

Evolve appoints Oliver Walker as CFO

Strong track record as CFO of Nobel Biocare, Sonova and Stratec

29 November 2016 – Evolve (SIX: EVE) Evolve announces the appointment of Oliver Walker as its Chief Financial Officer (CFO) effective 1st December 2016.

Oliver Walker is a finance executive with more than 20 years of experience in international companies, both listed and privately-held, and was active in high growth industries and mature industries alike. Amongst other senior positions he was previously CFO of several leading Life Sciences companies, including Sivantos (Singapore), Nobel Biocare, Sonova and Stratec (all Switzerland). His experience covers all aspects of finance including M&A, capital market transactions, treasury, reporting and fundraising. Oliver has an MSc in Business Administration & Economics at the University of Berne. He is a Swiss national, born in 1969.

Neil Goldsmith, CEO of Evolve said, “I look forward to working with Oliver to take Evolve to the next stage. His experience as an entrepreneurial CFO in diverse life science, high tech and manufacturing companies will be very useful to Evolve. Oliver has a strong track record in driving operations and managing growth and brings an extensive network, both in the Swiss financial sector and abroad.”

Oliver said, “I am excited to join Evolve and make a contribution to bringing this dynamic and innovative company to strong and sustainable profitability. Jakob has given the company a solid financial foundation and I am confident my experience will be valuable in building on this basis.”

The current CFO, Jakob Dynnes Hansen, will remain at Evolve on a part-time basis to secure a smooth transition and is expected to depart in the second quarter of 2017. Jakob will return to his native Denmark, taking up a part time CFO position at Acesion Pharma, a young pharma-biotech company.

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About Evolve

Evolve solves the supply chain issues of nature through a 21st century mix of biotechnology and brewing. We develop, make and sell natural ingredients that provide significant benefits to people in daily life, but whose supply chain issues have limited their use until now. Our flagship ingredients are stevia, nootkatone

and resveratrol, but we work on many more, both on our own behalf and with others. To make our world sustainable requires nature and technology to work together as one, and our aim is to play a (small) part in achieving this transformation. We operate internationally. For more information see www.evolva.com. Questions about our approach? Have a look at our [video](#).

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