

Gentium S.p.A.
Form 6-K
January 17, 2013

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of January 2013.

Commission File Number: **000-51341**

Gentium S.p.A.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Piazza XX Settembre 2, 22079 Villa Guardia (Como), Italy

(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-____.

The Registrant's press releases regarding that Company's Marketing Authorization Application for Defibrotide to treat and prevent hepatic veno-occlusive disease in adults and children undergoing haematopoietic stem cell transplantation therapy will be on the agenda for discussion at the European Medicines Agency's Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use meetings scheduled to be held on February 18-21, 2013.

This report and the exhibit attached thereto are incorporated by reference into the registration statements of Gentium S.p.A. on Forms F-3: File No. 333-135622, File No. 333-137551, File No. 333-138202, File No. 333-139422, File No. 333-141198, and File No. 333-174575 and on Forms S-8: File No. 333-137534, File No. 333-146534 and File No.

333-181171.

| <u>Exhibit</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 1 | Press release, dated January 17, 2013. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Gentium S.p.A.

(Registrant)

Date: January 17, 2013

/s/ SALVATORE CALABRESE

Salvatore Calabrese

Chief Financial Officer and Senior VP, Finance