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Lupin receives FDA approval for Generic Avapro® Tablets

Mumbai, Baltimore, October 17, 2012: Pharma major, Lupin Ltd., announced today that its subsidiary Lupin Pharmaceuticals Inc. (collectively, Lupin) has received final approval for its Irbesartan Tablets, 75 mg, 150 mg and 300 mg from the United States Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) to market a generic version of Sanofi Aventis US, LLC's (Sanofi Aventis) Avapro Tablets, 75 mg, 150 mg and 300 mg strengths.

Lupin's Irbesartan Tablets, 75 mg, 150 mg and 300 mg are the AB-rated generic equivalent of Sanofi Aventis's Avapro® Tablets. Irbesartan is an angiotensin II receptor antagonist and is indicated for the treatment of Hypertension and Nephropathy in Type 2 Diabetic Patients.

Avapro® Tablets had annual U.S sales of approximately USD 400.7 million (IMS MAT Jun 2012 sales).

About Lupin Limited

Headquartered in Mumbai, Lupin is an innovation led transnational pharmaceutical company producing and developing a wide range of branded and generic formulations and APIs. The Company is a significant player in the Cardiovascular, Diabetology, Asthma, Pediatric, CNS, GI, Anti-Infective and NSAID space and holds global leadership positions in the Anti-TB and Cephalosporin segment.

Lupin is the 5th largest and fastest growing generics player in the US (5.1% market share by prescriptions, IMS Health) and the 3rd largest Indian pharmaceutical company by sales. The Company is also the fastest growing top 10 generic pharmaceutical players in Japan and South Africa (IMS).

For the financial year ended March 2012, Lupin's Consolidated Total Income and Profit after Tax were Rs. 70,972 million (USD 1.49 billion) and Rs. 8,676 million (USD 182 million) respectively. Please visit http://www.lupinworld.com for more information.

Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is the wholly owned U.S. subsidiary of Lupin Limited. Headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is dedicated to delivering high-quality, affordable generic medicines and branded formulations trusted by healthcare professionals and patients across geographies. For more information, visit http://www.lupinpharmaceuticals.com.

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