uniQure Appoints Hans Christian Rohde Chief Commercial Officer

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uniQure B.V., a leader in the field of human gene therapy, today announced the appointment of Hans Christian Rohde as Chief Commercial Officer.

Mr. Rohde joins uniQure from Basilea Pharmaceutica (SIX: BSLN) where from 2007 he was Chief Commercial Officer and member of the company's executive management committee with responsibility for global commercial operations, marketing, supply chain, medical affairs, pricing and market access.

"We are very pleased with Hans Christian's appointment," says Jörn Aldag, CEO of uniQure. "With the approval of Glybera we need to rapidly build and expand our commercial organization to enable the successful roll-out of Glybera and provide access to this crucial treatment to as many patients as possible. Hans Christian's experience and successful track-record in major biotechnology companies such as Basilea, Merck-Serono and Biogen Idec provide us with the necessary leadership qualities to successfully commercialize Glybera."

Hans Christian Rohde (M.Sc., MBA) has almost 25 years experience in commercial roles at leading biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. Prior to Basilea Pharmaceutica, Mr. Rohde was Corporate Vice President, Head of Global Therapeutic Areas Reproductive Health and Endocrinology at Merck-Serono from 2003 until 2007. Before this he was responsible for international marketing and global market development at Biogen Idec. From 1992 until 2000, Mr Rohde held positions of increasing commercial responsibility at Novo Nordisk. Mr. Rohde started his career at Laboratoires Syntex.

About uniQure

uniQure [1] is a world leader in the development of human gene based therapies. uniQure's Glybera, a gene therapy for the treatment of lipoprotein lipase deficiency has been approved in the European Union, and is the first approved gene therapy in the Western world. uniQur
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