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Calliditas CEO acquires shares through the exercise of Calliditas' warrant program 2019/2022

Calliditas Therapeutics AB (publ) (Nasdaq: CALT, Nasdaq Stockholm: CALTX) ("Calliditas") announced today that CEO Renée Aguiar-Lucander has net purchased 50,000 shares through Calliditas' warrant program 2019/2022. Following the new subscription for shares, her shareholding in the company will amount to 643,000 common shares.

The majority of the members of management who are eligible option holders in the program have today net purchased shares via the warrant program 2019/2022, which includes 422,500 warrants and can be exercised up to and including December 31, 2022. To partially finance the share purchases, the option holders in the program, including the CEO and eligible members of management, have sold shares. This sale, which consisted of 352,500 shares, was made today in a block transaction.

" I am excited about the company's development and success to date, including the promising start to our commercialization of TARPEYO in the US and the significant progress of the franchise such as regulatory filing in China, commercial launch in Europe and the addition of a partner in Japan. I look forward to continuing building value in our lead program backed by our exciting late-stage pipeline, which also has the potential of significant value creation in 2023," said Renée Aguiar-Lucander, CEO of Calliditas Therapeutics.

All shares in the warrant program 2019/2022 have been subscribed for, and Calliditas will receive SEK 31.5 million in cash.

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About Calliditas
Calliditas Therapeutics is a commercial stage biopharma company based in Stockholm, Sweden focused on identifying, developing and commercializing novel treatments in orphan indications, with an initial focus on renal and hepatic diseases with significant unmet medical needs. Calliditas' lead product, Nefecon, has been granted accelerated approval by the FDA under the trade name TARPEYO® and conditional marketing authorization by the European Commission under the trade name Kinpeygo®. Kinpeygo is being commercialized in the European Union Member States by Calliditas' partner, STADA Arzneimittel AG. Additionally, Calliditas is conducting a Phase 2b/3 clinical trial in primary biliary cholangitis and a Phase 2 proof-of-concept trial in head and neck cancer with its NOX inhibitor product candidate, setanaxib. Calliditas' common shares are listed on Nasdaq Stockholm (ticker: CALTX) and its American Depositary Shares are listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market (ticker: CALT). Visit www.calliditas.com for further information.

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