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Subject Vifor Pharma to license commercialisation rights to Pfizer's proposed biosimilar, Retacrit™, in the field of nephrology in the US

### **Vifor Pharma expands ESA product portfolio with rights to commercialise Pfizer's proposed epoetin alfa biosimilar, Retacrit™, in the US dialysis market**

**Vifor Pharma, a company of the Galenica group, has further expanded its Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agent (ESA) portfolio with the licensing of commercialisation rights in the US dialysis market to Pfizer's Retacrit™, a proposed biosimilar epoetin, in the field of nephrology.**

Hospira, a Pfizer company, (NYSE: PFE) submitted a Biologics License Application (BLA) to the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for Retacrit™ in December 2014. Retacrit™ is under review for the treatment of anaemia associated with chronic kidney disease (CKD), renal failure as well as chemotherapy-induced anaemia. With access to Retacrit™, once approved, Vifor Pharma will be positioned to also offer a short-acting ESA to the US dialysis market.

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