

## Cadila Pharma offers new hope to cardiac patients

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Cadila Pharmaceuticals launches Tikacad® in India, an antiplatelet drug-containing Ticagrelor, a P2Y12 platelet inhibitor indicated to reduce the rate of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, and stroke in patients with acute coronary syndrome (ACS) or a history of myocardial infarction (MI).

One in 4 deaths in India are because of CVDs where ischemic heart disease and stroke is responsible for >80% of this burden. Acute coronary syndrome (ACS) is a syndrome (set of signs and symptoms) due to decreased blood flow in the coronary arteries such that part of the heart muscle is unable to function properly or later results into fatality. To reduce this burden, Ahmedabad based Cadila Pharmaceuticals launched Tikacad® which has shown to reduce stroke incidence by 19% and ischemic stroke by 20%. For at least the first 12 months following ACS, it superior to has shown better results compared to Clopidogrel.

“With the launch of Tikacad®, we want to give quality care and medications to heart patients. Tikacad® is the next in the long line of Cardiac specialty drugs produced by Cadila Pharmaceuticals such as Nodon and Teli AM. We are on a mission to keep serving the community” said Mr. Ravikiran Numhuri, Vice-President, Sales and Marketing.

“Tikacad® is a ray of hope for patients of Cardio-vascular diseases. With Tikacad® we aim to reduce the suffering of these patients and help them lead a long and happy life. We are committed to our promise of quality care and are constantly working towards finding the next innovative drug for our patients” said Mr. O.P. Singh, President -Sales and Marketing, Cadila Pharmaceuticals Limited.

Tikacad is available in the form of 90mg tablets. Tikacad® containing Ticagrelor reduces the rate of stent thrombosis in patients who have been stented for treatment of ACS. Ticagrelor can also be used for the primary prevention of stroke in patients with coronary artery disease as approved by the USFDA.