

PRESS RELEASE

Ascendis Pharma A/S Announces New Commercial Endocrinology Leadership Appointments

- *Joe Kelly has been appointed to the newly created role of Head of U.S. Commercial, Endocrinology*
- *Scott A. Holmes has been appointed to the newly created role of Head of Global Commercial Strategy, Endocrinology*
- *Jesper Høiland, Global Chief Commercial Officer, will retire and become a senior advisor to Ascendis Pharma*
- *Endocrinology commercial team will continue to focus on building U.S. market leadership for SKYTROFA® (lonapegsomatropin-tcgd) and preparing for other anticipated TransCon™ product launches*

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, May 23, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Ascendis Pharma A/S (Nasdaq: ASND) today announced new Endocrinology commercial leadership appointments following the retirement of Global Chief Commercial Officer Jesper Høiland:

- Having established U.S. commercial operations, **Jesper Høiland** will retire from his position at Ascendis Pharma to return to Denmark with his family. Mr. Høiland joined Ascendis as Senior Vice President and Global Chief Commercial Officer in May 2020, bringing more than 25 years of senior leadership experience in operations, commercialization, and global marketing to his role.
- **Joe Kelly** has been appointed to the newly created role of Head of U.S. Commercial, Endocrinology. Mr. Kelly joined Ascendis in September 2020 as Vice President of Sales, U.S., where he has been leading the sales team to successfully increase awareness and build demand during the launch of SKYTROFA (lonapegsomatropin-tcgd), the company's first commercial product. Mr. Kelly has over 20 years of healthcare industry and sales experience and an exceptional track record of growing sales, developing people, and carefully listening to customers' needs.
- **Scott A. Holmes** has been appointed to the newly created role of Head of Global Commercial Strategy, Endocrinology. Mr. Holmes joined Ascendis in 2018 as Vice President, Commercial Analytics, where he has been responsible for building Ascendis'

commercial analytics capabilities and for creating the Ascendis Signature Access Program to support patients, caregivers, physicians, and payers. In his new role, Mr. Holmes will retain responsibility for these areas and will also support development of the global commercial strategy for the Company's endocrine rare disease portfolio. Mr. Holmes has over 20 years of global commercial biopharmaceutical expertise across four continents, and has launched market-leading endocrinology, oncology, and immunology brands.

"We thank Jesper for his contributions to building a U.S. commercial team committed to bringing new treatment options to patients," said Jan Mikkelsen, Ascendis Pharma's President and Chief Executive Officer. "I look forward to working with the Ascendis team to achieve our goal of market leadership for SKYTROFA and laying the foundation for our anticipated U.S. launch of TransCon PTH in 2023."

Reflecting on his time at Ascendis, Mr. Høiland said, "It has been a privilege to establish the Ascendis endocrinology commercial organization and launch SKYTROFA in the U.S. I cannot think of a better team to lead global commercialization than Joe and Scott and look forward to consulting with them to ensure continued execution of the company's plans."

About Ascendis Pharma A/S

Ascendis Pharma is applying its innovative platform technology to build a leading, fully integrated biopharma company focused on making a meaningful difference in patients' lives. Guided by its core values of patients, science and passion, the company uses its TransCon technologies to create new and potentially best-in-class therapies. Ascendis is headquartered in Copenhagen, Denmark, and has additional facilities in Heidelberg and Berlin, Germany; Palo Alto and Redwood City, California; and Princeton, New Jersey. Please visit www.ascendispharma.com to learn more.

Forward-Looking Statements

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