

Steve Webber, new Senior Discovery Director for Almirall

Barcelona, 16 April 2009.- Almirall announces the appointment of Steve Webber as Senior Discovery Director, reporting to the Executive Director for R&D, Dr. Per Olof Andersson at the Almirall R&D Centre in Sant Feliu de Llobregat (Barcelona). This appointment further strengthens the research team and is another example of Almirall's commitment to enhancing its R&D area.

Dr. Webber brings to the position extensive experience within the pharmaceutical industry, particularly in respiratory disease.

Steve Webber has a PhD in Pharmacology from the University College London and post-doctoral training at St George's Hospital Medical School in London. In 1992 he started his pharmaceutical industry career at Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (RPR), holding a variety of positions of responsibility in the R&D area and progressing to become Vice President of Respiratory and Rheumatologic Diseases at RPR/Aventis. Before joining Almirall he was Vice President of Respiratory Biology for the Respiratory and Inflammation Centre of Excellence for Drug Discovery at GlaxoSmithKline.

About Almirall

Almirall, an international pharmaceutical company based on innovation and committed to health, headquartered in Barcelona, Spain, researches, develops, manufactures and commercialises its own R&D and licensed drugs with the aim of improving people's health and wellbeing.

The therapeutic areas on which Almirall focuses its research resources are related to the treatment of asthma, COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease), rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, psoriasis and dermatology.

Almirall is currently present in over 70 countries with direct presence in Europe and Latin America through 11 affiliates.

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