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Evotec awarded grant from The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

Hamburg, Germany – 02 February 2016: Evotec AG (Frankfurt Stock Exchange: EVT, TecDAX, ISIN: DE0005664809) today announced that it has been awarded a research grant from The Michael J. Fox Foundation ("MJFF") to further develop Evotec's TargetaSN (Target α -synuclein) programme for the treatment of Parkinson's disease.

The grant from MJFF supports the development of a highly sensitive assay to quantify the amount of the alpha-synuclein protein in human nerve cells. Mutations in the alpha-synuclein gene are known to cause Parkinson's disease, and the hallmark pathology of the disease, including in idiopathic patients, is aggregates of alpha-synuclein called Lewy bodies. Reducing the levels of mutated alpha-synuclein protein in the brain of Parkinson's disease patients is a promising treatment approach.

Dr Kuldip Dave, Director of Research Programs at MJFF commented: "Alpha-synuclein is a primary target both for Parkinson's drug development and biomarker research. Reliable tools to measure this protein, such as is being developed by Evotec, will help us better understand the course of disease, monitor its progression more closely and test new therapies more efficiently."

Dr Cord Dohrmann, Chief Scientific Officer of Evotec, stated: "We are delighted about the support of MJFF for our TargetaSN programme, which is part of a larger Evotec initiative to address neurodegenerative diseases through highly innovative approaches involving patient-derived stem cells and genetically validated mechanisms. Within this initiative, we systematically explore mechanisms that have been validated through human genetics in the context of patient-derived neuronal cells. This approach is expected to lead to the identification of novel targets and compounds with a higher probability to become effective treatments compared to conventional approaches."

ABOUT PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Parkinson's disease is a chronic, degenerative neurological disorder that is characterised by well-known motor symptoms including tremors, stiffness of limbs, slowness of movements and difficulties with posture and balance, as well as by non-motor symptoms. The cause is unknown, and although there is presently no cure, there are treatment options such as medication and surgery to manage its symptoms. Parkinson's disease is more common in people over 60 years of age and its prevalence is expected to increase significantly as the average age of the population increases. Estimates of the

number of people living with the disease therefore vary, but recent research indicates that at least one million people in the United States, and more than five million worldwide, have Parkinson's disease.

(Source: MJFF and Parkinson's Disease Foundation)

ABOUT THE MICHAEL J. FOX FOUNDATION

The Michael J. Fox Foundation (www.michaeljfox.org) is dedicated to finding a cure for Parkinson's disease through an aggressively funded research agenda and to ensuring the development of improved therapies for those living with Parkinson's today. Since 2000, The Michael J. Fox Foundation has funded more than \$ 525 million to speed a cure for Parkinson's disease.

ABOUT EVOTEC AG

Evotec is a drug discovery alliance and development partnership company focused on rapidly progressing innovative product approaches with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academics, patient advocacy groups and venture capitalists. We operate worldwide providing the highest quality stand-alone and integrated drug discovery solutions, covering all activities from target-to-clinic. The Company has established a unique position by assembling top-class scientific experts and integrating state-of-the-art technologies as well as substantial experience and expertise in key therapeutic areas including neuroscience, pain, metabolic diseases as well as oncology, inflammation and infectious diseases. Evotec has long-term discovery alliances with partners including Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, CHDI, Genentech, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, MedImmune/AstraZeneca, Roche and UCB. In addition, the Company has existing development partnerships and product candidates both in clinical and pre-clinical development. These include partnerships with Boehringer Ingelheim and MedImmune in the field of diabetes, with Janssen Pharmaceuticals in the field of depression and with Roche in the field of Alzheimer's disease. For additional information please go to www.evotec.com.

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