Deerfield Facility Agreement

The Deerfield Facility was effective as of December 31, 2012, and allowed Flamel to use the funds for working capital, including continued investment in its research and development projects. The aggregate principal amount of the Loan was required to be repaid over four years as follows: 10% on July 1, 2014, and 20%, 30% and 40% on the second, third, and fourth anniversary, respectively, of the original disbursement date of the Loan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the entire principal amount of the Loan could be repaid in whole or in part on any interest payment date occurring after December 31, 2013. Interest accrued at 12.5% per annum to be paid quarterly in arrears, commencing on April 1, 2013, and on the first business day of each July, October, January and April thereafter. All amounts under the Deerfield Facility were repaid in full in March 2014.

Deerfield ***Royalty Agreement***

The Royalty Agreement, dated December 31, 2012, provides for Éclat to pay Deerfield PDF/Horizon 1.75% of the net sales price of the Products sold by Flamel and any of its affiliates until December 31, 2024, with royalty payments accruing daily and paid in arrears for each calendar quarter during the term of the Royalty Agreement. The Royalty Agreement requires Éclat to take all commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the necessary regulatory approvals to sell the Products in the United States and to market the Products after receiving such approvals.

Broadfin Facility and Royalty Agreement

The Broadfin Facility was effective as of December 3, 2013 and allowed Flamel to use the funds for working capital, including continued investment in its research and development projects. Under the terms of the Broadfin Facility, upon closing Broadfin made an initial loan of $5.0 million and we had the ability to request, at any time prior to August 15, 2014, up to two additional loans in the amount of $5.0 million each, with funding subject to certain specified conditions. Loans under the Facility were scheduled to mature upon the earlier to occur of (i) January 31, 2017 and (ii) the repayment in full of all outstanding amounts under the Deerfield Facility, but in no event prior to November 15, 2015. We had the ability to prepay the outstanding loans under the Broadfin Facility at any time, without prepayment penalty and the full $5.0 million outstanding was subsequently repaid in March 2014. Prior to repayment, interest accrued on the loan under the Broadfin Facility at a rate of 12.5% per annum, payable quarterly in arrears, commencing on January 1, 2014.

In connection with entering into the Broadfin Facility, we also entered into the Broadfin Royalty Agreement. Pursuant to the Broadfin Royalty Agreement, we are required to pay a royalty of 0.834% on the net sales of certain products sold by Éclat Pharmaceuticals, LLC and any of its affiliates until December 31, 2024.

Exchange Controls

The payment of any dividends to foreign shareholders must be effected through an authorized intermediary bank. All registered banks and credit establishments in the Republic of France are authorized intermediaries. Under current French exchange control regulations, there are no limitations on the amount of cash payments that may be remitted by Flamel to residents of the United States. Laws and regulations concerning foreign exchange controls do require, however, that all payments or transfers of funds made by a French resident to a non-resident be handled by an authorized intermediary bank.

Taxation

The following is a discussion of French and U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning and disposing of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs. This description is only relevant to holders of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs who are not residents of France and do not hold their shares in connection with a permanent establishment or a fixed base in France through which the holders carry on a business or perform personal services.

This description may not address all aspects of French tax laws that may be relevant in light of the particular circumstances of individual holders of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs. It is based on the applicable tax laws, regulations and judicial decisions as of the date of this annual report, and on the Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of France for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income and Capital dated as of August 31, 1994 entered into force on December 30, 1995, and the 2004 and 2009 Protocols amending the Treaty, all of which are subject to change, possibly *with retroactive* effect, or different interpretations. This discussion refers to the treaty between the United States and France described above, and the two Protocols together as the ‘Treaty’.

The following discussion should be considered only as a summary and does not purport to be a complete analysis of all potential tax effects of the purchase or ownership of the Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs. This summary does not address all potential tax implications that may be relevant as a holder, in light of particular circumstances.

Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

The following discussion applies to holders of Flamel Ordinary Shares that are not ‘U.S. Holders,’ as defined below. Holders of Flamel Ordinary Shares should consult their tax advisor concerning the French tax consequences.

Taxation on Sale or Disposal of Flamel Ordinary Shares

Generally, a holder of Flamel Ordinary Shares will not be subject to any French income tax or capital gains tax when the holder sells or disposes of Flamel Ordinary Shares if all of the following cumulative conditions apply:

- the holder is not a French resident for French tax purposes;
- the holder has held not more than 25% of Flamel’s dividend rights, known as *droits aux bénéfices sociaux*, at any time during the preceding five years, either directly or indirectly;
- the holder is not a resident of a non-cooperative jurisdiction as defined below; and
- Flamel is not considered as a real estate company.

If a double tax treaty bet*ween France and the country* of residence of a holder of Flamel Ordinary Shares contains more favorable provisions, a holder may not be subject to any French income tax or capital gains tax when the holder sells or disposes of any Flamel Ordinary Shares, even if one or all of the above statements does not apply to the holder.

Subject to various conditions, foreign states, international organizations and a number of foreign public bodies are not considered as French residents for these purposes.

As from January 1, 2012, transfers of a listed company's shares are subject to French registration or transfer taxes when they are documented by a written deed, irrespective of whether that deed is executed in France or outside of France. A tax credit will be available (up to the extent of the transfer taxes triggered in France) in order to shelter the foreign transfer tax liability (if registration is also required under foreign law). From January 1, 2012 to July 31, 2012, the following rates apply to the transfer of listed company shares: (i) 3% for the portion of the value below €200,000; (ii) 0.5% for the portion of the value between €200,000 and €500,000,000 and; (iii) 0.25% for the portion of the value above €500,000,000. As from August 1, 2012, a unique 0.10% tax rate will apply to the transfer of listed company's shares.

Taxation of Dividends

In France, companies may only pay dividends out of income remaining after tax has been paid.

French companies must, in principle, deduct a 30% withholding tax from dividends paid to non-residents. As from January 1, 2008, the rate of this withholding tax has been reduced to 21% for dividends paid to EU, Norway Iceland and Liechtenstein residents individuals.

In addition, anti-avoidance rules regarding transactions concluded with non-cooperative jurisdictionsprovide that dividends distributed to non-cooperative jurisdictions residents as of March 1, 2010, as per the criteria defined by the French tax code, would be subject to a 55% withholding tax.

The following countries were considered by the French tax authorities as non-cooperative jurisdictions in 2012:

Botswana	Guatemala	Montserrat	Niue
Brunei	Marshall Islands	Nauru	Philippines

Under most double tax treaties between France and other countries, the rate of this withholding tax may be reduced or eliminated in some circumstances. Generally, if dividends are subject to a French withholding tax, a holder who is a non-French resident is subsequently entitled to a tax credit in that holder’s country of residence for the amount of tax actually withheld.

However, France has entered into tax treaties with various countries under which qualifying residents are entitled to obtain from the French tax authorities a reduction (generally to 15% or 5%) or an elimination of the French withholding tax.

If these arrangements apply to a shareholder, Flamel will withhold tax from the dividend at the lower rate, provided that the shareholder has established, before the date of payment of the dividend, that the shareholder is entitled to the lower rate and has complied with the filing formalities. Otherwise, Flamel must withhold tax at the full rate of 30% (for other than European Union, Iceland, Norway or Liechtenstein residents individuals) or 21% (for European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein or Norway residents individuals), and the shareholder may subsequently claim the excess tax paid.

Estate and Gift Tax

France imposes estate and gift tax on shares of a French company that are acquired by inheritance or gift, this tax applying without regards to the residence of the transferor. However, France has entered into estate and gift tax treaties with certain countries pursuant to which, provided that certain conditions are met, residents of the treaty country may be exempt from such tax or obtain a tax credit.

Non-residents should consult their own tax advisors regarding whether French estate and gift tax would apply to them and whether they might be able to claim an exemption or tax credit pursuant to an applicable tax treaty.

Wealth Tax

French individual residents are taxable on their worldwide assets. Non-resident individuals may be subject to French wealth tax (*impôt de solidarité sur la fortune*) only on their assets which are located in France. However, financial investments made by non-resident individuals, other than in real estate companies, are exempt from wealth taxes as long as the individuals own less than 10% of the French company’s capital stock, either directly or indirectly, provided that their shares do not enable them to exercise influence on the French company.

Even if these conditions are not satisfied, a non-French resident holder may be exempt from French wealth tax if such holder is entitled to more favourable provisions pursuant to a double tax treaty between France and the holder’s country of residence.

Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders

The following is a discussion of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs by a U.S. Holder. For purposes of this discussion a “U.S. Holder” is a beneficial owner of the Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs who is (i) an individual citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof; (iii) an estate whose income is includible in gross income for United States federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or (iv) a trust whose administration is subject to the primary supervision of a United States court and over which one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust. This discussion does not apply to a U.S. Holder who is also a resident of France for French tax purposes.

If an entity that is treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes holds Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs, the tax treatment of a partner of such partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and upon the activities and organization of the partnership. If you are a partner of such a partnership you are urged to consult your tax advisor.

This summary is based in part upon the representations of the custodian and the assumption that each obligation in the Depositary Agreement with the Bank of New York relating to our ADSs and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms.

The following is a general summary of the principal tax effects on U.S. Holders for purposes of U.S. federal income tax and French tax, if all of the following four points apply:

- the U.S. Holder owns, directly, indirectly, or constructively, less than 10% of Flamel’s share capital;
- the U.S. Holder is entitled to the benefits of the Treaty (including under the ‘limitations on benefits article of the Treaty);
- the U.S. Holder holds Flamel Shares as capital assets; and

- the U.S. Holder’s functional currency is the U.S. dollar.

For purposes of the Treaty and the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Internal Revenue Code”), Holders of Flamel ADSs will be treated as the owner of the Flamel Ordinary Shares represented by such ADSs.

Special rules may apply to United States expatriates, insurance companies, pass-through entities and investors in such entities, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, persons subject to the alternative minimum tax, securities broker-dealers, persons who use the mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities holdings, and persons holding their Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs as part of a conversion or other integrated transaction, among others. Special rules relevant to those holders are not discussed in herein.

Holders of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs should consult their own tax advisers as to the particular tax consequences to them of owning Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs, including their eligibility for benefits under the Treaty, the applicability and effect of U.S. federal, state, local, non-U.S. and other tax laws and any possible changes in tax law.

Taxation of Dividends

Withholding Tax

Dividends paid to non-residents by French companies are subject to a 30% French withholding tax. Under the Treaty, this withholding tax is reduced to 15% if a U.S. Holder’s ownership of Flamel Shares is not effectively connected with a permanent establishment or a fixed base that the U.S. Holder has in France.

Dividends paid to a U.S. Holder by French companies are immediately subject to a reduced rate of 15%, provided that such U.S. Holder establishes before the date of payment that he is a U.S. resident under the Treaty by completing and providing the depositary with a simplified certificate (the “*Certificate*”) in accordance with the French tax guidelines (4 J–1-05 released on February 25, 2005). In order to establish U.S. residency for this Certificate, the U.S. resident should submit a Form 8802 (Application for United States Residency Certification) for certification from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (“*IRS*”). The Form 8802 is used to request Form 6166, a letter of U.S. residency certification for purposes of claiming benefits under an income tax treaty. The application for the Form 8802 requires a non-refundable user fee of $85 USD and should be submitted by mail with the application at least 45 days prior to the date the certification is needed.

Dividends paid to a U.S. Holder that has not filed the Certificate before the dividend payment date will be subject to French withholding tax at the rate of 30%. The tax withheld in excess of 15% can be reclaimed, provided that such U.S. Holder duly completes and provides the French tax authorities with the relevant form described in the tax guidelines mentioned above (the “*Form*”) before December 31 of the second calendar year following the year during which the dividend is paid. U.S. Pension Funds (as defined by Sections 401(a), 401(b), 403(b) and 457 of the Internal Revenue Code) and other Tax-Exempt Entities (as defined by Section 501(c) 3) of the Internal Revenue Code) are subject to the same general filing requirements as other U.S. Holders except that they may be required to supply additional documentation evidencing their entitlement to these benefits.

The Certificate and the Form, together with instructions, will be provided by the depositary to all U.S. Holders registered with the depositary. The depositary will arrange for the filing with the French Tax authorities of all Certificates properly completed and executed by U.S. Holders of Shares and returned to the depositary in sufficient time that they may be filed with French Tax authorities before the distribution so as to obtain an immediate reduced withholding tax rate.

U.S. Federal Income Tax

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, subject to the rules discussed below under the section titled "PFIC Status," the gross amount of a dividend paid by Flamel, including any French tax withheld, will be included in each U.S. Holder's gross income as dividend income when payment is received by them (or the custodian, if the U.S. Holder owns Flamel ADSs), to the extent they are paid or deemed paid out of Flamel's current or accumulated earnings and profits as calculated for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Dividends paid by Flamel will not give rise to any dividends received deduction. They will generally constitute foreign source "passive" income for "foreign tax credit" purposes. For certain recipients, dividends will constitute foreign source "general" income for foreign tax credit purposes

Under current U.S. federal tax law, as a general matter, amounts distributed as dividends by Flamel with respect to Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs paid in taxable years beginning before January 1, 2013 will be eligible to be treated as "qualified dividend income" that is subject to a U.S. federal income tax at a maximum rate of 15% provided both that certain minimum holding period and other requirements are met (i.e. Flamel meets the requirements of a "qualified foreign corporation" under the US federal income tax rules)and that Flamel is not treated as a PFIC (as defined below under the section titled "*PFIC Status*").

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the amount of any dividend paid in Euros, including any French withholding taxes, will be equal to the U.S. dollar value of the Euro on the date the dividend is included in income, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars. A U.S. Holder will generally be required to recognize foreign currency gain or loss when the U.S. Holder sells or disposes of the Euros. A U.S. Holder may also be required to recognize foreign currency gain or loss if that U.S. Holder receives a refund under the Treaty of tax withheld in excess of the Treaty rate. This foreign currency gain or loss will generally be U.S. source ordinary income or loss.

To the extent that any dividends paid exceed Flamel's current and accumulated earnings and profits as calculated for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the distribution generally will be treated as follows:

- First, as a tax-free return of capital, to be applied against and reduce in the adjusted basis of a U.S. Holder's Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs. Accordingly, this adjustment will increase the amount of gain, or decrease the amount of loss, which a U.S. Holder will recognize if such U.S. Holder later disposes of those Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs, as the case may be.
- Second, the balance of the dividend in excess of the adjusted basis will be taxed as capital gain recognized on a sale or exchange.

French withholding tax (which, as described above), is imposed on at a rate of 15% under the Treaty generally is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as payment of a foreign income tax. A U.S. Holder may take this amount as a credit or deduction against the U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability. The foreign tax credit is subject to various conditions and limitations, including minimum holding period requirements. Special rules apply in determining the foreign tax credit limitation with respect to dividends that are subject to the maximum 15% tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income.

To the extent a refund of French tax withheld with respect to dividends is available under the Treaty or otherwise under French law, the amount of tax withheld that is refundable will not be eligible for credit against your U.S. federal income tax liability.

Taxation of Capital Gains

French Tax. A U.S. Holder who is a resident of the United States for purposes of the Treaty will not be subject to French tax on any capital gain if such U.S. Holder sells or exchanges its Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs, unless the U.S. Holder has a permanent establishment or fixed base in France and the Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs the U.S. Holder sold or exchanged were attributable to that permanent establishment or fixed base. Special rules apply to individuals who are residents of more than one country.

U.S. Income Tax. In general, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a U.S. Holder will recognize capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder sells or exchanges its Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs. Any such gain or loss generally will be U.S. source gain or loss. If a U.S. Holder is an individual, any capital gain will generally be subject to U.S. federal income tax at preferential rates if the U.S. Holder meets applicable minimum holding period requirements.

PFIC Status. Flamel believes that it will not be treated as a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, for the current taxable year or for future taxable years. However, an actual determination of PFIC status is factual and cannot be made until the close of the applicable taxable year. Flamel will be a PFIC for any taxable year in which either:

- 75% or more of its gross income is passive income; or
- its assets which produce passive income or which are held for the production of passive income amount to at least 50% of the value of its total assets on average.

If Flamel were to be treated as a PFIC, the tax consequences applicable to distributions on Flamel Ordinary Shares and Flamel ADSs, and any gains a U.S. Holder realizes when the U.S. Holder disposes of such Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs, may be less favorable to the U.S. Holder. In addition, a U.S. Holder would be required to file Form 8621 with respect to its interest in Flamel. Each U.S. Holder should consult its own tax advisors regarding the PFIC rules and their effect on the U.S. Holder if they purchase Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs.

French Estate and Gift Taxes

Under 'The Convention Between the United States of America and the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Estates, Inheritance and Gifts of November 24, 1978,' if a U.S. Holder transfers their Flamel Shares by gift, or if they are transferred by reason of the U.S. Holder's death, that transfer will only be subject to French gift or inheritance tax if one of the following applies:

- the U.S. Holder is domiciled in France at the time of making the gift, or at the time of the U.S. Holder's death; or
- the U.S. Holder used the Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs in conducting a business through a permanent establishment or fixed base in France, or the U.S. Holder held the Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs for that use.

French Wealth Tax

The French wealth tax does not generally apply to Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs if the U.S. Holder is treated as a 'resident' of the United States for purposes of the Treaty. and if the U.S. Holder does not own a substantial interest (*participation substantielle) in Flamel*. Pursuant to article 23 §2 of the Treaty, "an individual is considered to have a substantial interest if he or she owns, alone or with related persons, directly or indirectly, shares, rights, or interests the total of which gives right to at least 25% of the corporate earnings".

Expansion of U.S. Medicare Tax

The U.S. Health Care and Reconciliation Act of 2010 requires that, in certain circumstances, certain U.S. Shareholders that are individuals, estates, and trusts pay a 3.8% tax on "net investment income," which includes, among other things, dividends on and gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors regarding this new legislation.

United States Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Dividend payments made by us (Flamel) to a U.S. Holder in respect of Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs and proceeds from the sale or disposal of a U.S. Holder's Flamel Ordinary Shares or Flamel ADSs may be subject to information reporting to the Internal Revenue Service.

U.S. federal backup withholding generally is a withholding tax (currently imposed at a rate of 28%) on some payments to persons that fail to furnish required information. Backup withholding will not apply to a U.S. Holder who furnishes a correct taxpayer identification number or certificate of foreign status and makes any other required certification, or who is otherwise exempt from backup withholding. Any U.S. persons required to establish their exempt status generally must file Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, entitled Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification. Amounts withheld as backup withholding may be credited against a U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability. A U.S. Holder generally may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules by filing the appropriate claim for refund with the Internal Revenue Service and furnishing any required information within the appropriate amount of time.