CureVac Appoints Klaus Edvardsen as Chief Development Officer

TÜBINGEN, Germany / BOSTON, USA – June 2, 2021 – CureVac N.V. (Nasdaq: CVAC), a global clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing a new class of transformative medicines based on messenger ribonucleic acid ("mRNA"), today announced the appointment of Klaus Edvardsen, MD, PhD, as Chief Development Officer. The appointment of Dr. Edvardsen will take effect on August 1, 2021.

"We are very happy to welcome Dr. Edvardsen to the CureVac leadership team," said Jean Stéphenne, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of CureVac. "He has a tremendous background, having led both business development and clinical research on a global scale for several high-profile biopharmaceutical companies. His great breadth of knowledge and expertise in research and different therapeutic areas will serve CureVac well as it continues to evolve from a research-oriented biotechnology to a fully integrated biopharmaceutical company."

"We are very pleased that Klaus is joining us in highly dynamic times for the company," said Dr. Franz-Werner Haas, Chief Executive Officer of CureVac. "He brings a wealth of experience in both clinical development and product development, with a specific focus on oncology and therapies. Looking ahead, his expertise will be of great value to us as we expand our pipeline, advance our technology platform and further grow our company."

"I am both honored and excited to be joining CureVac at such an interesting point in its growth journey," said Dr. Edvardsen. "Their years of dedicated work on mRNA therapeutics positions CureVac well for bringing future treatments across a variety of indications to different patient populations. I am looking forward to contributing my experiences to the company and its development programs."

Dr. Edvardsen joins CureVac from Merck KGaA, where he led early- and late-stage global oncology development as a Senior Vice President and Head of Global Oncology Development. He served at AstraZeneca prior to that, as Senior Vice President and Head of Global Medicines Development Oncology, where he was responsible for the overall development strategy for oncology and hematology programs. Dr. Edvardsen also held leadership roles at both GlaxoSmithKline PLC and at Genmab A/S in medicines development within various therapeutic areas.

Dr. Edvardsen's previous research work includes several positions as adjunct member and professor in oncology at various institutes in Denmark, USA, Norway and Sweden. Dr. Edvardsen holds a MD degree as well as a PhD in cancer biology from University of Copenhagen.

About CVnCoV

CureVac began development of mRNA-based COVID-19 vaccine candidates in January 2020. The vaccine candidate chosen for first clinical development, CVnCoV, is an optimized, non-chemically modified mRNA, encoding the prefusion stabilized full-length spike protein of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, and formulated within Lipid Nanoparticles (LNPs). Phase 1 and 2a clinical trials of CVnCoV began in June and September 2020, respectively. Phase 1 interim data reported in November 2020 showed that CVnCoV was generally well tolerated across all tested doses and induced strong antibody responses in addition to first indication of T cell activation. The quality of the immune response was comparable to recovered COVID-19 patients, closely mimicking the immune response after natural COVID-19 infection. In December 2020, CureVac initiated a pivotal Phase 2b/3, the HERALD study, with a 12µg dose of CVnCoV. In February 2021, CureVac initiated a rolling submission with the European Medicines Agency (EMA) for CVnCoV.

About CureVac

CureVac is a global biopharmaceutical company in the field of messenger RNA (mRNA) technology, with more than 20 years of expertise in developing and optimizing the versatile biological molecule for medical purposes. The principle of CureVac's proprietary technology is the use of non-chemically modified mRNA as a data carrier to instruct the human body to produce its own proteins capable of fighting a broad range of diseases. Based on its proprietary technology, the Company has built a deep clinical pipeline across the areas of prophylactic vaccines, cancer therapies, antibody therapies, and the treatment of rare diseases. CureVac had its initial public offering on the New York Nasdaq in August 2020. It is headquartered in Tübingen, Germany, and employs more than 700 people at its sites in Tübingen, Frankfurt, and Boston, USA. Further information can be found at www.curevac.com.

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