



## Theravance Biopharma Appoints Shehnaaz Suliman, MD, as Senior Vice President of Corporate Development and Strategy

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### Experienced Life Science Leader with Track Record of Business Development and Portfolio Management Successes

DUBLIN, July 31, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Theravance Biopharma, Inc. (NASDAQ: TBPH) ("Theravance Biopharma" or the "Company") today announced the appointment of Shehnaaz Suliman, MD, to the position of Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategy. Dr. Suliman brings more than 15 years of senior-level experience in life science corporate strategy and business development, as well as product development, to her new role at Theravance Biopharma. In this position, she will be responsible for driving corporate and business development as well as portfolio management strategy with the goal of maximizing the value of the Company's novel therapeutic products.

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"I have a keen appreciation for the impressive success that Theravance Biopharma has achieved in creating a rich pipeline of internally discovered therapeutics. The Company's deep commitment to excellent science and patient care has resulted in innovative product candidates with differentiated profiles intended to deliver meaningful benefit to patients across a number of high unmet need disease categories," said Dr. Suliman. "I look forward to joining the Theravance Biopharma team and applying my experience to the goal of maximizing the value of the Company's therapeutic portfolio to significantly enhance and impact patient care."

"We are thrilled to add an individual of Dr. Suliman's impressive accomplishments, leadership and energy to our senior team. Her successes in the areas of corporate and business development, product licensing and program management strategy at global leaders such as Roche, Genentech and Gilead speak for themselves," said Rick E Winningham, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Theravance Biopharma. "With a growing portfolio of novel therapeutics across several interesting indications and various stages of development, we are fortunate to strengthen our team with Dr. Suliman's unique insight and expertise."

Dr. Suliman most recently held the position of Vice President Roche Partnering, in which she served as Roche's global business development leader for its immunology, infectious disease and specialty care franchises. In this role, Dr. Suliman led the overall business development strategy, including acquisitions and licensing activities in these areas. In just over two years, she played a pivotal role in five successful transactions totaling just under \$2 billion, including Roche's \$580 million acquisition of Adheron Therapeutics. Prior to this position, Dr. Suliman served for more than four years as group leader of portfolio management and operations for Genentech. During this time, she oversaw the advancement of six small molecule and biologic programs from pre-IND stage to the end of Phase 2 in a range of immunology, infectious disease, neuroscience, cardio-metabolism, orphan drug and ophthalmic indications.

From 2004-2010, Dr. Suliman held several director level positions in corporate development with Gilead Sciences. Most recently serving as Senior Director, Corporate Development, where she played a leading role in developing and executing a successful diversification and growth strategy for Gilead into new therapeutic areas. In addition, Dr. Suliman also drove a successful licensing and alliance building effort that resulted in the execution of multiple strategic deals, including both in-licensing and out-licensing agreements. While at Gilead, she also played key roles in supporting the launch and commercial strategy for several branded therapeutics.

As a Rhodes Scholar, Dr. Suliman earned her MBA with distinction from Said Business School at the University of Oxford, as well as a Masters in Philosophy (MPhil) in development studies at the University of Oxford. She also received her Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree from the University of Cape Town Medical School.

#### **About Theravance Biopharma**

Theravance Biopharma is a diversified biopharmaceutical company with the core purpose of creating medicines that help improve the lives of patients suffering from serious illness.

Our pipeline of internally discovered product candidates includes potential best-in-class medicines to address the unmet needs of patients being treated for serious conditions primarily in the acute care setting. VIBATIV® (telavancin), our first commercial product, is a once-daily dual-mechanism antibiotic approved in the U.S., Europe and certain other countries for certain difficult-to-treat infections. Revefenacin (TD-4208) is a long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA) being developed as a potential once-daily, nebulized treatment for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Our neprilysin (NEP) inhibitor program is designed to develop selective NEP inhibitors for the treatment of a range of major cardiovascular and renal diseases, including acute and chronic heart failure, hypertension and chronic kidney diseases, such as diabetic nephropathy. Our research efforts are focused in the areas of inflammation and immunology, with the goal of designing medicines that provide targeted drug delivery to tissues in the lung and gastrointestinal tract in order to maximize patient benefit and minimize risk. The first program to emerge from this research is designed to develop intestinally restricted pan-Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitors for the treatment of a range of inflammatory intestinal diseases.

In addition, we have an economic interest in future payments that may be made by Glaxo Group Limited or one of its affiliates (GSK) pursuant to its agreements with Innoviva, Inc. relating to certain drug development programs, including the Closed Triple (the combination of fluticasone furoate, umeclidinium, and vilanterol), currently in development for the treatment of COPD and asthma.

For more information, please visit [www.theravance.com](http://www.theravance.com).

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