



## Press Release

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### **Immunomic Therapeutics and Genoa Biotecnologia, S.A. Sign Collaborative Research Agreement to Study Therapeutic HIV Vaccines in Phase I/II Clinical Trial**

Gaithersburg, MD, September 17, 2007 /-- Immunomic Therapeutics, Inc. (ITI, [www.immunomix.com](http://www.immunomix.com)) announced today that the Company has entered into a Collaborative Research Agreement with the Brazilian biotechnology company, Genoa Biotecnologia, S.A. The Agreement will be bringing together scientists from the two companies plus researchers at Johns Hopkins University and the Universidade de São Paulo to study a novel therapeutic vaccine in patients with HIV. ITI will be responsible for the preparation of the materials necessary to conduct the trials and the toxicology studies as well as managing the regulatory process; Genoa will be leading the clinical study in Brazil and will be responsible for dosing the patients and collecting the data. The Companies expect to begin the clinical trial in mid-2008 and expect to prepare a preliminary final report by early 2009.

Dr. L.H. Camara-Lopes, President & CEO of Genoa, commenting on the Agreement said, "We are confident that the combination of LAMP with our dendritic cell therapy to treat HIV patients will have important impact on the quality of the patients living with HIV." Dr. Camara-Lopes will be leading the clinical study in collaboration with Dr. Alberto Duarte at the Universidade de São Paulo and with Dr. Ernesto Marques and Dr. Tom August at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Bill Hearl, President & CEO of Immunomic Therapeutics said, "I am very pleased and excited to have the opportunity to work with our colleagues in Brazil. Earlier work studying a DNA vaccine approach in monkeys infected with SIV showed an excellent response and we anticipate a favorable outcome when this approach is applied to humans infected with HIV." Additionally, researchers from the University of Pittsburgh published a study in monkeys showing that dendritic cell therapy using the LAMP technology also had a strong response in an SIV model system. Dr. Hearl said, "We have a high degree of confidence that this DNA vaccine approach is going to generate a similar immune response in humans."

This research builds upon ITI's existing relationship with the Geron Corporation (NASDAQ: GERN), also a licensee of ITI for the LAMP technology for applications of telomerase as a therapeutic cancer vaccine, creating the third clinical study in humans using nucleic acid vaccines and LAMP technology. The project will start immediately and the goal is to complete the clinical study by early 2009. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

#### **About Genoa Biotecnologia**

Genoa Biotecnologia, S.A., located in São Paulo, Brazil is active in the development of genetic and molecular technologies for the advancement of human and animal health. The company is staffed by a team of scientific experts in medicine and molecular biology with worldwide experience and training including the U.S. and Brazil. Genoa has established a network of collaborations at major universities and hospitals and is developing novel vaccines and therapies to address important diseases such as HIV. The Company can be found on the web at [www.genoabiotec.com.br](http://www.genoabiotec.com.br); to request additional information about Genoa, contact the Company by e-mail at [info@genoabiotec.com.br](mailto:info@genoabiotec.com.br).

### **About Immunomic Therapeutics**

Immunomic Therapeutics, Inc. ("ITI") is a privately held biotechnology company headquartered in Gaithersburg, Maryland that is commercializing DNA vaccines that are important to human health. ITI's vaccines utilize its proprietary LAMP Technology and have been shown to enhance the immune response in human clinical studies. LAMP vaccines are currently in or preparing for clinical studies for cancer (AML and prostate cancer), therapeutic HIV, allergy and influenza. More information about ITI and LAMP technology can be obtained from [www.immunomix.com](http://www.immunomix.com) or [www.immunomictherapeutics.com](http://www.immunomictherapeutics.com).

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