

ACHILLION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

INSIDER TRADING POLICY

(Adopted September 26, 2016)

1. **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

The federal securities laws prohibit any member of the Board of Directors (a “Director”) or employee of Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (together with any subsidiaries, the “Company”) from purchasing or selling Company securities on the basis of material nonpublic information concerning the Company, or from tipping material nonpublic information to others. These laws impose severe sanctions on individuals who violate them. In addition, the SEC has the authority to impose large fines on the Company and on the Company’s Directors, executive officers and controlling stockholders if the Company’s employees engage in insider trading and the Company has failed to take appropriate steps to prevent it (so-called “controlling person” liability).

This insider trading policy is being adopted in light of these legal requirements, and with the goal of helping:

- prevent inadvertent violations of the insider trading laws;
- avoid embarrassing proxy disclosure of reporting violations by persons subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”);
- avoid even the appearance of impropriety on the part of those employed by, or associated with, the Company;
- protect the Company from controlling person liability; and
- protect the reputation of the Company, its Directors and its employees.

As detailed below, this policy applies to family members and certain other persons and entities with whom Directors and employees have relationships. However, nothing in this policy is applicable to transactions by the Company itself.

2. **PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO TRANSACTIONS IN THE COMPANY’S SECURITIES**

2.1 Covered Persons. This Section 2 applies to:

- all Directors;
- all employees;
- all family members of Directors and employees who share the same address as, or are financially dependent on, the Director or employee and

any other person who shares the same address as the Director or employee (other than (x) an employee or tenant of the Director or employee or (y) another unrelated person whom the Chief Financial Officer or General Counsel determine should not be covered by this policy); and

- all corporations, partnerships, trusts or other entities controlled by any of the above persons, unless the entity has implemented policies or procedures designed to ensure that such person cannot influence transactions by the entity involving Company securities.

2.2 Prohibition on Trading While Aware of Material Nonpublic Information.

(a) Prohibited Activities. Except as provided in Section 2.2(b), no person or entity covered by Section 2 may:

- purchase, sell or donate any securities of the Company while he or she is aware of any material nonpublic information concerning the Company or recommend to another person that they do so;
- disclose to any other person any material nonpublic information concerning the Company if such person may misuse that information, such as by purchasing or selling Company securities or tipping that information to others;
- purchase, sell or donate any securities of another company while he or she is aware of any material nonpublic information concerning such other company which he or she learned in the course of his or her service as a Director or employee of the Company or recommend to another person that they do so; or
- disclose to any other person any material nonpublic information concerning another company which he or she learned in the course of his or her service as a Director or employee of the Company if such person may misuse that information, such as by purchasing or selling securities of such other company or tipping that information to others.

(b) Exceptions. The prohibitions in Sections 2.2(a) and 2.3 on purchases, sales and donations of Company securities do not apply to:

- exercises of stock options or other equity awards that would otherwise expire or the surrender of shares to the Company in payment of the exercise price or in satisfaction of any tax withholding obligations, in each case in a manner permitted by the applicable equity award agreement; provided, however, that the securities so acquired may not be sold (either outright or in connection with a “cashless” exercise transaction through a broker)

while the employee or Director is aware of material nonpublic information or during a blackout period (as defined in Section 2.3(b));

- acquisitions or dispositions of Company common stock under the Company's 401(k) or other individual account plan that are made pursuant to standing instructions not entered into or modified while the employee or Director is aware of material nonpublic information or during a blackout period;
- other purchases of securities from the Company (including purchases under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan) or sales of securities to the Company;
- bona fide gifts, unless the person making the gift has reason to believe that the recipient intends to sell the securities while the employee or Director is aware of material nonpublic information or during a blackout period; and
- purchases or sales made pursuant to a binding contract, written plan or specific instruction (a "trading plan") which is adopted and operated in compliance with Rule 10b5-1; provided such trading plan: (1) is in writing; (2) was submitted to the Company for review by the Company prior to its adoption; and (3) was not adopted while the employee or Director was aware of material nonpublic information or during a blackout period and provided further that if such trading plan provides for trades to occur only once per quarter or less frequently (other than a plan that relates solely to the immediate sale of shares acquired under an employee stock purchase plan) such trading plan may not provide for trades to occur during a regular blackout period (as defined in Section 2.3(a)).

(c) Application of Policy After Cessation of Service. If a person ceases to be a Director or employee of the Company at a time when he or she is aware of material nonpublic information concerning the Company, the prohibition on purchases, sales or donations of Company securities in Section 2.2(a) shall continue to apply to such person until that information has become public or is no longer material.

2.3 Blackout Periods.

(a) Regular Blackout Periods. Except as provided in Section 2.2(b), no person or entity covered by this Section 2 may purchase, sell or donate any securities of the Company during the period beginning on the day immediately following the last day of each fiscal quarter and ending upon the completion of the first full trading day after the public announcement of earnings for such quarter (a "regular blackout period").

(b) Corporate News Blackout Periods. The Company may from time to time notify Directors, executive officers and other specified employees that an additional blackout period (a “corporate news blackout period”) is in effect in view of significant events or developments involving the Company. In such event, except as provided in Section 2.2(b), no such individual may purchase, sell or donate any securities of the Company during such corporate news blackout period and until the completion of the first full trading day following such corporate news blackout period, or inform anyone else that a corporate news blackout period is or has been in effect until the completion of the first full trading day following such corporate news blackout period. (In this policy, regular blackout periods and corporate news blackout periods are each referred to as a “blackout period.”)

2.4 Prohibition on Pledges. No person or entity covered by this Section 2 may purchase Company securities on margin, borrow against Company securities held in a margin account, or pledge Company securities as collateral for a loan.

2.5 Prohibition on Short Sales and Derivative Transactions. No person or entity covered by this Section 2 may engage in any of the following types of transactions:

- short sales of Company securities, including short sales “against the box”; or
- purchases or sales of puts, calls or other derivative securities based on the Company’s securities; or
- purchases of financial instruments (including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars and exchange funds) that are designed to hedge or offset any decrease in the market value of Company securities.

2.6 Partnership Distributions. Nothing in this policy is intended to limit the ability of a venture capital partnership or other similar entity with which a Director is affiliated to distribute Company securities to its partners, members or other similar persons. It is the responsibility of each affected Director and the affiliated entity, in consultation with their own counsel (as appropriate), to determine the timing of any distributions, based on all relevant facts and circumstances and applicable securities laws.

2.7 Underwritten Public Offering. Nothing in this policy is intended to limit the ability of any person to sell Company securities as a selling stockholder in an underwritten public offering pursuant to an effective registration statement in accordance with applicable securities law.

3. **ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS APPLICABLE TO DIRECTORS AND ALL EMPLOYEES**

3.1 Notice and Pre-Clearance of Transactions.

(a) Pre-Transaction Clearance. No person or entity identified in Section 2.1 (a “Pre-Clearance Person”) may purchase or sell or otherwise acquire or dispose of securities of

the Company, other than in a transaction permitted under Section 2.2(b), unless such person pre-clears the transaction with the Chief Financial Officer or General Counsel, or such officers' designees. A request for pre-clearance shall be made in accordance with the procedures established by the Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel. The Chief Financial Officer or General Counsel, or such officers' designees, shall have sole discretion to decide whether to clear any contemplated transaction. (The Chief Executive Officer or the General Counsel shall have sole discretion to decide whether to clear transactions by the Chief Financial Officer or persons or entities subject to this policy as a result of their relationship with the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer shall have sole discretion to decide whether to clear transactions by the General Counsel or persons or entities subject to this policy as a result of their relationship with the General Counsel.) All trades that are pre-cleared must be effected within five business days of receipt of the pre-clearance, unless a specific exception has been granted by the Chief Financial Officer or General Counsel, or such officers' designees (or, in the absence of both the Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel, and such officers' designees, then by the Chief Executive Officer). A pre-cleared trade (or any portion of a pre-cleared trade) that has not been effected during the five business day period must be pre-cleared again prior to execution. **Notwithstanding receipt of pre-clearance, if the Pre-Clearance Person becomes aware of material non-public information or becomes subject to a blackout period before the transaction is effected, the transaction may not be completed.**

(b) Post-Transaction Notice. Each person or entity covered by this Section 3 who is subject to reporting obligations under Section 16 of the Exchange Act shall also notify the Chief Financial Officer (or his or her designee) of the occurrence of any purchase, sale or other acquisition or disposition of securities of the Company as soon as possible following the transaction, but in any event within one business day after the transaction. Such notification may be oral or in writing (including by e-mail) and should include the identity of the covered person, the type of transaction, the date of the transaction, the number of shares involved and the purchase or sale price.

(c) Deemed Time of a Transaction. For purposes of this Section 3.1, a purchase, sale or other acquisition or disposition shall be deemed to occur at the time the person becomes irrevocably committed to it (for example, in the case of an open market purchase or sale, this occurs when the trade is executed, not when it settles).

4. **REGULATION BTR**

If the Company is required to impose a "pension fund blackout period" under Regulation BTR, each Director and executive officer shall not, directly or indirectly sell, purchase or otherwise transfer during such blackout period any equity securities of the Company acquired in connection with his or her service as a director or officer of the Company, except as permitted by Regulation BTR.

5. **PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION**

Violation of any of the foregoing rules is grounds for disciplinary action by the Company, including termination of employment. In addition to any disciplinary actions the Company may take, insider trading can also result in administrative, civil or criminal

proceedings which can result in significant fines and civil penalties, being barred from service as an officer or director of a public company, or being sent to jail.

6. COMPANY ASSISTANCE AND EDUCATION

6.1 Education. The Company shall take reasonable steps designed to ensure that all Directors and employees of the Company are educated about, and periodically reminded of, the federal securities law restrictions and Company policies regarding insider trading.

6.2 Assistance. The Company shall provide reasonable assistance to all Directors and executive officers, as requested by such Directors and executive officers, in connection with the filing of Forms 3, 4 and 5 under Section 16 of the Exchange Act. However, the ultimate responsibility, and liability, for timely filing remains with the Directors and executive officers.

6.3 Limitation on Liability. None of the Company, the Chief Financial Officer, the General Counsel or the Company's other employees will have any liability for any delay in reviewing, or refusal of, a trading plan submitted pursuant to Section 2.2(b) or a request for pre-clearance submitted pursuant to Section 3.1(a). Notwithstanding any review of a trading plan pursuant to Section 2.2(b) or pre-clearance of a transaction pursuant to Section 3.1(a), none of the Company, the Chief Financial Officer, the General Counsel or the Company's other employees assumes any liability for the legality or consequences of such trading plan or transaction to the person engaging in or adopting such trading plan or transaction.