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Hikma and Celltrion strengthen partnership to expand biosimilar access in MENA

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UK-based Hikma Pharmaceuticals PLC, the multinational pharmaceutical company, and its long-standing partner Celltrion Inc., a South Korea-based biopharmaceutical leader, have signed exclusive licensing agreements across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.

The new agreements will broaden access to cutting-edge and affordable biologics through the introduction of six biosimilar treatments to the region. This also marks a significant advancement in expanding access to biosimilar treatments across key therapeutic areas, including allergic diseases, ophthalmology, skeletal-related disorders, immune diseases and oncology.

By offering high-quality, cost-effective alternatives to complex biologics, Hikma is enabling broader patient access to life-saving and life enhancing therapies that were previously restricted due to high costs or limited availability. Under the agreements, Hikma will hold exclusive commercialisation rights across all MENA markets, while Celltrion will be responsible for the development, manufacturing and supply of the treatments.

With these new agreements, Hikma solidifies its position as a leading provider of biosimilars in the MENA region and takes a pivotal step in its broader biotech strategy to enhance patient outcomes, reduce healthcare system burdens, and transform treatment standards in hospitals across MENA.

Mazen Darwazah, Hikma’s Executive Vice Chairman and President of MENA, said, “The addition of these biosimilars enhances Hikma’s ability to serve hospital channels with a comprehensive portfolio of injectables and biologics, reinforcing its ambition to become the top hospital player in the region.”