



PRESS RELEASE

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## Recipharm notes an increased demand for Chloroquine Phosphate

Recipharm, a leading contract development and manufacturing organisation (CDMO), has recently noted an increase in demand for its product *Klorokinofosfat RPH Pharma* marketed in Sweden by Astimex Pharma. The CDMO has also received questions about the product, which is typically used to treat patients with malaria prophylaxis and rheumatoid arthritis. The reason for the interest in this well-known product is the fact that due to chloroquine's antiviral effects, which mean it has been mentioned as a drug that can potentially be used when treating patients with coronavirus COVID-19 associated pneumonia. Furthermore, chloroquine has been included by WHO as one drug treatment option for priority research connected to immediate goals (<https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/who-china-joint-mission-on-covid-19-final-report.pdf>).

Although *Klorokinofosfat RPH Pharma* is not approved as an antiviral agent or for use in relation to pneumonia, Recipharm is presently focussing on securing supply of its chloroquine product in case the demand suddenly increases and new recommendations are introduced. Because of the current situation with the new coronavirus we believe it is of utmost importance to take every measure to be prepared.

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