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## **DelMar Pharmaceuticals Appoints Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. as Strategic Advisor**

VANCOUVER, British Columbia and MENLO PARK, Calif., Sept. 4, 2018 /PRNewswire/ - [DelMar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq: DMPI) ("DelMar" or the "Company"), a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of new cancer therapies, today announced the appointment of Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. to serve as its strategic advisor. In this capacity, the firm will work on behalf of DelMar to manage the exploration and evaluation of a wide range of strategic opportunities with the goal of facilitating shareholder value generation.

"We believe that seeking a strategic transaction gives us the best opportunity to maximize shareholder value," said Robert E. Hoffman, Chairman of the Board of Directors. "In addition, we continue to be dedicated to executing our ongoing Phase 2 trials for MGMT-unmethylated GBM patients at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas, and at Sun Yat-Sen University Cancer Center in Guangzhou, China."

While the Company is evaluating strategic opportunities, there can be no assurance that this strategic review will result in a transaction.

### ***About VAL-083***

VAL-083 (dianhydrogalactitol) is a "first-in-class," DNA-targeting agent that introduces interstrand DNA cross-links at the N<sup>7</sup>-position of guanine leading to DNA double-strand breaks and cancer cell death. VAL-083 has demonstrated clinical activity against a range of cancers including glioblastoma multiforme (GBM) and ovarian cancer in historical clinical trials sponsored by the U.S. National Cancer Institute (NCI). DelMar has demonstrated that VAL-083's anti-tumor activity is unaffected by common mechanisms of chemoresistance in vitro. Further details regarding these studies can be found at:

<http://www.delmarpharma.com/scientific-publications.html>

VAL-083 has been granted an orphan drug designation by the U.S. FDA Office of Orphan Products for the treatment of glioma, medulloblastoma and ovarian cancer, and in Europe for the treatment of malignant gliomas. VAL-083 has been granted fast-track status for the treatment of recurrent GBM by the U.S. FDA.

### ***About DelMar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.***

DelMar Pharmaceuticals is focused on the development and commercialization of new therapies for cancer patients who have limited or no treatment options. By focusing on

understanding tumor biology and mechanisms of treatment resistance, the Company identifies biomarkers to personalize new therapies in indications where patients are failing, or unable to tolerate, standard of care treatments.

The Company's current pipeline is based around VAL-083, a "first-in-class," small-molecule chemotherapeutic with a novel mechanism of action that has demonstrated clinical activity against a range of cancers including central nervous system, ovarian and other solid tumors (e.g. NSCLC, bladder cancer, head & neck) in U.S. clinical trials sponsored by the NCI. Based on DelMar's internal research programs and these prior NCI-sponsored clinical studies, the Company is conducting clinical trials to support the development and commercialization of VAL-083 across multiple oncology indications to solve significant unmet medical needs.

VAL-083 is also being studied in two collaborator-supported, biomarker-driven, Phase 2 clinical trials for MGMT-unmethylated GBM. Overcoming MGMT-mediated resistance represents a significant unmet medical need in the treatment of GBM. Further information on DelMar's clinical trials can be found on [clinicaltrials.gov](http://clinicaltrials.gov):

<https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/results?cond=&term=val-083&cntry1=&state1=&recrs>

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