

# **Press Release**

# Nicox Updates on ZERVIATE<sup>™</sup> Progress in China and Expands the Countries of its Agreement with Ocumension Therapeutics

- Ocumension's ZERVIATE<sup>™</sup> exclusive rights expanded to include South Eastern Asian countries
- Ocumension preparing to file an IND with the Chinese CDE (Center for Drug Evaluation) for a clinical study expected to start in Q4 2020

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Nicox SA (Euronext Paris: FR0013018124, COX), an international ophthalmology company, today announced that it has amended its March 2019 license agreement with **Ocumension Therapeutics** granting Ocumension exclusive rights to develop and commercialize ZERVIATE<sup>™</sup> (cetirizine ophthalmic solution), 0.24% for the treatment of allergic conjunctivitis in the Chinese market. Under the amended agreement, Ocumension now also has exclusive rights of ZERVIATE in the majority of South East Asian Region.

"In addition to the expansion of our deal with Ocumension on NCX 470, also announced today, we have decided to broaden our relationship on ZERVIATE, adding this important emerging area of Asian markets to the original license," said Gavin Spencer, Chief Business Officer of Nicox. "Ocumension has commenced construction of a new manufacturing site in China which will ultimately be able to manufacture ZERVIATE and therefore be well-placed to supply these additional territories."

"The development teams at Ocumension and Nicox have been working together to prepare the Chinese IND. We expect to file this shortly and be in a position to start a Phase 3 clinical trial for approval in China by Q4 2020," said Ye Liu, Chief Executive Officer of Ocumension.

# **Amendment Agreement Terms**

Ocumension has exclusive rights in the original and expanded territories to develop and commercialize ZERVIATE for the treatment of allergic conjunctivitis. Other terms of the original agreement remain unchanged and Nicox may potentially receive development and sales milestones of up €17 million together with tiered royalties of between 5% and 9% on sales of ZERVIATE.

## About Nicox

Nicox S.A. is an international ophthalmology company developing innovative solutions to help maintain vision and improve ocular health. By leveraging our proprietary expertise in nitric oxide (NO) donation and other technologies, we are developing an extensive portfolio of novel product candidates that target multiple ophthalmic conditions, including glaucoma. Our portfolio has three programs in development including NCX 470, a novel, second-generation NO-donating bimatoprost analog, for intraocular pressure lowering, based on our proprietary NO-donating research platform and NCX 4251, a proprietary formulation of the well-established molecule fluticasone, for acute exacerbations of blepharitis. Our research activities are focused on novel future generation NO-donors including NO-donating phosphodiesterase-5 (PDE5) inhibitors and NO-donating soluble guanylate cyclase (sGC) stimulators (in partnership with Cyclerion). In addition, we have two ophthalmology assets that have been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA); VYZULTA® (latanoprostene bunod ophthalmic solution), 0.024%, exclusively licensed in the U.S. by Bausch + Lomb, a Bausch Health Companies Inc. company, and commercialized in the U.S. by Bausch + Lomb since December 2017, as well as ZERVIATE™ (cetirizine ophthalmic solution), 0.24%, exclusively licensed in the U.S. to Eyevance Pharmaceuticals, LLC.



Nicox is headquartered in Sophia Antipolis, France, is listed on Euronext Paris (Compartment B: Mid Caps; Ticker symbol: COX) and is part of the CAC Healthcare, CAC Pharma & Bio and Next 150 indexes.

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#### **About Ocumension Therapeutics**

Ocumension is a China-based company with a mission of being a pioneer in Ophthalmology. It develops and provides prescription medicines that meet the evolving needs of patients, healthcare professionals, and caregivers. With its experienced group, Ocumension's capabilities span from research and development to clinical trial execution to marketing and sales of in-licensed and wholly owned products. Aiming to help more patients, Ocumension is building its portfolio of new medications and technologies through internal research & development and strategic alliances with global partnerships.

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