Abeona Therapeutics Announces Upcoming Presentations at the 14th Annual WORLDSymposium

NEW YORK and CLEVELAND, Feb. 02, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Abeona Therapeutics Inc. (NASDAQ:ABEO), a leading clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing novel cell and gene therapies for life-threatening rare genetic diseases, today announced upcoming oral and poster presentations at the 14th Annual WORLDSymposium™ Meeting being held in San Diego, CA, February 5 - 9, 2018.

Platform Presentations:

A phase 1/2 clinical trial of systemic gene transfer of scAAV9.U1a.HSGSH for MPS IIIA: safety, tolerability, and preliminary evidence of biopotency
Presenter: Kevin Flanigan, M.D. – Principal Investigator and Director, Center for Gene Therapy and Neuromuscular Disorders, Nationwide Children’s Hospital, Columbus, OH
Date: Thursday, February 8, 2018
Time: 11:00 AM PST

Identification of novel AAV capsids for treatment of lysosomal disorders
Presenter: Daphne Chen, Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
Date: Tuesday, February 6, 2018
Time: 4:00 PM PST

Poster Presentations:

Poster 67: AAV vector comparability across mammalian and insect cell production platforms for treatment of lysosomal diseases
Presenter: Adam S. Davis, Ph.D. – Director of Manufacturing at Abeona Therapeutics
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
Time: 4:30 PM PST

Poster 185: Intravenous administration of CLN3 gene therapy for juvenile neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis
Presenter: Scott Kerns – Product Development Scientist at Abeona Therapeutics
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
Time: 4:30 PM PST

Poster 329: Combination dosing of CLN1 gene therapy extends lifespan in a mouse model of infantile neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis
Presenter: Alejandra Rozenberg, Ph.D. – Gene Therapy Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
Time: 4:30 PM PST

About WORLDSymposium™: WORLDSymposium is an annual research conference dedicated to lysosomal diseases. W.O.R.L.D. is an acronym that stands for We’re Organizing Research on Lysosomal Diseases. Since its inception as a small group of passionate researchers in 2002, WORLDSymposium has grown to an international research conference that attracts over 1600 participants from more than 50 countries around the globe.

About Abeona: Abeona Therapeutics Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing cell and gene therapies for life-threatening rare genetic diseases. Abeona’s lead programs include EB-101 (gene-corrected skin grafts) for recessive dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa (RDEB), ABO-102 (AAV-SGSH), an adeno-associated virus (AAV) based gene therapy for Sanfilippo syndrome type A (MPS IIIA) and ABO-101 (AAV-NAGLU), an adeno-associated virus (AAV) based gene therapy for Sanfilippo syndrome type B (MPS IIIB). Abeona is also developing ABO-202 (AAV-CLN1) gene therapy for juvenile Batten disease (JNCL), ABO-201 (AAV-CLN3) for treatment of infantile Batten disease (INCL), EB-201 for epidermolysis bullosa (EB), ABO-301 (AAV-FANCC) for Fanconi anemia (FA) disorder and ABO-302 using a novel CRISPR/Cas9-based gene editing approach to gene therapy for rare blood diseases. In addition, Abeona is developing a proprietary vector platform, AIM™, for next generation product
candidates. For more information, visit www.abeonatherapeutics.com.

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