



## Media Release

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### **MorphoSys Announces Appointment of David Trexler as President and Member of the Board of Directors of MorphoSys US Inc.**

MorphoSys AG (FSE: MOR; Prime Standard Segment, TecDAX & MDAX; NASDAQ: MOR) today announced the appointment of David R. Trexler as President and member of the Board of Directors of MorphoSys US Inc., effective February 6, 2019. Mr. Trexler will lead the ongoing build-up of MorphoSys's U.S. subsidiary with a focus on establishing the company's commercial capabilities in preparation for the planned commercialization of MOR208 in the U.S.

"I am delighted to welcome David Trexler to MorphoSys. With his experience and proven track record in establishing commercial organizations for international pharmaceutical companies as well as successfully executing oncology product launches in the U.S., he is ideally qualified to lead MorphoSys US Inc. We very much look forward to working with him," said Dr. Simon Moroney, Chief Executive Officer of MorphoSys AG and Chairman of the Board of Directors of MorphoSys US Inc. "I would like to thank Jim Hussey for his outstanding contribution as interim president of our U.S. subsidiary over the last five months. Jim will now resume his position as special advisor to me in my role as Chairman of MorphoSys US Inc."

Mr. Trexler has built his career in leadership positions for branded pharmaceuticals in marketing, sales, business development and general management. He joins MorphoSys from EMD Serono, a business of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, where he held positions of increasing seniority including most recently positions as Global Brand Lead, Bavencio and Senior Vice President US Oncology Commercial. At EMD Serono, he was responsible for building Merck KGaA's first commercial oncology footprint in the U.S. and for the successful launch of Bavencio (avelumab) for metastatic Merkel cell carcinoma (mMCC). Prior to EMD Serono, Mr. Trexler worked for 10 years in various marketing roles in oncology for Eisai Inc., in particular as Senior Vice President Americas Oncology, where he was responsible for sales and marketing of Eisai's oncology portfolio across the U.S. and supported efforts in Canada, Mexico and Brazil. Mr. Trexler previously held leadership roles at Mylan Bertek Pharmaceuticals (2004-2005) and Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals (1986-2004).

"I am enthused to join MorphoSys US Inc. at this exciting time in the Company's development," commented David Trexler. "I look forward to working closely with the entire MorphoSys team to build our U.S. organization to enable a successful launch of MOR208 in this country, subject of course to prior FDA approval."

#### About MorphoSys

MorphoSys (FSE & NASDAQ: MOR) is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development and commercialization of exceptional, innovative therapies for patients suffering from serious diseases. The focus is on cancer. Based on its leading expertise in antibody, protein and peptide technologies, MorphoSys, together with its partners, has developed and contributed to the development of more than 100 product candidates, of which 29 are currently in clinical development. In 2017, Tremfya<sup>®</sup>, marketed by Janssen for the treatment of plaque psoriasis, became the first drug based on MorphoSys's antibody technology to receive

regulatory approval. The Company's most advanced proprietary product candidate, MOR208, has been granted U.S. FDA breakthrough therapy designation for the treatment of patients with relapsed/refractory diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL). Headquartered near Munich, Germany, the MorphoSys group, including the fully owned U.S. subsidiary MorphoSys US Inc., has approximately 320 employees. More information at <https://www.morphosys.com>.

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