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SYNAPTIC PHARMACEUTICAL CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

H. LUNDBECK A/S

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Set forth as Exhibit 99.1 is a transcript of the Synaptic acquisition teleconference held by H. Lundbeck A/S on November 21, 2002.

Please note that the merger described in the teleconference is contingent on approval by the Synaptic stockholders, regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions, including obtaining Hart-Scott-Rodino approval.

Synaptic is a pioneer in the development of pharmaceuticals that target G protein-coupled receptors (GPCRs) to achieve superior efficacy and safety in the treatment of disorders such as depression, diabetes, obesity, pain and incontinence. As of November 21, 2002, Synaptic is collaborating with Grunenthal GmbH on discovering compounds for the alleviation of pain and with Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. to identify novel G protein-coupled receptors that can provide new drug discovery targets for Kissei. Glaxo Group Limited, Eli Lilly and Company, Novartis Pharma A.G. and Ranbaxy Laboratories Limited have also been granted licenses by Synaptic.

H. Lundbeck A/S is an international pharmaceutical company engaged in the research and development, production, marketing and sale of drugs for the treatment of psychiatric and neurological disorders. In 2001, the Company's revenue was DKK 7.7 billion. The number of employees is approx. 4,800.

ADVISORS

Lundbeck was advised by JPMorgan. Synaptic was advised by Bank of America Securities.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

The forward-looking statements contained in this announcement are based on the management's current expectations concerning certain future events and results. These are, of course, subject to uncertainty, and actual results may therefore differ materially from those expressed by the statements. Further, some of the expectations are based upon assumptions about future events, which may turn out to be incorrect.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Stockholders of Synaptic are urged to read the proxy statement that Synaptic will file on Schedule 14A with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") when it becomes available, and any other relevant documents filed or to be filed in the future with the SEC because those documents contain important information about Synaptic, the proposed transactions and related matters. Investors and security holders can obtain free copies of the proxy statement at Synaptic's web site, www.synapticcorp.com or by contacting Investor Relations, Synaptic Pharmaceutical Corporation, 215 College Road, Paramus, NJ 07652 (Telephone: (201) 261-1331, ext. 1410). Investors and security holders can also obtain free copies of the proxy statement and other documents filed by Synaptic and henceforth by Lundbeck with the SEC in connection with the proposed transactions at the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov.

In addition to the proxy statement, Synaptic files annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC, each of which are available at the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. Lundbeck has not previously filed any reports or other information with the SEC because Lundbeck has no securities registered pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. You may also read and copy any reports, statements and other information filed by Synaptic and henceforth by Lundbeck at the

SEC public reference room at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information.

Synaptic, Lundbeck, and their respective directors, executive officers and certain members of management and other employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies of Synaptic's stockholders to approve the proposed transactions. Such individuals may have interests in the transactions, including as a result of holding options or shares of Synaptic's stock. Information regarding Lundbeck and its directors and officers is contained in its DFAN 14A, filed with the SEC on November 21, 2002. Information regarding Synaptic and its directors and officers is contained in its proxy statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the SEC on April 8, 2002.

INFORMATION REGARDING PARTICIPANTS ON BEHALF OF LUNDBECK

Set forth below is the name, business address, principal occupation or employment and citizenship of each director and executive officer of Lundbeck. The name of each person who is a director of Lundbeck is marked with an asterisk. The business address of each person listed below is 9 Ottiliavej, DK-2500 Valby, Copenhagen, Denmark. As of the date of this filing, none of the directors or executive officers listed below individually held any options or shares of Synaptic securities.

| Name and Business Address | Principal Occupation or Employment |
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| ERIK SPRUNK-JANSEN | President and Chief Executive Officer of Lundbeck |
| CLAUS BRAESTRUP | Executive Vice President, Research and Development of Lundbeck |
| LARS BANG | Senior Vice President, Commercial Operations, Europe and Overseas of Lundbeck |
| HARALD CONRADI-LARSEN | Senior Vice President, Human Resource Management of Lundbeck |
| STIG LOKKE PEDERSEN | Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Commercial Operations, America and Asia of Lundbeck |
| HANS HENRIK MUNCH-JENSEN | Senior Vice President, Corporate Finance and Communication of Lundbeck |
| OLE MOESTRUP | Senior Vice President, Strategic Marketing of Lundbeck |
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| OLE VAHLGREN* | Vice President, U.S. Operations of Lundbeck, Inc. |
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| 99.1 | Transcript of the Synaptic Acquisition Teleconference held by H. Lundbeck A/S on November 21, 2002 |