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News Release

IFPMA Announces Biogen Idec Inc. as New Member

Geneva, 23 August 2011 – The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations (IFPMA) is pleased to announce that Biogen Idec Inc. has joined the Federation, thus bringing its membership up to 29 leading international companies and 44 national and regional industry associations.

IFPMA Director General Eduardo Pisani said: “We are delighted to welcome Biogen Idec, a pioneering biotech company, to the IFPMA. The company’s focus on finding innovative biotech solutions for patients only strengthens the Association’s credentials as representing the innovator pharmaceutical industry and its unique contribution to tackling global health issues.”

Biogen Idec is a global \$4 billion Fortune 500 company. In addition to its headquarters in Weston, Massachusetts, Biogen Idec has offices in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Japan, China, India and throughout Europe, operating in 29 countries with distribution partners in over 70.

Biogen Idec Inc. discovers, develops, manufactures and markets therapeutic products for the treatment of serious diseases with a focus on neurological disorders.

For further information on Biogen Idec, please go to www.biogenidec.com

About the IFPMA:

The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations is the global non-profit NGO representing the research-based pharmaceutical industry, including the biotech and vaccine sectors. Its members comprise 29 leading international companies and 44 national and regional industry associations covering low, middle and high income countries. The industry's R&D pipeline contains hundreds of new medicines and vaccines being developed to address global disease threats, including cancer, heart disease, HIV/AIDS and malaria. The IFPMA Clinical Trials Portal (www.ifpma.org/ClinicalTrials), the IFPMA's Ethical Promotion online resource (www.ifpma.org/EthicalPromotion/) and its Developing World Health Partnerships Directory (www.ifpma.org/HealthPartnerships) help make the industry's activities more transparent. The IFPMA supports a wide range of WHO technical activities, notably those relating to medicine efficacy, quality and safety. It also provides the secretariat for the International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH).

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