

PRESS RELEASE

Crucell publishes First Quarter 2003 Results

Leiden, April 14, 2003 – Dutch biotechnology company Crucell N.V. (Euronext, NASDAQ: CRXL) today announces its financial results for the first quarter of 2003. Crucell's revenues for the first quarter were € 2.1 million (US \$ 2.3 million) compared to €2.2 million (US \$ 2.3 million) for the same quarter in 2002. The net loss for the first quarter 2003 decreased to €3.6 million (US \$ 3.9 million) compared to a net loss of €5.3 million (US \$ 5.7 million) in the same quarter last year. The reduction in net loss is due to lower research and development expenses and to changes to our overall compensation programs which included the exchange of certain stock options in January.

Crucell reports under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (US GAAP).

Key Figures First Quarter 2003 (€million, except net loss per share data)

	Q1 2003	% change	Q1 2002
Revenues	2.1	(2%)	2.2
Net loss	(3.6)	31%	(5.3)
Net loss per share (basic and diluted)	(0.10)	33%	(0.15)
Cash and cash equivalents on March 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002	104.6		110.6

Highlights First Quarter 2003

- Aventis Pasteur signs license agreement for production of viral vaccines
- Centocor (Johnson & Johnson) signs PER.C6TM licence for antibody production
- Targeted Genetics Corporation signs PER.C6TM licence for vaccine production



Details of the Financial Results

Revenues

Crucell revenues for the first quarter 2003 were € 2.1 million (US\$ 2.3 million), compared to € 2.2 million (US\$ 2.3 million) in the same quarter last year. License revenues in the first quarter 2003 ammounted € 1.7 million (US\$ 1.9 million), compared to €1.9 million (US\$ 2.1 million) in the first quarter 2002. Revenues in the first quarter consisted of upfront payments from new contracts as well as annual and other payments on existing contracts. Revenues from the agreements with Aventis Pasteur, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Centocor were deferred to future periods, due to our ongoing performance obligations.

Government grants and other revenues amounted to ≤ 0.4 million (US\$ 0.4 million) in the first quarter, compared to ≤ 0.3 million (US\$ 0.3 million) in the same quarter in 2002.

While Crucell seeks to increase revenues from year to year, the Company has in the past experienced significant fluctuations in quarterly revenues and expects to continue to experience such fluctuations in the future.

Results

The net loss for the first quarter 2003 was €3.6 million (US\$ 3.9 million), or €0.10 net loss per share (US\$ 0.11), compared to a net loss of €5.3 million (US\$ 5.7 million), or €0.15 net loss per share (US\$ 0.16) for the first quarter 2002.

Total research and development expenses in the first quarter 2003 were €4.0 million (US\$ 4.4 million), compared to €5.3 million (US\$ 5.7 million) in the first quarter of 2002. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the first quarter 2003 were € 1.6 million (US\$ 1.7 million), compared to €2.1 million (US\$ 2.3 million) for the same quarter in 2002.

Cash Flow and Cash Position

In total, cash decreased in the first quarter of 2003 by \leq 6.0 million (US\$ 6.5 million), compared to \leq 3.2 million (US\$ 3.4 million) in the same quarter in 2002. The difference of \leq 2.8 million (US\$ 3.0 million) is primarily due to the fact that fewer shares were issued as a result of options exercised, and because no cash was received from sale-lease-back transactions in the first quarter in 2003.

Cash invested in operating activities in the first three months of 2003 was ≤ 5.7 million (US\$ 6.2 million), compared to ≤ 5.1 million (US\$ 5.5 million) in the same quarter in 2002. This increase is mainly due to changes in working capital. Investments in plant and equipment amounted to ≤ 0.3 million (US\$ 0.3 million) in



the first three months of 2003, compared to \leq 0.8 million (US\$ 0.9 million) in the first three months of 2002.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents amount to € 104.6 million (US\$ 113.0 million) on March 31, 2003.

The Company is expected to reach profitability once products are brought to market by licensees using Crucell's technology.

Note: Euros are converted to US Dollars at March 31, 2003 exchange rate of 1.08.

About Crucell

Crucell N.V. develops biopharmaceuticals that use the human immune system to combat infectious diseases and other conditions. Crucell leverages its patented technologies, PER.C6TM, AdVacTM, and MAbstractTM, for discovery, development and production of antibodies and vaccines. Crucell offers its technologies to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry and also uses them to create its own product pipeline. Crucel and DSM Biologics have formed an alliance to develop and produce recombinant proteins and monoclonal antibodies. Other partners include Merck & Co. for a HIV vaccine and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for an Ebola vaccine. In addition, Crucell has over 20 licensees for its PER.C6TM technology. These include Novartis, GSK, Aventis and Schering AG. Crucell is headquartered in Leiden, The Netherlands and is listed on Euronext and NASDAQ (ticker symbol CRXL). For more information visit www.crucell.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve inherent risks and uncertainties. We have identified certain important factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in such forward-looking statements. For information relating to these factors please refer to our Form 20-F, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on June 13, 2002, and the section entitled "Risk Factors". The company prepares its financial statements under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States.

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CRUCELL N.V. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (amounts in thousands of Euros)

3 months ended

		March 31,		
	_	2003		2002
		(unaudited)		(unaudited)
REVENUES:				
License	€	1,735	€	1,911
Government grants and other revenues	_	385	-	250
Total revenues		2,120		2,161
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Research and development		4,038		5,286
Selling, general and administrative		1,588		2,121
Developed technology amortization		333		333
Stock based compensation	-	479	-	282
Total costs and expenses	_	6,438		8,022
LOSS FROM OPERATIONS		(4,318)		(5,861)
Interest income, net		716		970
Foreign currency gain/(loss)		(27)		106
Equity in losses of unconsolidated investments	_			(507)
NET LOSS BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		(3,629)		(5,292)
Provision for income taxes		-		-
NET LOSS	€ _	(3,629)	€	(5,292)
BASIC AND DILUTED NET LOSS PER SHARE:				
Net loss per share - basic and diluted	€	(0.10)	€	(0.15)
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic and diluted (Shares * 1.000)		35,698		35,477

CRUCELL N.V. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW (amounts in thousands of Euros)

3 months ended

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Cash and cash equivalents at end of period 104,612 117,050	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		104,612		117,050

CRUCELL N.V. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(amounts in thousands of Euros)

	-	March 31, 2003		December 31, 2002
Assets				
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Trade accounts receivable Receivable from related parties and employees Prepaid expenses and other current assets Total current assets Notes receivable from related parties and employees Plant and equipment, net Developed technology, net	€	104,612 1,555 136 2,956 109,259 890 10,723 2,993	€	110,645 1,009 - 2,823 114,477 901 11,153 3,326
Total assets	€	123,865	€	129,857
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued compensation and related benefits Short term portion of deferred revenue Accrued liabilities Total current liabilities	€ .	2,152 972 3,405 3,803 10,332	€	2,407 3,033 2,334 5,025 12,799
Long term liabilities Long term obligation under capital lease Long term portion of deferred revenue Total long term liabilities	-	1,804 3,386 5,190		1,951 3,698 5,649
Ordinary shares, €0.24 par value; 89,199,990 shares authorized; 35,760,297 and 35,649,938 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002 respectively Additional paid in capital Deferred compensation Accumulated deficit Total shareholders' equity		8,582 338,574 (5,377) (233,436) 108,343		8,556 336,652 (3,992) (229,807) 111,409
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	€	123,865	€	129,857