Press release



GenSight Biologics announces successful IPO on Euronext Paris

- €40 million raised on Euronext Paris, which may be increased to c. €46m if the over-allotment option is fully exercised
- Largest French biotech IPO YTD
- Offering price of €8.00 per share

Paris, 12 July 2016 – GenSight Biologics (Euronext: SIGHT, FR0013183985, PEA-PME eligible), a biopharma company that discovers and develops innovative gene therapies for neurodegenerative retinal diseases and diseases of the central nervous system, today announced the success of its initial public offering on compartment B of the Euronext regulated market in Paris ("**Euronext Paris**"), raising €40.0m by means of a capital increase, which may be increased to c. €45.9m if the over-allotment option is fully exercised.

The order book is built around leading, long-term specialist, French and international, institutional investors.

"We are very pleased to announce today the success of our initial public offering on Euronext Paris, which constitutes a key milestone in the company's development." states Bernard Gilly, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of GenSight Biologics. "This success is a strong indication of the international recognition of the company and the ongoing development of our drug candidates for the treatment of patients affected with serious neurodegenerative diseases that lead to blindness. It is even more rewarding that we have strengthened our capital structure with leading institutional investors from the United States and Europe, in a difficult stock market environment. I would like to take this opportunity to warmly thank our existing and new shareholders, partners and employees for their support and contribution to this major success."

The price of the open price offer and the global placement is $\in 8.00$ per share. 5,737,937 new shares will be issued in the context of the offer to the public and the global placement, allowing for a capital increase of $\notin 40.0$ m.

GenSight Biologics has granted Oddo & Cie, acting on behalf of the Global Coordinator and Joint Bookrunners, an over-allotment option that can be exercised from today until 11 August 2016 inclusive, for up to a maximum of 737,937 additional new shares, equal to approximately €5.9m.

The subscription commitments of several shareholders and Bpifrance Participations as mentioned in the securities note have been fulfilled.

Shares offered in the context of the global offering will be allocated as follows:

• Global placement: 5,632,398 shares allocated to institutional investors (representing €45.1m or 98.2% of the total number of shares allocated);

- Open price offer: 105,539 shares allocated to the public (representing €0.8m or 1.8% of the total number of shares allocated);
- Within the framework of the OPO, 100% of A1 orders and 100% of A2 orders will be filled.

On the basis of a total of 5,737,937 shares to be admitted to trading and a price per share of \in 8.00, GenSight Biologics' market capitalisation will be approximately \in 148.9m following the transaction excluding potential exercise of the over-allotment option and around \in 154.8m in case of exercise of the over-allotment option.

GenSight Biologics' free float will stand at around 20% of share capital and may be increased to around 23% of its share capital if the over-allotment option is exercised in full.

Trading on compartment B of Euronext Paris will begin at 9.00 a.m. on 13 July 2016 in the form whenissued shares on a single listing line entitled "SIGHT – Promesses" and will be subject to delivery of the custodian's certificate relating to the issuing of the new shares.

Settlement-delivery of the shares issued in respect of the open price offer and global placement will take place on 14 July 2016. The shares will be traded on Euronext Paris under ISIN code **FR0013183985** and ticker **SIGHT** as of 15 July 2016.

Reasons for the GenSight Biologics IPO

- To continue with and further the clinical development of Phase III of GS010 in treatment of Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy (LHON), until the regulatory application for official marketing approval is submitted in Europe and the United States; and
- Initiate clinical development of GS030 by means of a phase I/II clinical trial in treatment of Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP).

Financial intermediaries

Oddo & Cie has acted as Global Coordinator and Joint Bookrunner. Gilbert Dupont has acted as Joint Bookrunner.





Copies of the prospectus

Copies of the prospectus relating to the Offer and the trading of GenSight Biologics shares on the Euronext regulated market in Paris as approved by the AMF on 4 July 2016 under visa number 16-288 are available free of charge on request from GenSight Biologics (74 rue du Faubourg Saint-Antoine, 75012 Paris), as well as on the websites of the company (<u>www.gensight-corp.com</u>) and the AMF (<u>www.amf-france.org</u>).

Risk factors

Investors are invited to take note of the risks relating to the operation described in Chapter 4 "Risk factors" of the registration document ("*Document de base*") (in particular concerning the

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risk factors mentioned in section 4.1 "Risks relating to the Group's products, market and business activity) and chapter 2 "Risk factors relating to the offer" of the summary prospectus ("*Note d'opération*").

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About GenSight Biologics

GenSight Biologics S.A. is a clinical-stage biotechnology company discovering and developing novel therapies for neurodegenerative retinal diseases and diseases of the central nervous system. GenSight Biologics' pipeline leverages two core technology platforms, Mitochondrial Targeting Sequence (MTS) and optogenetics, to help preserve or restore vision in patients suffering from severe degenerative retinal diseases. GenSight Biologics' lead product candidate, GS010, is in Phase III trials in Leber's Hereditary Optic Neuropathy (LHON), a rare mitochondrial disease that leads to irreversible vision loss in teens and young adults. Using its gene therapy-based approach, GenSight Biologics' product candidates are designed to offer patients a sustainable functional visual recovery with a single treatment to each eye through an intravitreal injection.

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The prospectus, comprising (i) the registration document ("*document de base*") registered with the AMF on May 24, 2016 under number 1.16-049 and (ii) the "*note d'opération*" containing a summary of the prospectus, received the visa of the AMF under number 16-288 on July 4, 2016. This Prospectus includes a section describing certain risk factors relating to the company and the offer. The Prospectus will be available on the AMF website: www.amf-france.org and on the Company's website: www.gensight-biologics.com. Investors' attention is drawn to the risk factors listed in the Prospectus.

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