



PRESS RELEASE

REGULATED INFORMATION

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## Disclosure of transparency notifications

**Mechelen, Belgium, 29 May 2019** – Biocartis Group NV (the 'Company' or 'Biocartis'), an innovative molecular diagnostics company (Euronext Brussels: BCART), announces today, in accordance with Article 14, paragraph 1 of the Belgian Act of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of major shareholdings in issuers whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market (the 'Belgian Transparency Act'), that it received transparency notifications from both OppenheimerFunds, Inc. ('OFI') and Invesco Ltd. ('Invesco') following Invesco's acquisition of OFI. The transparency notification by OFI received on 25 May 2019 ('OppenheimerFunds Notification'), indicated that on 24 May 2019, OFI no longer has voting rights over Biocartis' securities, and the transparency notification by Invesco received on 28 May 2019 ('Invesco Notification'), indicated that on 24 May 2019, Invesco increased above the 10% notification threshold, now holding 12.36% of the voting rights in Biocartis.

The OppenheimerFunds Notification contains the following information:

- **Reason for the Notification:** Acquisition or disposal of voting rights or securities. Downwards crossing of the lowest threshold.
- **Notification by:** A person that notifies alone.
- **Persons subject to the notification requirement:** OppenheimerFunds, Inc., The Corporation Company / 1675 Broadway / Suite 1200, CO 80202 Denver, USA.
- **Transaction date:** 24 May 2019.
- **Threshold that is crossed:** 3%.
- **Denominator:** 56,382,088.
- **Details of the Notification:** OppenheimerFunds, Inc. holds 0 voting securities, corresponding to 0% of the voting rights.
- **Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively being held:** OppenheimerFunds, Inc. is not a controlled entity.
- **Additional information:** Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company ('MassMutual'), an indirect corporate parent of OppenheimerFunds, Inc. ('OFI') and its subsidiaries, sold OFI to Invesco Ltd. ('Invesco') in a transaction that closed on May 24, 2019. As a result, investment discretion and voting rights exercised by OFI over its various mutual funds and other accounts has been transferred to Invesco. OFI no longer holds any disclosable position in the issuer.

The Invesco Notification contains the following information:

- **Reason for the Notification:** Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights.
- **Notification by:** A parent undertaking or a controlling person.
- **Persons subject to the notification requirement:** Invesco Ltd, Two Peachtree Pointe, 1555 Peachtree St, Suite 1800, Atlanta GA, USA.
- **Transaction date:** 24 May 2019.
- **Threshold that is crossed:** 10%.

- **Denominator:** 56,382,088.
- **Details of the Notification:** Invesco Advisers, Inc. holds 6,068,385 voting securities, corresponding to 10.76% of the voting rights. Invesco Asset Management Limited holds 900,692 voting securities, corresponding to 1.60% of the voting rights. Together, both entities hold 12.36% of the voting rights.
- **Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively being held:** This disclosure is made on behalf of Invesco Ltd. and relates to shares beneficially owned by various mutual and pension funds managed by Invesco Ltd. and its subsidiary companies, whereby Invesco Ltd. have discretion as to the acquisition and disposal of the shares and as to the exercise of the voting rights associated with the shares as at 24 May 2019. Invesco Ltd. is not a controlled entity. Invesco Ltd. is the parent company controlling the voting rights for the below; Invesco Advisers, Inc. 10.76% and Invesco Asset Management Limited 1.60%.
- **Additional information:** This disclosure is being made due to the acquisition and merger of OppenheimerFunds, Inc. For more information regarding the merger, please see the following link: <https://ir.invesco.com/investor-relations/press-releases/default.aspx>. The company, Invesco (on behalf of funds managed by affiliates of the group management companies) is not acting in concert with a third party and does not intend to take control of the company.

For further information, reference is made to both Notifications which are available [here](#) on the Biocartis website.

Pursuant to the Belgian Transparency Act and the articles of association of the Company, a notification to the Company and the Belgian Financial Services and Markets Authority (FSMA) is required by all natural and legal persons in each case where the percentage of voting rights in the Company held by such persons reaches, exceeds or falls below the threshold of 3%, 5%, 10%, and every subsequent multiple of 5%, of the total number of voting rights in the Company.

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