# Aptorum Group Enters into an Agreement with Exeltis to Develop Aptorum's Novel Preclinical Candidate Targeting Woman's Gynecological Conditions

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Aptorum Group Limited (Nasdaq: APM, Euronext Paris: APM) ("Aptorum Group" or "Aptorum"), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company, has entered into an agreement with Exeltis ("Exeltis") (a division of the global pharmaceutical group Insud Pharma) to develop, manufacture and commercialize a novel preclinical candidate from Aptorum in the following territories: the European Union and Latin America (with an option to expand the collaboration to the United States). This novel candidate is intended to target woman's health and gynecological conditions, such as endometriosis or related conditions. Under the Agreement, Aptorum Group will retain the development rights in other jurisdictions in the world, as well as the right to develop the novel candidate into a drug product. Commercialisation of the product is subject to relevant regulatory approvals in their respective jurisdictions.

Dr. Clark Cheng, Chief Medical Officer and Executive Director of Aptorum Group, commented: "Endometriosis is a systemic gynecological condition that is often painful and chronic, estimated to affect approximately 10% of reproductive-age women<sup>1</sup>. Symptoms of endometriosis include, but are not limited to chronic pain and in extreme cases infertility, thereby placing significant physical, emotional and economical impact on the patients. Currently, the mainstay of treatment includes surgery and/or hormonal treatment with oral contraceptives, neither of which are ideal, especially for reproductive aged women suffering such disease<sup>2</sup>. We believe that the candidate's non-hormonal approach has the potential to address such unmet needs and we are excited to partner with Exeltis to develop this product to provide patients with a viable alternative."

#### **About Exeltis**

Exeltis is a fast-growing division of the integrated health sciences group Insud Pharma. It boasts a leadership position in the Women's Health segment, and is constantly innovating and seeking new treatments and devices to improve women's health and wellbeing around the world. With a global footprint spanning over 40 countries, Exeltis has a team of more than 4,000 professionals supported by a global manufacturing network. Exeltis' overarching goal is to support and care for women throughout every stage of life. It offers an extensive portfolio of products to respond to women's needs in the areas of fertility, reproductive health, contraception, pregnancy, childbirth and menopause. In recent years, Exeltis has also diversified into Central Nervous System (CNS), Ophthalmology and Endocrinology.

### **About Aptorum Group**

Aptorum Group Limited (Nasdaq: APM, Euronext Paris: APM) is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development and commercialization of therapeutic assets to treat diseases with unmet medical needs, particularly in oncology (including orphan oncology indications) and infectious diseases. The pipeline of Aptorum is also enriched through (i) the establishment of drug discovery platforms that enable the discovery of new therapeutics assets through, e.g. systematic screening of existing approved drug molecules, and microbiome-based research platform for treatments of metabolic diseases; and (ii) the co-development of a novel molecular-based rapid pathogen identification and detection diagnostics technology with Accelerate Technologies Pte Ltd, commercialization arm of the Singapore's Agency for Science, Technology and Research.

For more information about Aptorum Group, please visit www.aptorumgroup.com.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0002937819303850

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/endometriosis/treatment/