

AC Immune Announces Dr. Andreas Muhs, Chief Scientific Officer, to Take Medical Leave of Absence

Lausanne, Switzerland, October 22, 2018 – AC Immune SA (NASDAQ: ACIU), a Swiss-based, clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with a broad pipeline focused on neurodegenerative diseases, today announced that Dr. Andreas Muhs, Chief Scientific Officer, will take a medical leave of absence, starting immediately. During the leave of absence, AC Immune's research team will be led by Dr. David Lowe on an interim basis. Dr. Lowe has served as AC Immune's Deputy Chief Scientific Officer and more recently as Innovation Fellow since January 2014. While he is on medical leave, Dr. Muhs will stay involved with AC Immune's research team to the extent practical, and he will re-assume his role as soon as he has recovered.

About AC Immune

AC Immune is a clinical-stage Swiss-based biopharmaceutical company, listed on Nasdaq, which aims to become a global leader in precision medicine for neurodegenerative diseases. The Company designs, discovers and develops therapeutic as well as diagnostic products intended to prevent and modify diseases caused by misfolding proteins. AC Immune's two proprietary technology platforms create antibodies, small molecules and vaccines designed to address a broad spectrum of neurodegenerative indications, such as Alzheimer's disease (AD). The Company's pipeline features nine therapeutic and three diagnostic product candidates – with five product candidates currently in clinical trials. The most advanced of these is crenezumab, a humanized anti-amyloid- β monoclonal IgG4 antibody that targets monomeric and aggregated forms of amyloid- β , with highest affinity for neurotoxic oligomers. Crenezumab is currently in two Phase 3 clinical studies for AD, under a global program conducted by the collaboration partner Roche/Genentech. Other collaborations include Biogen, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Nestlé Institute of Health Sciences, Piramal Imaging and Essex Bio-Technology.

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