



Reata Selected to Present Early-Stage Programs at the BIO Asia International Conference

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IRVING, Texas, March 16, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Reata Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq:RETA) (Reata or Company), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company, today announced that Chief Development Officer, Keith Ward, Ph.D., will present at the 15th Annual BIO Asia International Conference on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. JST in Tokyo, Japan. The BIO Asia conference is a premier partnering-focused event for the biopharmaceutical industry, and Reata's selection as a presenting company highlights the strength of its early-stage assets, including RTA 901 and RTA 1701.

RTA 901 is a highly potent and selective C-terminal inhibitor of Hsp90, which has a critical role in mitochondrial function, protein folding, and inflammation. RTA 901 demonstrates profound efficacy in a wide range of animal models of neurologic disease, including diabetic neuropathy and demyelinating nerve injury. RTA 901 has been evaluated in a Phase 1 clinical trial in healthy volunteers, with no safety or tolerability issues and with an acceptable pharmacokinetic profile.

RTA 1701 is a novel, small-molecule, orally bioavailable ROR γ t inhibitor that is currently in preclinical testing. ROR γ t is the master regulator of human T Helper 17 (Th17), cellular differentiation, function, and cytokine production, and is a compelling target for a variety of autoimmune and inflammatory conditions.

About Reata Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Reata is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company that develops novel therapeutics for patients with serious or life-threatening diseases by targeting molecular pathways involved in the regulation of cellular metabolism and inflammation. Reata's two most advanced clinical candidates, bardoxolone methyl and omaveloxolone, target the important transcription factor Nrf2 that promotes the resolution of inflammation by restoring mitochondrial function, reducing oxidative stress, and inhibiting pro-inflammatory signaling.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes certain disclosures that contain "forward-looking statements," including, without limitation, statements regarding the success, cost and timing of our product development activities and clinical trials, our plans to research, develop and commercialize our product candidates, and our ability to obtain and retain regulatory approval of our product candidates. You can identify forward-looking statements because they contain words such as "believes," "will," "may," "aims," "plans," and "expects." Forward-looking statements are based on Reata's current expectations and assumptions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks, and changes in circumstances that may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements, which are neither statements of historical fact nor guarantees or assurances of future performance. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, (i) the timing, costs, conduct, and outcome of our clinical trials and future preclinical studies and clinical trials, including the timing of the initiation and availability of data from such trials; (ii) the timing and likelihood of regulatory filings and approvals for our product candidates; (iii) the potential market size and the size of the patient populations for our product candidates, if approved for commercial use, and the market opportunities for our product candidates; and (iv) other factors set forth in Reata's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K, under the caption "Risk Factors." The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made and, other than as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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