Anecova: the first baby born in Spain with AneVivo Natural Fertilization in IVI Bilbao.

Lausanne, May 3, 2016 – Selected as Technology Pioneer in 2008 by the World Economic Forum, Anecova is pleased to inform that the first baby was born using AneVivo based Natural Fertilization procedure within IVI Bilbao, one the leading clinics of IVI Group.

After several years of R&D and clinical development, Anecova has developed a more natural approach to assisted reproductive technology with the development of a porous capsule device allowing bi-directional passage of fluids, nutrients, and other non-cellular components, to enable interaction between the embryos and the maternal environment. It allows fertilisation and early embryo development in the maternal environment.

Anecova is now starting the commercialization of its AneVivo based Natural Fertilization procedure with IVI Bilbao and Complete Fertility Center in Southampton. More clinics will follow in the coming months.

Martin Velasco, Founder, Chairman and CEO of Anecova, says: “IVI Bilbao, under the leadership of Dr. Marcos Ferrando, has developed a unique level of excellence in patient care in IVF, combined with state of the art, innovative, patient centric research of IVI Group. We are delighted that IVI Bilbao had its first baby with the Natural Fertilisation procedure based on our AneVivo device. IVI Bilbao has become a Center of Excellence for AneVivo based Natural procedures”.

IVI Bilbao is an IVF clinic part of IVI Group, one of the world leaders in IVF, both from the clinical as well as from the R&D perspectives. The IVI Group has helped over 110,000 children to be born all across the globe. This group is constantly innovating and providing the best technology available in order to improve their pregnancy and implantation rates, which are one of the best success rates per patient.

Dr. Marcos Ferrando, Medical Director at IVI Bilbao and one of the leading clinicians within IVI Group, says: “The AneVivo device allows fertilisation and early embryo development to happen in the mother’s womb rather than in the laboratory. Fertility and early embryos growth happens in a more physiological environment, receiving nutrition and signals from the mother rather than from the culture fluids used in the laboratory. We have been able to validate internally the AneVivo based Natural Fertilization procedure and have obtained very positive performance indications. We are now offering this procedure to our patients”.
About Anecova

Anecova is a Swiss medical device company based at the EPFL Innovation Park in Lausanne. Anecova is working with world leading scientists and clinicians in the area of Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) with the objective of developing more natural approaches to ART. The company is ISO certified (9001 and 13485) and its AneVivo device is European Certified (CE MARK) and has also received the approval of several regulators in Europe, including the HFEA in the UK. Anecova has been working during recent years in the development of a device allowing the fertilisation and embryo development in the maternal environment instead of in the laboratory. AneVivo, its first device, allows clinics to offer a Natural Fertilisation and Natural Development procedures to their patients. Anecova is starting the commercialisation of AneVivo through leading IVF clinics, initially in the UK with Complete Fertility Centre, Southampton, headed by Professor Nick Macklon a worldwide leader in the IVF field and Dr. Marcos Ferrando, the clinical leader of IVI Bilbao, a leading clinic of the IVI Group. Anecova was granted the Technology Pioneer Award in 2008 at the World Economic Forum.

For more information go to www.anecova.com.

About IVI

IVI was founded in 1990 as the first medical institution in Spain fully dedicated to Human Reproduction and it now has more than 50 clinics in eleven countries. Since its creation, IVI has helped over 110,000 children to be born around the world. IVI is one of the most prize-winning groups in the world (winner of eight ASRM awards) and it has the most scientific publications in its field. In addition, it boasts numerous renowned specialists whose scientific work and clinical results have been awarded international prizes.

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