Intervacc and the Karolinska Institutet extends contract for the development of innovative animal health vaccines

Stockholm, August 15, 2024 –Intervacc AB (publ) and the Karolinska Institute, KI, announce that they have extended their collaboration to develop a new generation of animal health vaccines using recombinant fusion proteins. The three-year extension means that the research group at the Karolinska Institutet, led by Professor Birgitta Henriques Normark, continues to be part of the successful collaboration between the KI, the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) and Intervacc. This collaboration has led to the development of Strangvac®, a vaccine against the streptococcal infection strangles that affects horses, which is now available in several important European markets. The agreement includes the continued development of other vaccine projects with great potential to bring modern vaccine technology into the animal health sector.

"It is really fantastic that we are continuing our collaboration with the research team at KI, which is a brilliant team with many years of experience in bacteriological research and vaccine development. Their contribution will undoubtedly be of great importance for our ongoing vaccine development projects" says Dr. Andrew Waller Chief Scientific Officer at Intervacc.

"We are very satisfied with the results that our research groups at KI and SLU have achieved and look forward to continued successful collaboration through this extended agreement," says Jonas Sohlman, CEO at Intervacc AB.

Intervacc's research pipeline, in addition to Strangvac®, includes two vaccine projects. One project against Streptococcus suis infections in piglets and a second project against Staphylococcus aureus infections in dairy cows, which results in intractable mastitis. Streptococcus suis causes severe infections in pig herds with devastating results for the pig industry. There are almost one billion pigs worldwide and a safe and efficacious vaccine is long awaited.

Efficacious vaccines against these common infections are an important tool for enhancing animal health and welfare, improving the economics of food production and reducing the use of antibiotics. Vaccine development is also a crucial tool for reducing the widespread problem of resistance to antibiotics which is a global threat of great concern.

Professor Birgitta Henriques Normark at Karolinska Institutet said, *"I'm very pleased with the cooperation with Intervacc and we are excited to continue our work together with the development team. Together we are a leader in developing vaccines using recombinant fusion proteins and recombinant vaccine technologies. This agreement confirms Intervacc and KI's long-term commitment to the project."*

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About Intervacc
Intervacc AB is a Swedish company within animal health developing vaccines for animals. The Company's vaccine and vaccine candidates are based on several years of research at Karolinska Institutet and Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences where the foundation was laid for the Company´s research and development work. The Intervacc share has been listed on the Nasdaq First North Growth Market since April 2017 with Eminova Fondkommission AB as Certified Adviser.

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