



News Release

Takeda Statement Regarding Press Reports

Osaka, Japan, May 8 2018 — Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited (“Takeda”) notes media speculation that it will make a firm offer for Shire plc (“Shire”). Takeda and Shire continue discussions regarding a possible offer.

Takeda will make an announcement if Takeda makes a firm offer and reaches any agreement in due course.

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