

PRESS RELEASE

AGA FILES FOR APPROVAL TO MARKET INOmax $^{\mathrm{TM}}$ IN THE UNITED STATES

Following its announcement of positive clinical trial results earlier this year, AGA has filed an application with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for approval to market INOmaxTM in the United States. AGA is seeking approval to use inhaled nitric oxide, INOmaxTM, for the treatment of hypoxemic respiratory failure in the term and the near-term newborn.

Treatment INOmaxTM is based on the discovery that in low concentrations, inhaled nictric oxide acts as a selective pulmonary vasodilator that dilates constricted blood vessels in the lungs without affecting the blood vessels in other parts of the body. The discovery of nitric oxide (NO) as the messenger EDRF (Endothelial Derived Relaxing Factor) was awarded the 1998 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine.

Several inhaled nitric oxide related method of use patents owned by Massachusetts General Hospital in the USA have been exclusively licensed to AGA on a worldwide basis.

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