

## Cerep grants a BioPrint® evaluation licence to Roche

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Cerep [NYSE Euronext - CER] today announces the signature of a strategic collaboration with Roche on BioPrint®, the company's homogenous pharmacology and ADME database, which provides a unique resource for supporting decision making in drug discovery. The BioPrint® database is composed of three main data sets: chemical descriptors (structures and chemical information, 2D and 3D descriptors), in vitro profiles and in vivo effects of tested compound.

Under the terms of the agreement, Roche will be granted access to the BioPrint® database and related pharmaco-informatics tools. In addition, Cerep will generate new BioPrint® data on Roche compounds for Roche's exclusive use.

Roche and Cerep will also collaborate on further development of BioPrint® and related pharmaco-informatics tools aimed at predicting as early as possible adverse drug reactions which could lead to failure during clinical trials.

An initial licence is granted for a maximum term of two years to evaluate the integration of BioPrint® within Roche research strategy. During this evaluation phase, a limited number of users will be given a web access to BioPrint® data and tools. At the end of this period, Roche will have the option to subscribe a perpetual licence at a pre determined price.

Cerep will receive an annual license fee and payments for the generation of new BioPrint® data.

"We are very happy to announce a new collaboration on BioPrint®. This agreement with Roche will certainly allow us to further enhance and accelerate the development and validation of predictive tools, especially in the field of adverse clinical effects of drug-candidates" commented Thierry Jean, President & CEO of Cerep.

### ■ About BioPrint®

Based on a unique database and on proprietary informatics tools, BioPrint® places a new drug candidate in the context of marketed drugs, anticipating potential *in vivo* liabilities, predicting off-target activities, and ADME characteristics (Drug profile interpretation).

In another application, BioPrint® serves to identify secondary targets that are not genetically parented to a test target (Target profile design).

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