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AstraZeneca PLC
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ASTRAZENECA COMPLETES GLOBAL LICENCING AGREEMENT WITH LEO PHARMA FOR TRALOKINUMAB

AstraZeneca today announced that it has completed the licensing agreement with LEO Pharma A/S (LEO Pharma), a specialist in dermatology care, for the global licence to tralokinumab in skin diseases. Tralokinumab is an IL-13 monoclonal antibody that has completed a Phase IIb trial for the treatment of patients with atopic dermatitis, an inflammatory skin disease resulting in itchy, red, swollen and cracked skin.

Upon completion of the agreement, LEO Pharma made a payment to AstraZeneca of \$115 million for the exclusive, global rights to tralokinumab in atopic dermatitis and any future additional dermatology indications. As AstraZeneca will retain a significant ongoing interest in tralokinumab, the upfront payment, along with all future commercial milestone and royalty payments, will be reported as Externalisation Revenue in the Company's financial statements.

About AstraZeneca

AstraZeneca is a global, science-led biopharmaceutical company that focuses on the discovery, development and commercialisation of prescription medicines, primarily for the treatment of diseases in three therapy areas - Respiratory and Autoimmunity, Cardiovascular and Metabolic Diseases, and Oncology. The Company is also active in inflammation, infection and neuroscience through numerous collaborations. AstraZeneca operates in over 100 countries and its innovative medicines are used by millions of patients worldwide. For more information please visit: www.astrazeneca.com

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AstraZeneca PLC

Date: 16 August 2016

By: /s/ Adrian Kemp Name: Adrian Kemp Title: Company Secretary