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Cerecor Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Results

-Significant Advancement in Pipeline and Regulatory Milestones

-Meets Increased 2018 Revenue Guidance

-Announces Net Revenue Guidance of \$20-22 Million for 2019

ROCKVILLE, MD / ACCESSWIRE / March 18, 2019 /Cerecor Inc. (NASDAQ: CERC), a biopharmaceutical company focused on becoming a leader in development and commercialization of treatments for rare and orphan diseases in pediatrics and neurology, today announced positive fourth quarter and full year results for 2018. Cerecor met increased 2018 guidance while hitting significant research, development and regulatory milestones.

"Strong performance against our corporate objectives continued into the fourth quarter of 2018," said Peter Greenleaf, Chief Executive Officer of Cerecor. "We are extremely pleased with our research, development and regulatory efforts as well as achieving numerous corporate milestones towards organizational transformation."

Recent Financial Highlights

- Met increased full-year 2018 revenue guidance with \$18.3 million of net revenue
- Net Sales Q4 quarter growth of +22% *
- New Rx Q4 quarter growth of +19.4% *
- Strengthened the balance sheet with a \$5.7 million dollar warrant exercise in December of 2018, followed by a common stock offering of \$10 million dollars in March of 2019

Recent Corporate Highlights

- FDA Granted Rare Pediatric Disease Designation for CERC-801 for patients with Inborn Error of Metabolism - Oct 2018
- FDA submission of three orphan drug designation requests for substrate replacement therapies to treat Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation - Oct 2018
- FDA Accepts IND Application for CERC-801 for the treatment of PGM1 Deficiency - Jan 2019
- FDA Grants Cerecor's Three Substrate Replacement Therapies Orphan Drug Designation - Jan 2019
- U.S. patent granted for CERC-301; extending patent to 2035 - Feb 2019

*Due to the timing of the Zylera and Avadel acquisitions, quarter to quarter prior year

growth comparisons were not used as an indicator of past performance. For Q1 2019 and going forward, quarter to quarter prior year growth comparisons will be utilized as a performance indicator.

Fourth Quarter 2018 Financial Results and Full Year 2018 Highlights

Cerecor met its full-year 2018 net revenue guidance with annual net revenues of \$18.3 million due to continued sales growth from its pediatric products. Cerecor's balance sheet was also strengthened with a warrant exercise, resulting in \$5.7 million dollars of additional cash in December, leading to a year-end cash balance of \$10.6 million, representing an \$8.2 million increase in cash as compared to the prior year.

Net product revenues increased to \$4.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2018 as compared to \$1.9 million for the fourth quarter of 2017. This increase was primarily due to the Company's acquisition of TRx in November 2017 and Avadel pediatric products in February 2018. Total net revenues for the fourth quarter were \$5.0 million compared to \$2.2 million for the prior year.

Total operating expenses increased \$3.9 million to \$10.5 million for the fourth quarter of 2018 as compared to the same period in 2017. This increase was mainly driven by increases to the cost of products sold and sales and marketing expenses, which were directly related to the acquisitions of TRx and the Avadel pediatric products as well as our expansion of our U.S. sales organization.

Net loss for the fourth quarter was \$5.6 million as compared to the prior year quarter net loss of \$3.1 million. The increase in net loss for the quarter was mainly driven by an increase in operating expenses.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(unaudited)

(in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Twelve Months Ended	
	December	December	December	December
	31, 2018	31, 2017	31, 2018 (a)	31, 2017 (a)
Revenues				
Product revenue, net	\$ 4,825	\$ 1,910	\$ 17,871	\$ 1,910
Sales force revenue	159	278	456	278
License and other revenue	-	-	-	25,000
Grant revenue	-	45	-	625
Total revenues, net	<u>4,984</u>	<u>2,233</u>	<u>18,327</u>	<u>27,813</u>
Operating expenses:				
Cost of product sales	2,080	636	7,478	636
Research and development	2,006	1,961	5,787	4,373

Acquired in-process research and development	-	-	18,724	-
General and administrative	2,843	3,020	10,677	7,941
Sales and marketing	2,633	569	8,523	570
Amortization expense	1,217	404	4,532	403
Impairment of intangible assets	-	-	1,862	-
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	(302)	-	58	-
Total operating expenses	<u>10,477</u>	<u>6,590</u>	<u>57,641</u>	<u>13,923</u>
(Loss) income from operations	(5,493)	(4,357)	(39,314)	13,890
Other expense:				
Change in fair value of warrant liability and unit purchase option liability	47	(28)	25	(30)
Other (expense) income, net	(5)	-	14	-
Interest (expense) income, net	(234)	31	(812)	(24)
Total other (expense) income, net	<u>(192)</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>(773)</u>	<u>(54)</u>
Net (loss) income before taxes	(5,685)	(4,354)	(40,087)	13,836
Income tax (benefit) expense	(125)	(1,263)	(34)	1,966
Net (loss) income	<u>\$ (5,560)</u>	<u>\$ (3,091)</u>	<u>\$ (40,053)</u>	<u>\$ 11,870</u>
Net (loss) income attributable to common shareholders	<u>\$ (7,217)</u>	<u>\$ (3,091)</u>	<u>\$ (41,710)</u>	<u>\$ 7,772</u>
Net (loss) income per share of common stock, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.18)</u>	<u>\$ (0.11)</u>	<u>\$ (1.20)</u>	<u>\$ 0.42</u>
Weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding, basic	<u>40,780,564</u>	<u>28,541,403</u>	<u>34,773,613</u>	<u>18,410,005</u>
Weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding, diluted	<u>40,780,564</u>	<u>28,541,403</u>	<u>34,773,613</u>	<u>18,754,799</u>

(a) The condensed consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 have been derived from the audited financial statements but do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

<i>(in thousands)</i>	December 31, 2018 (a)	December 31, 2017 (a)
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,646	\$ 2,472
Accounts receivable, net	3,157	2,935
Other receivables	5,469	427
Escrowed cash receivable	-	3,753
Inventory, net	1,111	382
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,530	703
Restricted cash, current portion	19	2
Total current assets	<u>21,932</u>	<u>10,674</u>
Property and equipment, net	587	45
Intangibles assets, net	31,239	17,665
Goodwill	16,411	14,292
Restricted cash, net of current portion	82	131
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 70,251</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 42,807</u></u>
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,446	\$ 1,299
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	19,731	7,531
Income taxes payable	2,032	2,259
Long-term debt, current portion	1,050	-
Contingent consideration, current portion	1,957	-
Total current liabilities	<u>26,216</u>	<u>11,089</u>
Long-term debt, net of current portion	14,328	-
Contingent consideration, net of current portion	7,094	2,577
Deferred tax liability, net	69	7
License obligations	1,250	1,250
Other long-term liabilities	386	24
Total liabilities	<u>49,343</u>	<u>14,947</u>
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock-\$0.001 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2018 and 2017; 40,804,189 and 31,266,989 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively	41	31

Preferred Stock-\$0.001 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2018 and 2017; 2,857,143 and zero shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively	3	-
Additional paid-in capital	119,082	83,338
Contingently issuable shares	-	2,656
Accumulated deficit	<u>(98,218)</u>	<u>(58,165)</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>20,908</u>	<u>27,860</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 70,251</u>	<u>\$ 42,807</u>

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Outlook

The Company expects full-year 2019 net revenue in a range of \$20 to \$22 million. These estimates are forward-looking statements that reflect management's current expectations for Cerecor's 2019 performance. Actual results may vary materially, whether as a result of market conditions, or other factors, including those described in the "Risk Factors" sections of our SEC filings.

About Cerecor

Cerecor is a biopharmaceutical company focused on becoming a leader in the development of orphan neurologic and pediatric therapies that make a difference in the lives of patients. The Company's pipeline is led by CERC-301, which Cerecor is currently exploring as a novel treatment for neurogenic orthostatic hypotension. Cerecor has six additional programs in development, including CERC-406 for Parkinson's Disease, CERC-611 for epilepsy, CERC-801, CERC-802, and CERC 803 for Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation and CERC-913 for DGUOK Deficiency a mitochondrial DNA Depletion Syndrome. The Company's R&D efforts are supported by revenue from its franchise of commercial medications led by Poly-Vi-Flor® and Tri-Vi-Flor® (multivitamin and fluoride supplement tablet, chewable and suspension/drops). In February 2018, the Company added to its marketed product portfolio by acquiring Karbinal™ ER, AcipHex® Sprinkle™, Cefaclor for Oral Suspension, and Flexichamber™.

For more information about Cerecor, please visit www.cerecor.com.

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