Cytokinetics Announces Presentations at the International Symposium on ALS/MND

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 02, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cytokinetics, Inc. (Nasdaq:CYTK) today announced one oral presentation and two poster presentations at the 27th International Symposium on ALS/MND in Dublin, Ireland. The posters will be presented on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, and will include the results of an international physician survey on the use of noninvasive ventilation in the treatment of ALS, and data on a machine learning model for the prediction of slow vital capacity, based on datasets from BENEFIT-ALS that Origent Data Sciences analyzed under a research collaboration with Cytokinetics that is funded by The ALS Association. On Friday, December 9, 2016, the baseline characteristics of patients enrolled in VITALITY-ALS will be presented in an oral presentation.

Poster Presentations

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2016
Location: The Forum, The Convention Centre Dublin
Session: Poster Session A
Presentation Time: 5:45 – 7:30 PM
Poster Moderated: 6:00 – 6:20 PM
Poster Number: P203
Theme: 7 - Improving Diagnosis and Prognosis
Title: Machine Learning Model For The Prediction Of Slow Vital Capacity
Poster Presenters: David L. Ennist, Ph.D., MBA, Chief Science Officer, Origent Data Sciences and Jinsy A. Andrews, M.D., Director of Neuromuscular Clinical Trials at Columbia University in New York City

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2016
Location: The Forum, The Convention Centre Dublin
Session: Poster Session A
Presentation Time: 5:45 – 7:30 PM
Poster Moderated: 7:00 – 7:20 PM
Poster Number: CW3
Theme: CW - Clinical Work in Progress
Title: Understanding the use of noninvasive ventilation in the treatment of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis: results of an international physician survey
Poster Presenter: Terry Heiman-Patterson, M.D., Drexel Neurological Institute, Philadelphia

Oral Presentation

Date: Friday, December 9, 2016
Location: The Liffey B, The Convention Centre Dublin
Session: 9B – Clinical Trials
Presentation Time: 9:30 – 9:45 AM
Title: VITALITY-ALS, a Phase 3 trial of the fast skeletal muscle troponin activator, *Tirasemtiv*, for the potential treatment of ALS: Study design and baseline characteristics
Presenter: Jeremy M. Shefner, M.D., Ph.D., Lead Investigator of VITALITY-ALS, Professor and Chair of Neurology at Barrow Neurological Institute, and Professor and Executive Chair of Neurology at the University of Arizona, Phoenix

About Cytokinetics

Cytokinetics is a late-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering, developing and commercializing first-in-class muscle activators as potential treatments for debilitating diseases in which muscle performance is compromised and/or declining. As a leader in muscle biology and the mechanics of muscle performance, the company is developing small molecule drug candidates specifically engineered to increase muscle function and contractility. Cytokinetics' lead drug candidate is *tirasemtiv*, a fast skeletal muscle troponin activator, for the potential treatment of ALS. *Tirasemtiv* has been granted orphan drug designation and fast track status by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and orphan medicinal product designation by the European Medicines Agency for the potential treatment of ALS. Cytokinetics retains the right to develop and commercialize *tirasemtiv*, subject to an option held by Astellas Pharma Inc. Cytokinetics is also collaborating with Astellas to develop CK-2127107, a fast skeletal muscle activator, for the potential treatment of spinal muscular atrophy, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and ALS. Cytokinetics is collaborating with Amgen Inc. to develop *omecamtiv mecarbil*, a novel cardiac muscle activator, for the potential treatment of heart failure. Amgen holds an exclusive license worldwide to develop and commercialize *omecamtiv mecarbil* and Astellas holds an exclusive license worldwide to develop and commercialize CK-2127107. Both licenses are subject to Cytokinetics' specified development and commercialization participation rights. For additional information about Cytokinetics, visit http://www.cytokinetics.com/.

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conduct of clinical trials may be difficult or delayed, Cytokinetics' drug candidates may have adverse side effects or inadequate therapeutic efficacy, the FDA or foreign regulatory agencies may delay or limit Cytokinetics' or its partners' ability to conduct clinical trials, and Cytokinetics may be unable to obtain or maintain patent or trade secret protection for its intellectual property; Cytokinetics may incur unanticipated research and development and other costs or be unable to obtain additional financing necessary to conduct development of its products; standards of care may change, rendering Cytokinetics' drug candidates obsolete; and competitive products or alternative therapies may be developed by others for the treatment of indications Cytokinetics' drug candidates and potential drug candidates may target; and risks and uncertainties relating to the timing and receipt of payments from its partners, including milestones and royalties on future potential product sales under Cytokinetics' collaboration agreements with such partners. For further information regarding these and other risks related to Cytokinetics' business, investors should consult Cytokinetics' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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