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**PRESS RELEASE**

**DEFENCE THERAPEUTICS SIGNS AN AGREEMENT WITH BIOPHARMA EXCELLENCE  
A PHARMALEX GMBH COMPANY, TO MAXIMIZE AND STRATEGIZE THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF ITS ACCUM™ PLATFORM AND CLINICAL TRIALS**

**Vancouver, BC, Canada, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021** - Defence Therapeutics Inc. (“**Defence**” or the “**Company**”), a biotechnology company working on cancer therapeutics and infectious disease vaccines is pleased to announce the agreement with the German renowned pharmaceutical consulting and advisory company, Pharmalex GmbH, through Biopharma Excellence.

With more than 35,000 successful projects completed, Pharmalex GmbH is a leading provider of specialized services for the pharmaceuticals, biotech and medical device industries that prioritize compliance. Biopharma Excellence, a Pharmalex GmbH division, is a leading pharmaceutical consultancy company with expertise covering all areas from development to approval and partnering of biopharmaceuticals with a focus on Europe, United States and Japan regulatory affairs.

Dr. Michael Pfeleiderer of Biopharma Excellence will advise and guide Defence through both strategy and regulatory affairs, related mainly on integrated drugs/products developments, manufacturing, control, clinical trials, FDA IND, and potential strategic pharma partners. Dr. Michael Pfeleiderer of Biopharma Excellence will be the Lead Scientist to achieve the mandate.

Dr. Michael Pfeleiderer is an internationally renowned expert in regulatory affairs and development of vaccines. He’s a biologist holding a Ph.D. in molecular virology. From 1998-2016, Dr. Pfeleiderer had been the Head of the Human Viral Vaccines Section at the Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI), German Federal Institute for Vaccines and Biomedicines.

Dr. Pfeleiderer is currently the Principal Consultant at Biopharma Excellence since 2016. He previously acted, among others, as the Chair of the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) Vaccine Working Party (VWP) at the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in London, Head of the World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborative Center for Vaccine Evaluation and Standardization, Chair of the BWP Influenza ad hoc Working Group, Chair and Vice Chair of EMA’s Pandemic Task Force (ETF) and a Nominated Member of the Biologics Working Party (BWP).

“It’s an honour to have Dr. Pflleiderer, of Biopharma Excellence, as the Lead Advisor for Scientific and Regulatory Affairs. Through his extensive experience, knowledge and network, Michael and Biopharma Excellence will tailor the guidance for Defence’s to accelerate our pipeline to the finish line. The key to success is to have the right strategy and integrated development/regulatory plan, which is exactly what we have found in Pharmalex’s Biopharma Excellence” said Sébastien Plouffe, Chief Executive Officer of Defence.

**About Defence:**

Defence Therapeutics is a publicly-traded biotechnology company working on engineering the next generation vaccines and ADC products using its proprietary platform. The core of Defence Therapeutics platform is the ACCUM™ technology, which enables precision delivery of vaccine antigens or ADCs in their intact form to target cells. As a result, increased efficacy and potency can be reached against catastrophic illness such as cancer and infectious diseases.

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