

TiGenix obtains manufacturing license for European production facility

Leuven (BELGIUM) – April 24, 2012 – TiGenix (NYSE Euronext: TIG) announced today that further to the cGMP inspection by the Dutch authorities it has obtained the manufacturing authorization for human medicinal products for its European manufacturing plant in Sittard-Geleen in the Netherlands.

“I’d like to commend our manufacturing team responsible for building and validating our production plant in record time and passing the inspection of the Dutch regulatory authorities with flying colors,” said Eduardo Bravo, CEO of TiGenix. “Our state-of-the-art manufacturing site is unique in Europe as it is 100% geared towards the production of innovative cell therapy products. It provides us with crucial manufacturing capabilities to support the anticipated growth in demand for ChondroCelect for cartilage repair, and has sufficient capacity for the production of our advanced stem cell therapy products.”

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About TiGenix

TiGenix NV (NYSE Euronext Brussels: TIG) is a leading European cell therapy company with a marketed product for cartilage repair, ChondroCelect[®], and a strong pipeline with clinical stage allogeneic adult stem cell programs for the treatment of autoimmune and inflammatory diseases. TiGenix is based out of Leuven (Belgium) and has operations in Madrid (Spain), and Sittard-Geleen (the Netherlands). For more information please visit www.tigenix.com.

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