

May 16, 2008

## **Astellas to Support Relief Efforts following China Earthquake**

Japan, May 16, 2008 - Astellas Pharma Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo, President & CEO: Masafumi Nogimori, “Astellas”) today announced that the Astellas will make a donation of 10 million yen to the Japan Red Cross assisting for the relief efforts after the major earthquake that struck China, Sichuan Province.

In addition, Astellas’s Chinese subsidiary, Astellas Pharma China, Inc. will make a donation to China Red Cross through the R&D-based Pharmaceutical Association Committee (RDPAC), and will donate Astellas’s antibiotic agents to stricken areas.

Astellas expresses its deepest sympathy for victims of China Earthquake and sincerely hope for the quick recovery.

#####

Contacts for inquiries or additional information
Astellas Pharma Inc. Corporate Communications Tel: +81-3-3244-3201 Fax: +81-3-5201-7473 <a href="http://www.astellas.com">http://www.astellas.com</a>