

## ELIE ISHAG TO RETIRE FROM CLINUVEL BOARD

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CLINUVEL PHARMACEUTICALS LTD [ASX: CUV; NASDAQ INTERNATIONAL DESIGNATION: CLVLY; XETRA-DAX: UR9] today announced that Mr Elie Ishag has advised that he will not stand for re-election as Non-Executive Director of CLINUVEL at the Company's 2017 Annual General Meeting. He will continue to serve on the Board of CLINUVEL until the date of the Meeting.

Mr Ishag has been a shareholder of the Company for 12 years and has served on the Board of Directors since February 2011. He has been a member of the Remuneration Committee since 2014 and a member of the Nomination Committee since 2016.

"I would like to thank Elie for his important contribution to CLINUVEL over the past six and a half years," CLINUVEL's Chair, Mr Stan McLiesh said. "When Elie first joined CLINUVEL, the Company's core focus was the clinical development of an innovative first-in-class drug in a rare disease with an unmet clinical need. During his time on the Board, CLINUVEL navigated through an enormously challenging regulatory process which has culminated in a marketing authorisation and a successful product launch in a major market.

"Elie leaves CLINUVEL after it recently reported a first-time profit, with positive cash flow, and in a position where it is well placed to take opportunities to expand into new markets. Elie's insight and drive has been a positive influence on the Company throughout this journey and we wish him well as he steps away from his directorship."

CLINUVEL is undertaking a search process to appoint a new Director. The new Director will complement the current mix of skill, diversity and experience of the existing Board and will provide additional skills to support the next stage of the Company.

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### About CLINUVEL PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED

CLINUVEL PHARMACEUTICALS LTD (ASX: CUV; NASDAQ INTERNATIONAL DESIGNATION ADR: CLVLY; XETRA-DAX: UR9) is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and delivering treatments for patients with a range of severe genetic and skin disorders. As pioneers in understanding the interaction of light and human biology, CLINUVEL's research and development has led to innovative treatments for patient populations with a clinical need for photoprotection and repigmentation. These patient groups range in size from 5,000 to 45 million worldwide. CLINUVEL's lead product, SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg), was approved by the European Commission in 2014 for the prevention of phototoxicity (anaphylactoid reactions and burns) in adult patients with erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP). More information on EPP can be found at <http://www.epp.care>. Headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, CLINUVEL has operations in Europe, Switzerland, the US and Singapore. For more information go to <http://www.clinuvel.com>.

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