

Latest Central Jersey pharmaceutical, biotech news

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The latest developments from Central Jersey-based Ipsen Biopharmaceuticals, Sanofi, Celgene and Advaxis.



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Here is a look at the latest developments of Central Jersey's pharmaceutical and biotech industries:

- Based in the Basking Ridge section of Bernards, Ipsen Biopharmaceuticals recently was honored by the California Product Stewardship Council as the winner of the 2015 Green Arrow Award for System & Design Innovations after the launch of its Safe'n'Sound technology. The innovative system delivers Somatuline Depot (lanreotide) injections, while reducing waste and toxins. The award was presented to Ipsen CEO Cynthia Schwalm at the California Resource Recovery Association's 39th annual conference and trade show earlier this month. Info: www.ipsen.com (<http://www.ipsen.com/>), www.CalPSC.org (<http://www.calpsc.org/>)

- Evotec AG and Sanofi recently announced a strategic collaboration in the field of diabetes. The goal will be to develop a beta cell replacement therapy based on functional human beta cells derived from human stem cells. Sanofi and Evotec also will use human beta cells for drug screening to identify beta cell active small molecules or biologics. Both companies will make significant contributions to this collaboration in terms of expertise, platforms and resources. The collaboration will further enhance and complement Sanofi's extensive diabetes portfolio and will extend Evotec's metabolic disease and stem cell-based drug discovery programs. Sanofi's U.S. headquarters are in Bridgewater. Evotec AG is a German company. Info: <http://www.sanofi.us//us/en/index.jsp> (<http://www.sanofi.us//us/en/index.jsp>), www.evotec.com (<http://www.evotec.com/>)

- Summit-based Celgene Corp. has exercised its option under the 2009 Collaboration and Option Agreement to exclusively license GI-6207, a Tarmogen product candidate targeting cancers that express carcinoembryonic antigen. GI-6207 is the second Tarmogen product candidate licensed by Celgene Corp. under the collaboration. Under the terms of the agreement, Globelimmune of Colorado will receive an option exercise payment of \$1.9 million, and is eligible for regulatory and sales milestones, as well as royalties on product sales in exchange for a worldwide license. GI-6207 is being evaluated in a Phase 2 clinical trial at the National Cancer Institute to determine GI-6207 in subjects with medullary thyroid cancer. Info: <https://www.celgene.com> (<https://www.celgene.com/>), www.globeimmune.com (<http://www.globeimmune.com/>)

- Advaxis, a clinical-stage biotechnology company based in Princeton, has appointed Tom Ridge, the first secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and a former Pennsylvania governor, to its board of directors. Ridge is the CEO of Ridge Global, a security risk evaluation firm with an emphasis on cyber resilience. He is a recipient of the Biotechnology Industry Organization's Outstanding Governor of the Year Award in recognition of his leadership in making Pennsylvania a biotech destination for employers.

Advaxis is developing multiple cancer immunotherapies based on proprietary Lm Technology that uses bioengineered live *Listeria monocytogenes* bacteria to generate cancer-fighting T-cells and neutralize suppressor cells. The company recently announced two research projects involving Lm Technology used against prostate cancer have been selected as 2015 Movember Foundation-PCF Challenge Awards. Sponsored by the Movember Foundation and the Prostate Cancer Foundation, the awards each include \$1 million grants. Info: www.advaxis.com (<http://www.advaxis.com/>)

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