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## **Santhera to Present at the Bio€quity 2014 Conference**

**Liestal, Switzerland, May 15, 2014 – Santhera Pharmaceuticals (SIX: SANN) announced today that Thomas Meier, Chief Executive Officer of Santhera, will present at the upcoming Bio€quity Europe 2014 Conference in Amsterdam on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at 9.00 am. In the context of the recent filing of a Marketing Authorization Application (MAA) in the European Union (EU) for Raxone® in Leber's Hereditary Optic Neuropathy (LHON) and of the positive outcome for Santhera's Phase III trial in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD), Dr. Meier will provide a pipeline overview and regulatory milestone and business outlook.**

Slides will be available after the presentation for download on the Company's website [www.santhera.com](http://www.santhera.com) under *Investors/Presentations*.

Now celebrating its 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, Bio€quity Europe is the seminal industry event for financial dealmakers looking for investor-validated life science companies positioning themselves to attract capital, and for pharmaceutical licensing professionals to assess top prospects. Bio€quity Europe has showcased more than 600 leading European companies to thousands of investment and pharma business development professionals.

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### **About Santhera**

Santhera Pharmaceuticals (SIX: SANN) is a Swiss specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of innovative pharmaceutical products for the treatment of orphan mitochondrial and neuromuscular diseases.

Santhera recently announced the re-filing of the MAA for LHON based on additional clinical efficacy data and following pre-filing advice from EU member states. The compound has been granted orphan drug designation in the EU and the US. Raxone® would become the first product authorized for the treatment of this rare, inherited disease which otherwise invariably leads to blindness. Santhera expects a decision from the European Medicines Agency in the first half of 2015. Earlier this year, the French National Agency for the Safety of Medicine and Health Products (ANSM)

granted a temporary authorization for use for Raxone® in LHON patients in France based on a data package comparable to the submitted MAA dossier.

On May 13, 2014, Santhera announced a positive outcome for its Phase III DELOS trial in DMD. The DELOS study randomized 65 DMD patients who were 10-18 years of age and who were not using concomitant corticosteroids. The study met the primary endpoint, the difference between Catena®/Raxone® and placebo in the change from baseline to week 52 in Peak Expiratory Flow ( $p=0.04$ ). Peak Expiratory Flow is a measure of respiratory muscle strength, the decline of which is a major contributing factor to morbidity and mortality in DMD. Catena®/Raxone® (900 mg/day) was safe and well tolerated with adverse event rates comparable to placebo.

Santhera is collaborating with the National Institutes of Health on a placebo-controlled Phase II clinical trial for the treatment of primary progressive Multiple Sclerosis (ppMS), a currently untreatable disease affecting approximately 60,000 patients in North America and 85,000 in Europe.

Santhera holds full global patent and/or commercialization rights to all of its clinical development programs for Catena®/Raxone®. For further information, please visit the Company's website [www.santhera.com](http://www.santhera.com).

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