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**Helsinki, Finland** – Nanoform Finland Plc, an innovative nanoparticle medicine enabling company, and Celanese Corporation (NYSE: CE), a global specialty materials company, today announced plans to explore the synergies between their respective technologies in the field of nanoparticle-enabled drug delivery.

The goal is to assess the utility of combining Nanoform's nanoparticle platform technologies with Celanese's VitalDose<sup>®</sup> EVA copolymer delivery technology for drug-eluting implants. The aims are to enable the development of next-generation drug delivery devices that support increased drug load and possess enhanced sustained release properties. Nanoform and Celanese intend to work on formulation development, leveraging each organization's unique formulation expertise.

"We are delighted to announce the relationship with Celanese. One of Nanoform's fundamental goals is to enable next-generation drug therapies using our nanoparticles. Given the inherent difficulty in loading a sufficient amount of drug into many medical devices, we see a tremendous opportunity in using our nanoparticles to overcome this fundamental challenge. The potential to leverage the combination of these two technologies to bring new therapies to patients is something we are very excited about," said Edward Hæggström, CEO of Nanoform.

"Celanese has a strong history of successfully developing drug-eluting implants for women's health, ophthalmology, and central nervous system disorders using our VitalDose® EVA copolymer delivery technology with proteins, peptides and small molecules. Exploring Nanoform's nanoparticle technologies opens up new possibilities for enhancing formulation performance with existing products and for enabling the products of the future. We are pleased to work with Nanoform and hope that these efforts vield innovations we can bring to patients," said Laura Brand, Celanese Vice President, Medical & Pharmaceuticals.

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### **About Nanoform**

Nanoform is an innovative nanoparticle medicine enabling company. Nanoform works together with pharma and biotech partners globally to provide hope for patients in developing new and improved medicines utilizing Nanoform's platform technologies. The company focuses on reducing clinical attrition and on enhancing drug molecules' performance through its nanoforming technologies and formulation services. Nanoform's capabilities include GMP manufacturing, and its services span the small to large molecule development space with a focus on solving key issues in drug solubility and bioavailability and on enabling novel drug delivery applications. Nanoform's shares are listed on the Premier-segment of Nasdaq First North Growth Market in Helsinki (ticker: NANOFH) and Stockholm (ticker: NANOFS). Certified Adviser: Danske Bank A/S, Finland Branch, +358 40 5621 806. For more information, please visit www.nanoform.com.

### **About Celanese**

Celanese Corporation is a global chemical leader in the production of differentiated chemistry solutions and specialty materials used in most major industries and consumer applications. Our businesses use the full breadth of Celanese's global chemistry, technology and commercial expertise to create value for our customers, employees, shareholders and the corporation. As we partner with our customers to solve their most critical business needs, we strive to make a positive impact on our communities and the world through The Celanese Foundation. Based in Dallas, Celanese employs approximately 7,700 employees worldwide and had 2020 net sales of \$5.7 billion. For more information about Celanese Corporation and its product offerings, visit <a href="https://www.celanese.com">www.celanese.com</a>.

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