

# Cellectis and Lonza Enter cGMP Manufacturing Service Agreement for Cellectis' Allogeneic UCART Product Candidates

- Agreement covers manufacturing of clinical supply for Cellectis' UCART pipeline
- Manufacturing to take place at Lonza's GMP site in Geleen, Netherlands

**Basel, Switzerland and New York, October 1, 2019** – Cellectis (Euronext Growth: ALCLS – Nasdaq: CLLS), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing immunotherapies based on allogeneic gene-edited CAR T-cells (UCART), and Lonza (SWX: LONN), announced today that the companies have entered into a manufacturing service agreement covering clinical manufacturing of Cellectis' allogeneic UCART product candidates targeting hematological malignancies. Lonza is in charge of implementing Cellectis' manufacturing processes as per current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) in a way that meets the highest quality and safety standards outlined by the FDA. The manufacturing will take place at Lonza's GMP facility in Geleen, Netherlands.

# William Monteith, Executive Vice President, Technical Operations, Cellectis:

"Working with Lonza, a world-class solutions provider with deep experience in the biotech and pharma industries increases our global capabilities and allows Cellectis to further strengthen its manufacturing expertise. This agreement not only bolsters our product supply for clinical trials, but it ensures that we are producing first-rate product candidates so that we can potentially deliver new hope to patients living with certain blood cancers."

# Alberto Santagostino, Senior Vice President, Head of Cell & Gene Technologies, Lonza:

"Early-stage innovators with great science, like Cellectis, can find an ideal partner in Lonza as we bring great value in technical development and manufacturing, industrializing processes and enabling the journey to commercialization. We will draw on the experience at our cell and gene therapy center of excellence in the Netherlands, ideally equipped to support Cellectis in bringing their promising pipeline of allogeneic CAR-T therapies to people around the world in need of life-saving products."

Lonza's supply will complement Cellectis' ongoing collaboration and in-house manufacturing sites, IMPACT and SMART, which are currently under construction.

The manufacturing process of Cellectis' allogeneic CAR T-cell product line, Universal CARTs or UCARTs, yields frozen, off-the-shelf, non-alloreactive engineered CAR T-cells. UCARTs are

intended to be readily available CAR T-cells for a large patient population. Their production is industrialized with defined pharmaceutical release criteria.

## About Lonza

Lonza is an integrated solutions provider that creates value along the Healthcare Continuum<sup>®</sup>. Through our Pharma Biotech & Nutrition segment and our Specialty Ingredients segment businesses, we harness science and technology to serve markets along this continuum. We focus on creating a healthy environment, promoting a healthier lifestyle and preventing illness through consumers' preventive healthcare, as well as improving patient healthcare by supporting our customers to deliver innovative medicines that help treat or even cure severe diseases.

Patients and consumers benefit from our ability to transfer our pharma know-how to the healthcare, hygiene and fast-moving consumer goods environment and to the preservation and protection of the world where we live.

Founded in 1897 in the Swiss Alps, Lonza today is a well-respected global company with more than 100 sites and offices and approximately 15,500 full-time employees worldwide at the end of 2018. The company generated sales of CHF 5.5 billion in 2018 with a CORE EBITDA of CHF 1.5 billion. Further information can be found at <u>www.lonza.com</u>.

## **About Cellectis**

Cellectis is developing the first of its kind allogeneic approach for CAR-T immunotherapies in oncology, pioneering the concept of off-the-shelf and ready-to-use gene-edited CAR T-cells to treat cancer patients. As a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with over 19 years of expertise in gene editing, Cellectis is developing life-changing product candidates utilizing TALEN®, its proprietary gene editing technology, and PulseAgile, its pioneering electroporation system to harness the power of the immune system in order to target and eradicate cancer cells.

As part of its commitment to a cure, Cellectis remains dedicated to its goal of providing lifesaving UCART product candidates to address unmet needs for multiple cancers including acute myeloid leukemia (AML), B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL), multiple myeloma (MM), Hodgkin lymphoma (HL) and non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL).

Cellectis headquarters are in Paris, France, with additional locations in New York and Raleigh, North Carolina. Cellectis is listed on the Nasdaq Global Market (ticker: CLLS) and on Euronext Growth (ticker: ALCLS). For more information, visit www.cellectis.com.

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