

## LINK Medical acquires IRW, further expanding its clinical research services and expertise across the Nordic countries

OSLO, Norway, December 04, 2020 – LINK Medical

has today announced the acquisition of IRW Consulting AB (IRW), a Nordic CRO with more than 20 years of experience in clinical research outsourcing. With this acquisition LINK Medical will continue growing and strengthening its position in the Nordics, while improving its already strong offerings and increasing its clinical operations capabilities in the region.

IRW brings in a team of experts across clinical research, with considerable experience in clinical operations. With contacts and customers across the Nordic countries, IRW will also add significant business and business opportunities. In particular, the acquisition of IRW will provide additional CRO support in Finland through their local office placed in Vantaa, Helsinki. This will significantly enhance the current offerings across the Nordics introducing Finland into the LINK Medical organization.

LINK Medical's Scandinavian roots and culture ensure the provision of high-quality service delivery based on respect, work integrity and a strong focus on solutions. IRW fits within these Nordic values and this acquisition will boost LINK Medical's expertise and offerings, ensuring its full and flexible services can continue to be offered across Northern Europe and beyond.

"We are delighted that IRW will be joining the LINK Medical team" said LINK Medical CEO, Ola Gudmundsen. "This acquisition illustrates LINK Medical's continued growth, whilst reinforcing our strong foothold in the Nordics. This not only helps strengthen our position, but it will enhance our services and capabilities across the region as well."

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"The team at IRW is very excited to be joining LINK Medical" said Ingela Wiking, founder of IRW. "LINK Medical's strong Nordic values, competence and integrity align perfectly with the values we hold at IRW. We are excited to be bringing our strength and expertise to the team at LINK Medical to continue providing exceptional research support in the Nordic countries."

### About LINK Medical

LINK Medical is a full-service contract research organization (CRO) providing product development services for the pharmaceutical

and medical device industries across Northern Europe. We offer a well-integrated local presence in the Nordics UK and Germany. Reaching from early phase development to post-marketing, we have over 180 employees providing expert guidance across every aspect of a project – all from ONE source.

Our promise is to improve and accelerate your product development through transformative methods, active communication and optimal solutions. As a strategic partner, we provide expert competence and technology to enable evidence-based decision-making that supports the delivery of superior clinical outcomes.



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