



## Media Release

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# MorphoSys Announces Approval of Tremfya® (Guselkumab) in South Korea

MorphoSys AG (FSE: MOR; Prime Standard Segment, TecDAX; OTC: MPSYY; Nasdaq: MOR) announced today that an affiliate of its licensee, Janssen Korea Ltd. (Janssen), reported that South Korea's Ministry of Food and Drug Safety has approved Tremfya® (guselkumab) for the treatment of moderate to severe adult plaque psoriasis requiring phototherapy or systemic therapies.

Tremfya® is a fully human anti-IL-23 monoclonal antibody developed by Janssen Research & Development, LLC and was generated utilizing MorphoSys's proprietary HuCAL antibody library technology.

MorphoSys is eligible to receive royalties on net sales of Tremfya®.

Dr. Markus Enzelberger, Chief Scientific Officer of MorphoSys AG, said: "After recent approvals of Tremfya® in Japan, Australia and Brazil as well as the approvals in the U.S., Canada and the European Union seen last year, we are very pleased about the Tremfya® approval in South Korea. We expect Tremfya® will continue to provide an important treatment option for patients living with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis on a truly global basis."

In addition to psoriasis, Tremfya® is in phase 3 development for psoriatic arthritis. Janssen has announced plans to investigate Tremfya® in Crohn's disease.

Further information about the South Korean approval of Tremfya® can be found in a press release issued by Janssen on April 15, 2018.

### About Psoriasis

Psoriasis is a chronic, autoimmune inflammatory disorder that results in the overproduction of skin cells, characterised by raised, inflamed, scaly, red lesions, or plaques, which can cause itching and physical pain. It is estimated that as many as 125 million people worldwide have psoriasis, and approximately 20% of people affected have cases that are considered moderate to severe.

### About MorphoSys

MorphoSys is a late-stage, biopharmaceutical company devoted to the development of innovative and differentiated therapies for patients suffering from serious diseases. Based on its technological leadership in generating antibodies, MorphoSys, together with its partners, has developed and contributed to the development of more than 100 product candidates, of which 28 are currently in clinical development. This broad pipeline spans MorphoSys's two business segments: Proprietary Development, in which the Company invests in product candidates for its own account, and Partnered Discovery, in which product candidates are developed exclusively for a variety of Pharma

and Biotech partners. In 2017, Tremfya® (guselkumab), marketed by Janssen, became the first therapeutic antibody based on MorphoSys's proprietary technology to receive marketing approval for the treatment of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis in the United States, the European Union and Canada. MorphoSys is listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and on the U.S. Stock Exchange Nasdaq, under the symbol MOR. For regular updates about MorphoSys, visit <http://www.morphosys.com>.

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