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## MANAGEMENT CHANGES POST-FINANCIAL YEAR END

**Melbourne, Australia; August 10, and New York, USA; August 9, 2021:** Mesoblast Limited (ASX:MSB; Nasdaq:MESO), global leader in allogeneic cellular medicines for inflammatory diseases, announced today that effective August 30, 2021, post-release of the financial results, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Josh Muntner will be leaving the organization and Andrew Chaponnel will assume the role of interim CFO. Prior to his departure, Mr Muntner will work closely with the Board and management team to coordinate finalization of the FY21 financial statements and effect an orderly transition.

Andrew Chaponnel will be appointed interim CFO effective August 30, 2021. Mr Chaponnel has demonstrated strong leadership skills over the past nine years at Mesoblast, initially as Group Financial Controller and for the past three years as Head of Finance. Throughout this period he has been an integral member of the senior management team on various corporate transactions and has provided exemplary oversight of the finance functions.

Silviu Itescu, CEO of Mesoblast said "Josh has been a valuable member of our leadership team, we thank him for his contribution to Mesoblast and wish him well for the future. We are confident that Andrew's experience in financial oversight and various corporate transactions will be of great benefit as he transitions to his new role."

## About Mesoblast

Mesoblast is a world leader in developing allogeneic (off-the-shelf) cellular medicines for the treatment of severe and life-threatening inflammatory conditions. The Company has leveraged its proprietary mesenchymal lineage cell therapy technology platform to establish a broad portfolio of late-stage product candidates which respond to severe inflammation by releasing anti-inflammatory factors that counter and modulate multiple effector arms of the immune system, resulting in significant reduction of the damaging inflammatory process.

Mesoblast has a strong and extensive global intellectual property portfolio with protection extending through to at least 2040 in all major markets. The Company's proprietary manufacturing processes yield industrial-scale, cryopreserved, off-the-shelf, cellular medicines. These cell therapies, with defined pharmaceutical release criteria, are planned to be readily available to patients worldwide.

Mesoblast has completed Phase 3 trials of rexlemestrocel-L for advanced chronic heart failure and chronic low back pain. Remestemcel-L is being developed for inflammatory diseases in children and adults including steroid refractory acute graft versus host disease and moderate to severe acute respiratory distress syndrome. Two products have been commercialized in Japan and Europe by Mesoblast's licensees, and the Company has established commercial partnerships in Europe and China for certain Phase 3 assets.

Mesoblast has locations in Australia, the United States and Singapore and is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (MSB) and on the Nasdaq (MESO). For more information, please see <a href="http://www.mesoblast.com">www.mesoblast.com</a>, LinkedIn: Mesoblast Limited and Twitter: @Mesoblast

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This announcement includes forward-looking statements that relate to future events or our future financial performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forwardlooking statements. We make such forward-looking statements pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other federal securities laws. Forwardlooking statements should not be read as a guarantee of future performance or results, and actual results may differ from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements, and the differences may be material and adverse. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to,

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