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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the treatment of Crohn's disease

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## Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the treatment of Crohn's disease

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
  - A. whereas Crohn's disease is an inflammatory bowel disease resulting essentially in abdominal pain and chronic digestive disorders which is particularly prevalent in the industrialised countries, and particularly in Western Europe in Sweden, for instance, there are as many as 213 cases per 100 000 inhabitants;
  - B. whereas the causes of Crohn's disease are unknown, but smoking, vitamin D deficiency, pollutants and diet seem to help activate the genetic factors involved in the outbreak of this disease;
  - C. whereas, according to a study published on 16 October 2016, the mongersen experimental drug (GED-0301, Celgene) seems to have resulted in a remission of the disease among almost half of patients after twelve months of treatment (160 mg per day);
  - 1. Encourages the Commission to support research and facilitate the marketing, if necessary, of a treatment for Crohn's disease.



