

Brussels, September 2018

Invitation to attend the conference “Conversations on Science, Regulation and Society - the Future of Genome Editing in European healthcare systems”, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Brussels, Belgium

Dear Sir / Madam,

On behalf of the Alliance for Regenerative Medicine (ARM) and Intellia Therapeutics, under the auspices of Mrs. Teresa Gimenez Barbat, Member of the European Parliament, we would like to cordially invite you to attend the roundtable discussion on “**Conversations on Science, Regulation, and Society - the Future of Genome Editing in European healthcare systems**”. The event will take place on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018** between **5:00pm to 7:30pm** in the European Parliament (Brussels, Belgium).

Genome editing represents a highly anticipated transformation in the treatment of severe and life-threatening diseases for patients previously left without any therapeutic recourse. The conference will be addressed by patients, academics, industrialists, and policy-makers including representatives from the **European Commission** and the **Vatican’s Pontifical Council for Culture**. This will be a unique opportunity to engage in an open and multi-stakeholder discussion on the evolving role of advanced therapy medicinal products (ATMPs) and the future of genome editing technologies in the European Union.

The fast emergence of ATMPs may lead to important challenges that need to be tackled as soon as possible to ensure patients have access to these new remedies as soon as they become available. In that respect, the European Commission and the European Medicines Agency have set up an Action Plan (2014 – 2020) to overcome these hurdles and ensure that the regulatory framework supports — and not hinders — the development of ATMPs.

We would be honoured if you would accept this invitation to attend our conference. We believe that your participation would bring a valuable contribution, especially during the Q&A sessions. Enclosed please find a **draft programme** of the event.

The deadline to register is **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October**, however, due to the limited availability of seats, early registration is strongly recommended. Please note that this is an invitation only event. The registration form can be accessed [here](#).

Should you have any questions or require further information, please send an email to [genome-conference18@hanovercomms.com](mailto:genome-conference18@hanovercomms.com).

Thank you very much for your kind consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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