharmaceutical manufacturing, and has a



wide-range of experience using multiple manufacturing (batch, fed-batch and continuous perfusion) and purification techniques. The combination of the PER.C6® human cell line and DSM's manufacturing services provides companies with a turn-key biologic manufacturing solution reducing cost, risk and time to market. For more information, please visit www.dsmbiologics.com.

Forward-looking statements

Statements included in this press release which are not historical in nature are intended to be, and are hereby identified as, "forward-looking statements" for purposes of the safe harbour provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by words including "anticipates", "believes", "intends", "estimates", "expects" and similar expressions. The company cautions readers that forward-looking statements, including without limitation those relating to the company's future operations and business prospects, are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements. Factors that may affect future operations and business prospects include, but are not limited to, clinical and scientific results and developments concerning corporate collaborations and the company's proprietary rights.

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