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## Syndesi Therapeutics awarded non-dilutive funding of up to €3.2M for development of its lead program, SDI-118, aimed at treating cognitive impairment

Belgium – 20 March 2019 – Syndesi Therapeutics SA, a biotechnology company developing novel SV2A modulators for cognitive impairment, today announced it has been granted up to EUR 3.2 M in non-dilutive funding from the Walloon Region. The funding is provided in the form of an 'avance récupérable' (recoverable loan), repayable under certain conditions with the majority of the repayment linked to the success of the programme.

Jonathan Savidge, CEO of Syndesi, said "We very much appreciate the Walloon Region's ongoing support for the continued development of this program. This is an area of high unmet need where it has proven challenging to develop new therapeutics. This additional support will enable us to leverage our investor financing to expand the clinical development program for SDI-118 and maximize the chance of bringing this promising molecule to patients."

The funding will support the development of SDI-118 through Phase I clinical studies, which will include PET imaging to directly measure the binding of SDI-118 to its target in the brain, providing key information for subsequent dose selection.

## **About Syndesi Therapeutics**

Syndesi Therapeutics was established to develop a series of novel, pro-cognitive small molecule SV2A modulators licensed from UCB, and in February 2018 announced €17M in Series A funding from a syndicate of Belgium and international investors. Syndesi is investigating the potential of these novel SV2A modulators to improve cognition in diseases such as Alzheimer's Disease and other dementias, as well as cognitive impairment associated with schizophrenia and other conditions. The discovery of the lead molecule, SDI-118, at UCB benefitted from prior support of the Walloon Region. For more information please visit www.syndesitherapeutics.com