

**TASLY AND MESOBLAST INITIATE DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY ACTIVITIES FOR MPC-150-IM HEART FAILURE CELL THERAPY IN CHINA**

**New York, USA; and Melbourne, Australia; November 26, 2018:** Tasly Pharmaceutical Group and Mesoblast Limited (ASX:MSB; Nasdaq:MESO) today announced that the first Joint Steering Committee (JSC) meeting for their cardiovascular partnership was held in Tianjin last week, and as a result Tasly plans to meet with the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) of China, formerly known as the China Food and Drug Administration, in the first quarter 2019 to discuss the regulatory approval pathway for Mesoblast’s heart failure product candidate MPC-150-IM in China.

Tasly Biopharma’s Chief Medical Officer and Chair of the JSC, Dr Gloria Wang said: “We are going to leverage Mesoblast’s extensive cardiovascular clinical experience and knowledge base in order to map out the most expeditious pathway to approval for the heart failure product in China.”

The JSC comprises equal representation from both companies and was formed to oversee all clinical and manufacturing activities necessary to obtain regulatory approvals in China for Mesoblast’s cardiovascular cell therapy product candidates. Tasly and Mesoblast will leverage each other’s clinical trial results in China, the United States and other territories to support their respective regulatory submissions.

**About Tasly Pharmaceutical Group**

Tasly Pharmaceutical Group (SHA:600535) is one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in China with more than 20 years of operational history. Its business focuses on R&D, manufacturing and commercialization of innovative modern traditional Chinese medicine, biologics and chemical drugs in the therapeutic areas of cardiology, metabolism and oncology. Tasly has the only marketed biological product for cardiovascular diseases approved in China. It has one of the largest pharmaceutical sales and marketing teams, including 809 offices established in 29 regions covering all the main therapeutic areas, and a vast distribution network across approximately 20,000 hospitals in China. At 2017, its total annual revenues exceeded US\$2.5 billion.

**About Mesoblast**

Mesoblast Limited (ASX:MSB; Nasdaq:MESO) is a world leader in developing allogeneic (off-the-shelf) cellular medicines. The Company has leveraged its proprietary technology platform to establish a broad portfolio of late-stage product candidates with three product candidates in Phase 3 trials – acute graft versus host disease, chronic heart failure and chronic low back pain due to degenerative disc disease. Through a proprietary process, Mesoblast selects rare mesenchymal lineage precursor and stem cells from the bone marrow of healthy adults and creates master cell banks, which can be industrially expanded to produce thousands of doses from each donor that meet stringent release criteria, have lot to lot consistency, and can be used off-the-shelf without the need for tissue matching. Mesoblast has facilities in Melbourne, New York, Singapore and Texas and is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (MSB) and on the Nasdaq (MESO). [www.mesoblast.com](http://www.mesoblast.com)

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