

Transparency information

Mechelen, Belgium; 19 February 2010 – Galapagos NV (Euronext: GLPG) announced that it has received a transparency notification from Gestion Deelnemingen V BV pursuant to the Belgian transparency legislation (Belgian Act of 2 May 2007) concerning major holdings in Belgian listed companies.

Galapagos has 23,610,820 shares outstanding. On 18 February 2010, Galapagos received notification that Gestion Deelnemingen V BV increased their shareholding to 1,184,602 shares (5.02% of total shares outstanding) as of 10 February 2010.

More information about major shareholders in Galapagos can be found at:
www.glpj.com/investor/major_shareholders.htm

About Galapagos

Galapagos (Euronext: GLPG; OTC: GLPYY) is a mid-size biotechnology company specialized in the discovery and development of small molecule and antibody therapies with novel modes-of-action. The Company is progressing one of the largest pipelines in biotech, with four clinical and over 40 small molecule discovery/pre-clinical programs. Through risk/reward-sharing alliances with GlaxoSmithKline, Eli Lilly, Janssen Pharmaceutica, Merck & Co. and Roche, Galapagos is eligible to receive up to €3 billion in downstream milestones, plus royalties. Together with the service operations of BioFocus and Argenta, Galapagos now has more than 640 employees and operates facilities in six countries, with global headquarters in Mechelen, Belgium. More info at: www.glpj.com

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