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Eisai Co., Ltd.

**EISAI ENTERS INTO U.S. LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH
HELSINN HEALTHCARE S.A. FOR NEW COMBINATION ANTIEMETIC AGENT**

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1) receptor antagonist, and palonosetron (generic name, brand name: Aloxi®), a serotonin-3 (5-HT₃) receptor antagonist.

Under the terms of the agreement, Helsinn Healthcare S.A. will be responsible for conducting clinical trials, obtaining regulatory approvals, and holding the New Drug Application in the United States. If approved, the new products will be co-promoted by Eisai Inc. and Helsinn Therapeutics (U.S.) Inc. Additionally, Helsinn's manufacturing affiliate in Ireland, Helsinn Birex Pharmaceuticals Ltd., will be responsible for the manufacture and supply of finished products for clinical and commercial use in the United States. Eisai Inc. will book sales of the products in the United States.

Helsinn Healthcare SA is entering Phase III clinical tria

[Notes to editors]

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