

# XPhyto Announces New Director of Business Development and Head of Diagnostic Research

Vancouver, Canada, and Uttenweiler, Germany (January 10, 2022) - XPhyto Therapeutics Corp. (CSE:XPHY / OTC:XPHYF / FSE:4XT) ("XPhyto" or the "Company") is pleased to announce two key appointments to continue its focus on research, development and commercialization of its biosensor and diagnostic products including for the detection of COVID-19.

#### **Director of Business Development**

Mr. Roland Spleiss has joined as the Director of Business Development. Mr. Spleiss is a seasoned commercial professional with over 25 years of experience in planning and building out effective salesforces, strategic realignment, production relocation, and project management, which makes him ideally suited to drive product sales.

In addition to extensive consulting roles, Mr. Spleiss held senior positions including Chief Financial Officer of Wörwag Pharma, a private German health and generic pharmaceutical company with over EUR 200 million in annual sales and 900 employees. He led the company's strategic professionalization and internationalization of operations, optimization of supply chains and sales processes, and expansion into new European, Asian and Latin American healthcare markets.

Mr. Spleiss' expertise in production and supply chain management, cost optimization, and sales force and distribution network creation will be invaluable to XPhyto's commercial strategy and execution.

### **Head of Diagnostic Research**

Dr. Heinrich Jehle has joined XPhyto as Head of Diagnostic Research. Dr. Jehle has over 20 years' experience in the research and development of innovative medical screening tests and diagnostics. Previously, Dr. Jehle held senior roles in project management and research & development at leading European biotech and diagnostics companies.

More recently, Dr. Jehle co-founded 3a-diagnostics GmbH as managing director where he led the development of the first saliva activated "in-mouth" biosensor candidates to identify active pathogens in the saliva and built a portfolio of innovative diagnostics biosensor products. The enzyme-activated biosensors are developed for real-time, low-cost and easy-to-use oral screening applications for the rapid detection of infectious diseases including COVID-19 at home or at the point-of-care.

"Mr. Spleiss and Dr. Jehle are tremendous additions to the XPhyto team," said Prof. Dr. Thomas Beckert. "Mr. Spleiss brings robust knowledge and experience in the development of product sales and economic



optimization with a demonstratable track record of success. Dr. Jehle's scientific expertise ensures the continued advancement and commercialization of innovative biosensor and diagnostic products, which is a key component of XPhyto's short- and long-term success."

XPhyto is pleased to have embarked on a recent process of rapid and transformative leadership change and organizational optimization.

The Company is not making any express or implied claims that its product has the ability to eliminate, cure or contain the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **About XPhyto Therapeutics Corp.**

XPhyto Therapeutics Corp. is a bioscience accelerator focused on next-generation drug delivery, diagnostic, and new active pharmaceutical ingredient investment opportunities, including: precision transdermal and oral dissolvable drug formulations; rapid, low-cost infectious disease and oral health screening tests; and standardization of emerging active pharmaceutical ingredients for neurological applications, including psychedelic compounds and cannabinoids. The Company has research and development operations in North America and Europe, with an operational focus in Germany, and is currently focused on regulatory approval and commercialization of medical products for European markets.

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