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# Transparency notification received from S.R.I.W. SA, EPIMEDE S.A., Mr R. de Spoelberch, SFPI SA and SRIB SA & BRUSTART S.A.

Brussels, Belgium, 25 May 2016 – ASIT biotech (ASIT - BE0974289218), a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the research, development and future commercialization of breakthrough immunotherapy products for the treatment of allergies, today announces it has received notifications of shareholding from various parties: Mr R. de Spoelberch, S.R.I.W. S.A., Epimède S.A., SFPI SA and S.R.I.B. SA & BRUSTART S.A. in accordance with the Belgian Law of 2 May 2007 concerning disclosure of major holdings in issuers whose shares are admitted to trading on a Belgian regulated market.

Shareholders holding more than 10% of the shares of the Company:

• SFPI SA (Société Fédérale de Participations et d'Investissement) holds 1,363,243 shares or 10.69 % of the 12,756,800 outstanding shares of the Company at the time of notification.

Shareholders holding more than 5% of the shares of the Company:

- Mr R. de Spoelberch holds 1,212,428 shares or 9.50% of the 12,756,800 outstanding shares of the Company at the time of notification;
- S.R.I.W. (Société Régionale d'Investissement de Wallonie) holds 809,971 shares or 6.35% of the 12,756,800 outstanding shares at the time of notification;
- Epimède SA holds 718,524 shares or 6.63% of the 12,756,800 outstanding shares of the Company at the time of notification;
- S.R.I.B. (Société Régionale d'Investissement de Bruxelles) and its subsidiary BRUSTART S.A., hold together 861,114 shares or 6.75% of the 12,756,800 outstanding shares at the time of notification.

### **About ASIT biotech**

ASIT biotech is a Belgian clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and future commercialisation of a range of breakthrough immunotherapy products for the treatment of allergies. Thanks to its innovative ASIT+ $^{TM}$  technology platform, ASIT biotech is currently the only developer of AIT product candidates consisting of a unique mixture of highly purified natural allergen fragments in an optimal size selection. This innovation results in a short treatment, expected to improve patient compliance and real-life effectiveness. ASIT biotech's product pipeline entails two novel  $ASIT+^{TM}$  product candidates targeting respiratory allergy with the highest prevalence (i.e. grass pollen:  $gp-ASIT+^{TM}$  and house dust mite:  $hdm-ASIT+^{TM}$ ), that could significantly expand the current immunotherapy market. The Company believes that its innovative  $ASIT+^{TM}$  platform is flexible and would be applicable across a range of allergies.

ASIT biotech has a headcount of 22 staff members, at its headquarters in Brussels and a laboratory in Liège, Belgium.

Further information can be found at: www.asitbiotech.com.

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