



Results from Calithera Biosciences' CANTATA Study to Be Presented at 2021 ASCO Annual Meeting

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., April 28, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Calithera Biosciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: CALA), a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on discovering and developing novel small-molecule drugs for the treatment of cancer and other life-threatening diseases, today announced that final results from the CANTATA clinical study will be shared in an oral presentation at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) 2021 Annual Meeting taking place virtually June 4-8, 2021.

Earlier this year, Calithera announced topline results from the Phase 2 CANTATA trial, which evaluated the efficacy and safety of the company's glutaminase inhibitor, telaglenastat, in combination with cabozantinib versus placebo with cabozantinib in patients with advanced or metastatic renal cell carcinoma (RCC) who had been treated with one or two prior lines of systemic therapy, including immune checkpoint inhibitor or anti-angiogenic therapy. Results showed that the addition of telaglenastat to cabozantinib did not improve progression-free survival (PFS) in the study population. Additional analyses will be presented.

Following are details of the ASCO 2021 presentation of final CANTATA results:

Title: CANTATA: Primary analysis of a global, randomized, placebo (Pbo)-controlled, double-blind trial of telaglenastat (CB-839) + cabozantinib vs. Pbo + cabozantinib in patients (pts) with advanced/metastatic renal cell carcinoma (mRCC) that progressed on immune checkpoint inhibitor (ICI) or anti-angiogenic therapies

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Session Title: Genitourinary Cancer—Kidney and Bladder

Session Time: 6/7/2021 8:00am – 11:00am EDT

Presenter: Nizar M. Tannir, M.D., FACP, Professor, Ransom Horne, Jr. Professor for Cancer Research, Department of Genitourinary Medical Oncology, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

About Calithera

Calithera Biosciences is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company pioneering the discovery and development of targeted therapies that disrupt cellular metabolic pathways to preferentially block tumor cells and enhance immune-cell activity. Driven by a commitment to rigorous science and a passion for improving the lives of people impacted by cancer and other life-threatening diseases, Calithera is advancing a pipeline of first-in-clinic, oral therapeutics to meaningfully expand treatment options available to patients. Calithera is headquartered in South San Francisco, California. For more information about Calithera, please visit www.calithera.com.

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