



## RedHill Biopharma Strengthens Partnership with Cosmo Pharmaceuticals with Manufacturing Agreements for Movantik and RHB-204

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**The agreements secure high-quality manufacturing capacity of Movantik® for opioid-induced constipation and RHB-204, currently in a Phase 3 study for pulmonary NTM disease**

**Follows recent agreement with Cosmo for expansion of opaganib manufacturing capacity for COVID-19**

TEL AVIV, Israel and RALEIGH, N.C., Feb. 18, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- [RedHill Biopharma Ltd.](#) (Nasdaq: RDHL) ("RedHill" or the "Company"), a specialty biopharmaceutical company, today announced agreements with Cosmo Pharmaceuticals NV (SIX: COPN) ("Cosmo") to manufacture two key products; RedHill's largest selling product in the U.S., Movantik®, and RHB-204, currently in a Phase 3 U.S. study as a stand-alone, first-line orally-administered treatment for pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM) disease.



"Movantik is currently our biggest commercial product. This agreement strengthens our qualified supply base and capacity moving forward and solidifies our ongoing strategic relationship with Cosmo," said **Steven Thomasian, RedHill's Vice President of Supply Chain Management.**

"We are happy to strengthen our partnership with RedHill with the manufacturing of these two important products and therefore to further expand Cosmo's production capacities and capabilities," said **Davide Malvasi, Cosmo's Head of Manufacturing.**

Movantik is the leading prescribed oral peripherally acting mu-opioid receptor antagonist (PAMORA) in the U.S. specifically designed to treat opioid-induced constipation (OIC) in adult patients with chronic non-cancer pain[1]. OIC is the most common and debilitating gastrointestinal adverse effect associated with opioid therapy, estimated to affect between 40-80% of the millions of patients taking chronic opioid therapy each year[2].

RHB-204 is an investigational proprietary, fixed-dose oral capsule containing a combination of clarithromycin, rifabutin, and clofazimine, developed as a stand-alone first-line treatment for pulmonary NTM disease caused by *Mycobacterium avium* Complex (MAC). Although rare, the incidence and prevalence of pulmonary NTM disease are increasing in many areas of the world[3]. There were an estimated 110,000 pulmonary NTM disease patients in the U.S. in 2017, with U.S. market potential estimated at over \$500 million[4]. RHB-204 has received FDA Fast Track, Orphan Drug and QIDP designations aimed at accelerating development and FDA review and extending U.S. market exclusivity to a potential total of 12 years, to be granted at the time of FDA approval.

### About RedHill Biopharma

RedHill Biopharma Ltd. (Nasdaq: [RDHL](#)) is a specialty biopharmaceutical company primarily focused on gastrointestinal and infectious diseases. RedHill promotes the gastrointestinal drugs, **Movantik®** for opioid-induced constipation in adults<sup>[5]</sup>, **Talicia®** for the treatment of *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*) infection in adults<sup>[6]</sup>, and **Aemcolo®** for the treatment of travelers' diarrhea in adults<sup>[7]</sup>. RedHill's key clinical late-stage development programs include: (i) **RHB-204**, with an ongoing Phase 3 study for pulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM) disease; (ii) **opaganib (Yeliva®)**, a first-in-class SK2 selective inhibitor targeting multiple indications with a Phase 2/3 program for COVID-19 and Phase 2 studies for prostate cancer and cholangiocarcinoma ongoing; (iii) **RHB-107 (upamostat)**, a serine protease inhibitor in a U.S. Phase 2/3 study for symptomatic COVID-19, and targeting multiple other cancer and inflammatory gastrointestinal diseases; (iv) **RHB-104**, with positive results from a first Phase 3 study for Crohn's disease; (v) **RHB-102 (Bekinda®)**, with positive results from a Phase 3 study for acute gastroenteritis and gastritis and positive results from a Phase 2 study for IBS-D; and (vi) **RHB-106**, an encapsulated bowel preparation. More information about the Company is available at [www.redhillbio.com/](http://www.redhillbio.com/) <https://twitter.com/RedHillBio>.

### About Cosmo Pharmaceuticals

Cosmo is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing products to treat selected gastrointestinal disorders and improve endoscopy quality measures through aiding the detection of colonic lesions. Cosmo has also developed medical devices for endoscopy and has recently entered into a partnership with Medtronic for the global distribution of GI Genius™ its artificial intelligence device for use in colonoscopies and GI procedures. Cosmo has licensed Aemcolo® to RedHill Biopharma for the US and has licensed Relafalk® to Dr. Falk GmbH for the EU and other countries. For additional information on Cosmo and its products please visit the Company's website: [www.cosmopharma.com](http://www.cosmopharma.com)

### Important Safety Information About Movantik

Movantik® (naloxegol) is contraindicated in:

- Patients with known or suspected gastrointestinal (GI) obstruction and patients at risk of recurrent obstruction, due to the potential for GI perforation.
- Patients receiving strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (eg, clarithromycin, ketoconazole) because these medications can significantly increase exposure to naloxegol which may precipitate opioid withdrawal symptoms.
- Patients with a known serious or severe hypersensitivity reaction to Movantik or any of its excipients.

Symptoms consistent with opioid withdrawal, including hyperhidrosis, chills, diarrhea, abdominal pain, anxiety, irritability, and yawning, occurred in patients treated with Movantik. Patients receiving methadone as therapy for their pain condition were observed in the clinical trials to have a higher frequency of GI adverse reactions that may have been related to opioid withdrawal than patients receiving other opioids. Patients with disruptions to the blood-brain barrier may be at increased risk for opioid withdrawal or reduced analgesia. These patients (eg, multiple sclerosis, recent brain injury, Alzheimer's disease, and uncontrolled epilepsy) were not enrolled in the clinical studies. Take into account the overall risk-benefit profile when using Movantik in such patients. Monitor for symptoms of opioid withdrawal when using Movantik in such patients.

Severe abdominal pain and/or diarrhea have been reported, generally within a few days of initiation of Movantik. Monitor and discontinue if severe symptoms occur. Consider restarting Movantik at 12.5 mg once daily.

Cases of GI perforation have been reported with the use of peripherally acting opioid antagonists, including Movantik. Post marketing cases of GI perforation, including fatal cases, were reported when Movantik was used in patients at risk of GI perforation (eg, infiltrative gastrointestinal tract malignancy, recent gastrointestinal tract surgery, diverticular disease including diverticulitis, ischemic colitis, or concomitantly treated with bevacizumab). Monitor for severe, persistent, or worsening abdominal pain; discontinue if this symptom develops.

The most common adverse reactions with Movantik as compared to placebo in clinical trials were: Abdominal pain (21% vs 7%), diarrhea (9% vs 5%), nausea (8% vs 5%), flatulence (6% vs 3%), vomiting (5% vs 4%), headache (4% vs 3%), and hyperhidrosis (3% vs <1%).

Movantik® (naloxegol) is indicated for the treatment of opioid-induced constipation (OIC) in adult patients with chronic non-cancer pain, including patients with chronic pain related to prior cancer or its treatment who do not require frequent (e.g. weekly) opioid dosage escalation.

Click here for the [Medication Guide](#) and full [Prescribing Information](#) for Movantik.

You are encouraged to report Adverse Reactions to RedHill Biopharma Inc. at 1-833-ADRHILL (1-833-237-4455) or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

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[5] Full prescribing information for Movantik® (naloxegol) is available at: [www.Movantik.com](http://www.Movantik.com).

[6] Full prescribing information for Talicia® (omeprazole magnesium, amoxicillin and rifabutin) is available at: [www.Talicia.com](http://www.Talicia.com).

[7] Full prescribing information for Aemcolo® (rifamycin) is available at: [www.Aemcolo.com](http://www.Aemcolo.com).

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