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Radyus Research taps Richard Silverman as Scientific Advisory Board member

Atlanta, Georgia, and Evanston, Illinois, January 19, 2021 – Richard B. Silverman, the Patrick G. Ryan/ Aon Professor in the departments of chemistry, molecular biosciences, and pharmacology at Northwestern University, and the inventor of Pfizer's blockbuster Lyrica drug, has joined Radyus Research's scientific advisory board.

Dr. Silverman brings over 40 years of experience to the role, with expertise in conducting research and seeking out treatments for central nervous system disorders and cancer. Lyrica achieved FDA approval in 2004 and is used to treat epilepsy, fibromyalgia, and neuropathic pain. Dr. Silverman has authored or co-authored over 380 publications and holds over 100 patents to date.

"We are thrilled to welcome Dr. Silverman and glean his insights as we work to simplify the drug development process and help companies accelerate life-saving solutions for many debilitating diseases," Radyus Founder and CEO Marta New said. "His decades of experience in the biotech field and developing a commercially successful drug will prove invaluable in helping us achieve our core mission."

"I am honored to join the Radyus team and help advise some of the most innovative biotech companies in the country," Dr. Silverman said. "As the world continues to grapple with the detrimental effects of COVID-19 infection and many other diseases, our work of seeking out fresh methods to combat complex illnesses is more crucial than ever."

Dr. Silverman has received much recognition for his scientific achievements, most recently in 2017 receiving the American Chemical Society's Creative Invention Award that recognizes an inventor for the successful application of research in either chemistry or chemical engineering that contributes to consumers' overall well-being.

Dr. Silverman earned a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Science in chemistry from Pennsylvania State University. He carried out postdoctoral research in enzymology prior to joining the faculty at Northwestern University, where he continues to conduct research.

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