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Rigel Announces Presentations at Two Investor Conferences

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Oct. 28 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Rigel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: RIGL) today announced that James M. Gower, chairman and chief executive officer, and Raul R. Rodriguez, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Rigel, will present at two separate investor conferences in November. Details of each conference are as follows:

Oppenheimer 20th Annual Healthcare Conference
Waldorf Astoria, New York City, NY
November 3, 2:10 p.m. EST
Speaker: Raul R. Rodriguez

Credit Suisse 18th Annual Healthcare Conference
Arizona Biltmore Hotel, Phoenix, AZ
November 11, 2:00 p.m. MST
Speaker: James M. Gower

Both presentations will be webcast. To access the live webcast or the subsequent archived recording, log on to www.rigel.com. Please connect to Rigel's website several minutes prior to the start of the live webcast to ensure adequate time for any software download that may be necessary.

About Rigel (www.rigel.com)

Rigel is a clinical-stage drug development company that discovers and develops novel, small-molecule drugs for the treatment of inflammatory/autoimmune diseases and metabolic diseases. Our pioneering research focuses on intracellular signaling pathways and related targets that are critical to disease mechanisms. Rigel's productivity has resulted in strategic collaborations with large pharmaceutical partners to develop and market our product candidates. Rigel has product development programs in inflammatory/autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, thrombocytopenia and asthma, as well as in cancer.

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