



## Early Data on Amgen's Anti-Angiogenesis Pipeline Molecules Suggest Biologic Activity Across Tumor Types

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AMG 386 Preclinical Data Suggests Greater Reduction in Tumor Growth when Angiopoietin 1/2 and VEGF Pathways are Both Inhibited

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SAN DIEGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 13, 2008--Amgen (NASDAQ:AMGN), today announced results from preclinical studies suggesting a significantly greater reduction in tumor growth when AMG 386, a recombinant Fc-peptide fusion protein (peptibody) designed to bind angiopoietins 1 and 2, thereby inhibiting Tie2 dependent stimulation of endothelial cells, was combined with either of two vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) inhibitors -- bevacizumab or motesanib diphosphate (AMG 706) -- compared with either treatment alone (p less than 0.05). Angiopoietins, together with VEGFs, are key cytokines that regulate neovascularization. The results of preclinical studies that investigated the growth of human colon tumor cells in this combination were presented at the 2008 American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting in San Diego.

"Tumors depend on a reliable blood supply to grow and survive. By targeting angiogenesis - the process underlying the formation and growth of new blood vessels - we hope to achieve clinically meaningful control of many cancers," said Roger M. Perlmutter, Amgen's executive vice president of Research and Development. "What's encouraging about these early results is that they indicate that blocking more than one angiogenesis pathway may offer enhanced potential to inhibit tumor growth. We look forward to investigating this finding further."

The data were generated from three blinded studies of preclinical models of colon carcinoma randomized into three experimental groups. The models were treated with suboptimal doses of motesanib diphosphate (37.5 - 75 mg/kg QD, PO), bevacizumab (2.8 ug twice per week), AMG 386 (2.8 - 14 ug twice per week) or combinations thereof. In all three studies, greater reduction in tumor growth was observed when AMG 386 was combined with either motesanib diphosphate or with bevacizumab, compared to the tumor growth reduction seen with either VEGF inhibitor alone.

### Amgen's Commitment to Angiogenesis Research

Angiogenesis, the process of new blood vessel formation, plays a critical role in many diseases, including cancer. New blood vessels constantly form during an embryo's development, but in adults angiogenesis normally only takes place as part of specific processes such as recovering from an injury, when the growth of new blood vessels promotes wound healing. In cancer, tumors grow and metastasize in part by secreting angiogenic substances, such as VEGF, that can induce capillary growth into the tumor.

Anti-angiogenesis research is an important area of research for Amgen. In 2007, Amgen initiated four Phase 2 studies of AMG 386 for the treatment of renal cell, metastatic breast, ovarian and gastric cancers.

### About Motesanib Diphosphate

Motesanib diphosphate is a highly selective, investigational oral agent that is being evaluated for its ability to inhibit angiogenesis and lymphangiogenesis by targeting VEGF 1, 2 and 3. It is also under investigation for its potential direct anti-tumor activity by targeting platelet-derived growth factor receptor ("PDGFR") and stem cell factor receptor ("c-kit") signaling. A Phase 3 study examining the potential utility of motesanib diphosphate in the treatment of non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) is currently ongoing, as are Phase 2 studies in patients with metastatic breast cancer or NSCLC comparing the activity of motesanib diphosphate with that observed using bevacizumab. In February 2008, Amgen announced the establishment of a partnership with Takeda supporting the worldwide development and commercialization of motesanib diphosphate, and the development and commercialization of up to 13 Phase 2 molecules, including AMG 386, in Japan. Studies highlighting the in vitro activity of motesanib diphosphate against imatinib-resistant gastrointestinal stromal tumors will be presented on Tuesday, April 15 (Abstract no. 4887). The effect of motesanib diphosphate on radiation responses in preclinical head and neck cancer models will be presented on Wednesday, April 16 (Abstract no. 5764).

### About Amgen

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In addition, sales of our products are affected by the reimbursement policies imposed by third-party payors, including governments, private insurance plans and managed care providers and may be affected by regulatory, clinical and guideline developments domestic and international trends toward managed care and health care cost containment as well as U.S. legislation affecting pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement. Government and others' regulations and reimbursement policies may affect the development, usage and pricing of our products. In addition, we compete with other companies with respect to some of our marketed products as well as for the discovery and development of new products. We believe that some of our newer products, product candidates or new indications for existing products, may face competition when and as they are approved and marketed. Our products may compete against products that have lower prices, established reimbursement, superior performance, are easier to administer, or that are otherwise competitive with our products. In addition, while we routinely obtain patents for our products and technology, the protection offered by our patents and patent applications may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented by our competitors and there can be no guarantee of our ability to obtain or maintain patent protection for our products or product candidates. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to produce commercially successful products or maintain the commercial success of our existing products. Our stock price may be affected by actual or perceived market opportunity, competitive position, and success or failure of our products or product candidates. Further, the discovery of significant problems with a product similar to one of our products that implicate an entire class of products could have a material adverse effect on sales of the affected products and on our business and results of operations.

The scientific information discussed in this news release related to our product candidates is preliminary and investigative. Such product candidates are not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and no conclusions can or should be drawn regarding the safety or effectiveness of the product candidates. Only the FDA can determine whether the product candidates are safe and effective for the use(s) being investigated. Further, the scientific information discussed in this news release relating to new indications for our products is preliminary and investigative and is not part of the labeling approved by the FDA for the products. The products are not approved for the investigational use(s) discussed in this news release, and no conclusions can or should be drawn regarding the safety or effectiveness of the products for these uses. Only the FDA can determine whether the products are safe and effective for these uses. Healthcare professionals should refer to and rely upon the FDA-approved labeling for the products, and not the information discussed in this news release.

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