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Explanatory Note: The following is an English translation of the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which Vicuron published in an Italian newspaper of national circulation in Italy on May 6, 2003 (Italian time) as required by the rules of the Italian exchange:

Registered office 1209 Orange Street
Wilmington, Delaware, U.S.A.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Vicuron Pharmaceuticals Inc. will be held in the United States on Friday, June 20, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. local time at The Radisson Valley Forge Hotel at 1160 First Avenue, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406 for the purposes of considering and acting upon the following matters:

1. the election of three directors to the board of directors to hold office until the 2006 annual meeting of stockholders, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified;
2. a proposal to ratify the audit committee's selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2003; and
3. the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournments or postponements that may take place.

Holders of record of Vicuron common stock at the close of business on April 28, 2003 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting. Each holder of record of our common stock on the record date will be entitled to one vote per share on each matter to be voted upon at the annual meeting. The election of each director is considered to be a separate matter.

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All of our Italian stockholders are cordially invited to attend our annual meeting in the United States. If you hold Vicuron Pharmaceuticals stock in Italy through Monte Titoli, your broker is required by Italian law to provide you with a Certification of Participation in the Italian Central Depository System, which we refer to as your "Certification." If you wish to attend our annual meeting and vote in person, please present your Certification at the door. Alternately, if you would like to vote by mail, you must obtain an Italian proxy card. If you did not receive an Italian proxy card with this proxy statement, you may print one from our Internet site at www.shareholder.com/vicuron/2003annualstockholdersmeeting.cfm. Please mark your votes on the Italian proxy card and return it and your Certification by mail to the address shown on the card by the deadline shown on the card. Your name, as you write it on your Italian proxy card must exactly match your name, as printed on your Certification.

Copy of the proxy statement has been made available at the Borsa Italiana's offices and at the Vicuron's Italian offices, as well as on the SEC website (<http://www.sec.gov/edgar.html>).

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