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Eisai Gained Favourable Ruling by Court of Appeal, as NICE Process for Developing Guidance on Anti-dementia Medicines Ruled Unfair

Eisai Limited (Headquarters: London, Managing Director: Nick Burgin), a UK subsidiary of Eisai Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Tokyo, President and CEO: Haruo Naito) gained a positive ruling on May 1, 2008 (the UK time) from the UK Court of Appeal which found that the process by which the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) made the current guidance which restrict anti-dementia medicines for newly diagnosed patients with mild Alzheimer's disease breached the principle of procedural fairness.

NICE's current guidance in effect bans the use of anti-dementia medicines for patients with mild Alzheimer's disease. The Court stated that procedural fairness required NICE to release a fully executable version of the cost effectiveness model it used to produce guidance for the treatment of patients with Alzheimer's. The Court also found that refusal by NICE to release the model put consultees at significant disadvantage in challenging its reliability.

When the model is released to Eisai it will be able to review NICE's cost effectiveness calculations and submit any new findings to NICE. Eisai is fully committed to working with NICE to ensure all patients in the UK with mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease will have access to these medicines.

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