DelMar Pharmaceuticals Announces Abstract Presentations for the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting in April 2017

VANCOUVER, British Columbia and MENLO PARK, Calif., March 28, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- DelMar Pharmaceuticals (Nasdaq: DMPI) ("DelMar" and the "Company"), a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of new cancer therapies, today announced that it will present three abstracts at the American Association of Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting. The abstracts are based on research conducted with DelMar's lead anti-cancer product candidate, VAL-083 (dianhydrogalactitol), a "first-in-class" small-molecule DNA-targeting agent. The AACR Annual Meeting will be held April 1-5, 2017 in Washington, D.C.

Details of the poster presentations by DelMar and/or its collaborators are as follows:

**Abstract #1429** - DNA damage response to dianhydrogalactitol (VAL-083) in p53-deficient non-small cell lung cancer cells  
**Section:** Genomic Instability and Cancer Therapy  
**Date and Time:** Monday, April 3, 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Abstract #2483** - Molecular mechanisms of dianhydrogalactitol (VAL-083) in overcoming chemoresistance in glioblastoma  
**Section:** Homologous Recombination and DNA Double-Strand Break Repair  
**Date and Time:** Monday, April 3, 2017, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Abstract CT#054** - Phase II study of dianhydrogalactitol in patients with MGMT-unmethylated bevacizumab-naive recurrent glioblastoma  
**Section:** Phase III Clinical Trials and Phase II/III Clinical Trials in Progress  
**Date and Time:** Monday, April 3, 2017, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

The Company's first two abstracts have been published and can be viewed on the AACR Annual Meeting website.

**About VAL-083**
VAL-083 is a "first-in-class," small-molecule DNA-targeting agent that demonstrated clinical activity against a range of cancers including GBM in historical clinical trials sponsored by the U.S. National Cancer Institute. DelMar has demonstrated that VAL-083's anti-tumor activity against GBM is unaffected by the expression of MGMT in vitro. Further details can be found at [www.delmarpharma.com/scientific-publications.html](http://www.delmarpharma.com/scientific-publications.html).
VAL-083 has received an orphan drug designation in Europe for the treatment of malignant gliomas, and the U.S. FDA Office of Orphan Products has granted an orphan designation to VAL-083 for the treatment of glioma, medulloblastoma and ovarian cancer.

DelMar has also announced plans to advance VAL-083 into a pivotal randomized multi-center Phase 3 clinical trial for the treatment of bevacizumab-failed GBM. A separate Phase 2 trial for MGMT-unmethylated recurrent GBM is currently open for enrollment at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and an international trial for newly diagnosed MGMT-unmethylated GBM is expected to commence enrollment upon receipt of required government approval.

DelMar believes that data from its clinical trials, if successful, will form the basis of a new treatment paradigm for the vast majority of GBM patients whose tumors exhibit features that make them unlikely to respond to currently available therapies.

About Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM)
GBM is the most common as well as the most lethal form of brain cancer. Approximately 15,000 new cases of GBM are expected to be diagnosed in the United States during 2017. GBM progresses quickly and patients deteriorate rapidly. Common symptoms include headaches, seizures, nausea, weakness, paralysis and personality or cognitive changes such as loss of speech or difficulty in thinking clearly. The majority of GBM patients do not survive for more than two years following diagnosis, and the median survival in newly diagnosed patients with best available treatments is less than 15 months.

About DelMar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
DelMar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. was founded to develop and commercialize new cancer therapies in indications where patients are failing or have become intolerable to modern targeted or biologic treatments. DelMar's VAL-083 is currently undergoing clinical trials in the U.S. as a potential new therapy for GBM. VAL-083 has been extensively studied by the U.S. National Cancer Institutes, and is currently approved for the treatment of chronic myelogenous leukemia and lung cancer in China. Published pre-clinical and clinical data suggest that VAL-083 may be active against a range of tumor types via a novel mechanism of action that could provide improved treatment options for patients.

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