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# **BetterLife Confirms Non-controlled Status of 2-bromo-LSD with Health Canada**

VANCOUVER, January 19, 2021 -- BetterLife Pharma Inc. (“BetterLife” or the “Company”) (CSE: [BETR](https://www.thecse.com/en/listings/life-sciences/betterlife-pharma-inc) / OTCQB: [BETRF](https://www.otcmarkets.com/stock/BETRF/overview) / FRA: [NPAU](https://www.tradegate.de/orderbuch.php?lang=en&isin=CA08772P2026)), an emerging biotech company focused on the development and commercialization of cutting-edge treatments in mental disorders and viral infections, is pleased to announce that Health Canada has confirmed that 2-bromo-LSD is not a controlled substance. According to Health Canada, “the information currently available at the Controlled Substances Directorate, 2-bromo-LSD is NOT CONTROLLED under the Schedules to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.”

In yesterday’s online edition of Forbes magazine, Ahmad Doroudian, CEO of BetterLife, further emphasized the significant barriers that current regulations impose on development of the current generation of psychedelics and LSD based compounds and advantages of non-controlled second generation psychedelics such as TD-0148A. The full Forbes article can be accessed [here](https://www.forbes.com/sites/amandasiebert/2021/01/18/betterlife-pharma-is-developing-second-generation-psychedelics-drugs-that-leave-out-the-trip/?sh=400c3310648f).

“Confirmation of the non-controlled status of 2-bromo-LSD is a significant first step for BetterLife to initiate our IND-enabling pre-clinical studies of our lead second-generation psychedelic product TD-0148A. BetterLife will not face the significant regulatory hurdles during the development process of TD-0148A that other psychedelic products will have to overcome. We believe that there is a great need for novel non-hallucinogenic treatments of mental disorders that can be dispensed at the pharmacy level and safely administered at home. BetterLife’s TD-0148A is one such treatment,” said Ahmad Doroudian, CEO of BetterLife.

**About BetterLife Pharma Inc.**

BetterLife Pharma Inc. is an emerging biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of next generation psychedelic products for the treatment of mental disorders. Utilizing drug delivery platform technologies, BetterLife is refining and developing drug candidates from a broad set of complementary interferon-based technologies which have the potential to engage the immune system to fight virus infections, such as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and human papillomavirus (HPV).

For further information please visit [www.abetterlifepharma.com](file:///C:\Users\andre\AppData\Local\Temp\www.abetterlifepharma.com).

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