



OCTOPLUS ENTERS INTO DRUG DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING CONTRACT WITH FERRING PHARMACEUTICALS A/S

Leiden, the Netherlands, 2 February 2012 – OctoPlus N.V. (“OctoPlus” or the “Company”) (Euronext: OCTO), announces today that a formulation development and manufacturing contract has been signed with Ferring Pharmaceuticals A/S, a leading innovative pharmaceutical company. The undisclosed contract value will make a material contribution to OctoPlus’ 2012 revenues. Further details on the compound and activities are not disclosed.

At OctoPlus we provide formulation development and clinical material manufacturing services to biotech and pharmaceutical companies worldwide. In addition to our expertise in formulation and manufacturing, we offer our clients drug delivery technologies for the development of controlled release versions of existing or new drugs.

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About OctoPlus

OctoPlus is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development and manufacture of improved injectable pharmaceuticals based on our proprietary drug delivery technologies that exhibit fewer side effects, improved patient convenience and a better efficacy/safety balance than existing therapies. OctoPlus also focuses on the development of long-acting, controlled release versions of known protein therapeutics, peptides and small molecules, including specialty generics.

The clinically most advanced product incorporating our technology is Locteron[®], a controlled release formulation of interferon alpha for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C. OctoPlus licensed Locteron exclusively to Biolex in October 2008. Locteron is being manufactured for Biolex by OctoPlus and has recently completed Phase IIb clinical studies with superior clinical data versus current treatment.

In addition, OctoPlus is a leading European provider of advanced drug formulation and clinical scale manufacturing services to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, with a focus on difficult-to-formulate active pharmaceutical ingredients.

OctoPlus is listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext under the symbol OCTO. For more information about OctoPlus, please visit our website www.octoplus.nl.

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