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## **SOLVAY PHARMACEUTICALS S.A. ACKNOWLEDGES DECISION OF WYETH PHARMACEUTICALS TO TERMINATE THE COLLABORATION AGREEMENT ON BIFEPRUNOX**

### *Solvay Pharmaceuticals will evaluate all options for the future of the compound*

Solvay Pharmaceuticals acknowledges Wyeth Pharmaceuticals' announcement earlier today to terminate the collaboration agreement on bifeprunox and two early stage compounds (SLV313 and SLV314). The agreement signed in 2004 allowed for the co-development and co-commercialization of the three compounds.

“Solvay of course respects Wyeth's decision. This successful collaboration brought the compounds to their current stage of development” said Dr Claus Steinborn, Executive Vice President Global R&D of Solvay Pharmaceuticals. “We will add the compounds again to Solvay's portfolio and analyze all options.”

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