



Neuren (NEU) - ASX Announcement

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Neuren announces investment and grant of exclusive negotiation period

Melbourne, Australia, 21 May 2018: Neuren Pharmaceuticals (ASX: NEU) today announced that it has entered into advanced negotiations with an undisclosed pharmaceutical company in the United States, regarding a potential partnering arrangement for the development and commercialization of trofinetide. The parties have signed an Exclusivity Deed (“Deed”) that provides for exclusive negotiations for a period of 3 months. Under the terms of the Deed, the other party will invest US\$4 million to subscribe for 1,330,000 Neuren shares at A\$4.00 per share, which is a premium of approximately 33% over the 10-day volume-weighted average share price. The parties have obligations to negotiate in good faith and use best endeavours to finalise formal transaction documents. If either party fails to complete the transaction, a break-fee of US\$0.5 million will be payable to the other party, unless the other party has breached its obligations under the Deed.

About Neuren and trofinetide

Neuren Pharmaceuticals Limited (Neuren) is a biopharmaceutical company developing new therapies for brain injury, neurodevelopmental and neurodegenerative disorders. Neuren has completed Phase 2 development of trofinetide for Rett syndrome and has completed a Phase 2 clinical trial in Fragile X syndrome. The programs for trofinetide in Rett syndrome and Fragile X syndrome have each been granted Fast Track designation by the US Food and Drug Administration and Orphan Drug designation in both the United States and the European Union. Trofinetide is a synthetic analogue of a naturally occurring neurotrophic peptide derived from IGF-1, a growth factor produced by brain cells. In animal models, trofinetide exhibits a wide range of important effects including inhibiting neuroinflammation, normalizing the role of microglia, correcting deficits in synaptic function and regulating oxidative stress response.

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Forward-looking Statements

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