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## Valneva Confirms Closing of Private Placement in Connection with €15.2m Investment by MVM Life Science Partners

**Lyon (France), December 15, 2016** – Valneva SE (“Valneva” or “the Company”), a fully integrated, commercial stage biotech company focused on developing innovative lifesaving vaccines, today announced that the share issuance in connection with MVM Life Science Partners LLP’s (‘MVM’) investment in the Company has closed.

MVM’s investment consists of a combined purchase of new shares together with a tranche of shares from existing undisclosed shareholders of the Company. The transaction was announced on December 1.

Valneva has now completed the issuance of 2,884,615 new ordinary shares to funds managed by MVM by way of a private placement without preferential subscription rights, based on resolution 24 of the June 2016 AGM and corresponding to a 3.9% dilution of the ordinary share capital. The placement resulted in aggregate proceeds of €7.5 million for Valneva. The total number of ordinary shares has increased to 77,582,714.

Together with the purchase of a further tranche of shares from undisclosed shareholders of the Company, which is in the process of being closed, funds managed by MVM will own 7.5% of Valneva’s ordinary share capital.

### About Valneva SE

Valneva is a fully integrated, commercial stage biotech company focused on developing innovative lifesaving vaccines.

The Company seeks financial returns through focused R&D investments in promising product candidates and growing financial contributions from commercial products, striving towards financial self-sustainability.

Valneva’s portfolio includes two commercial vaccines for travelers: IXIARO<sup>®</sup>/JESPECT<sup>®</sup> indicated for the prevention of Japanese encephalitis and DUKORAL<sup>®</sup> indicated for the prevention of cholera and, in some countries, prevention of diarrhea caused by ETEC. The Company has proprietary vaccines in development including candidates against *Clostridium difficile* and Lyme Borreliosis. A variety of partnerships with leading pharmaceutical companies complement the Company’s value proposition and include vaccines being developed using Valneva’s innovative and validated technology platforms (EB66<sup>®</sup> vaccine production cell line, IC31<sup>®</sup> adjuvant).

Valneva is listed on Euronext-Paris and the Vienna stock exchange and has operations in France, Austria, Great Britain, Sweden, Canada and the US with over 400 employees. More information is available at [www.valneva.com](http://www.valneva.com).

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