

Gentium S.p.A.  
Form 6-K  
March 22, 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 March 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 [ x ]    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 [ x ]

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

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The Registrant's press release regarding the announcement of the adoption, by the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use ("CHMP"), of a negative opinion, recommending to the European Medicines Agency's ("EMA") the refusal of the marketing authorization for Defibrotide to treat and prevent hepatic veno-occlusive disease ("VOD") in adults and children undergoing hematopoietic stem cell transplantation therapy. Gentium remains convinced of the favourable benefit/risk profile of Defibrotide, and plans to appeal the EMA's decision and request a re-examination of the CHMP opinion.

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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>                   |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1              | Press release, dated March 22, 2013. |

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**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: March 22, 2013

**/s/ SALVATORE CALABRESE**

Salvatore Calabrese

*Chief Financial Officer and Senior VP, Finance*