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# **Aethlon Announces Appointment of Timothy Rodell as Interim Chief Executive Officer**

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 13, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Aethlon Medical, Inc. (Nasdaq: AEMD), a therapeutic technology company focused on unmet needs in global health, announced today the appointment of Timothy C. Rodell, M.D., FCCP, as Interim Chief Executive Officer, effective as of December 10, 2018. Dr. Rodell joins Aethlon from Globelimmune, Inc. where he was President, and Chief Executive Officer and a member of their board of directors prior to the shareholder majority acquisition of the company. Dr. Rodell brings an impressive record of results in global, strategic and operational roles to Aethlon. Dr. Rodell succeeds James Joyce, who will serve as a consultant to Aethlon during the transition.

"We are delighted to welcome Tim to Aethlon," said Charles Fisher, Jr., M.D., Chairman of Aethlon's Board of Directors. "Tim's depth and breadth of experience in financing, structuring corporate deals, clinical development and regulatory strategy, both in the U.S. and internationally, will be of great value as we prepare Aethlon for the next phase of development."

"I am both honored and thrilled to join Aethlon at this time," said Dr. Rodell. "I believe the Aethlon Hemopurifier has great potential for treating life-threatening viral infections and potentially cancer. I look forward to working with the team at Aethlon and its collaborators to continue to advance the science and in an effort to bring important treatments to patients and create value for shareholders."

In his most recent role at Globelimmune, Dr. Rodell led the company through the advancement of five products from the bench into human clinical trials, multiple financings, including an IPO and two major corporate alliances. Prior to Globelimmune, Dr. Rodell was President and Chief Executive Officer at RxKinetix, Inc. and also held senior management positions at OXIS International, Inc. and Cortech, Inc. Dr. Rodell holds an M.D. from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, is board certified in Internal Medicine and Pulmonary Medicine and is a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.

Dr. Fisher commented, "On behalf of the Board of Directors, I want to thank Jim Joyce for his leadership, commitment and accomplishments as Chief Executive Officer. We wish him continued success in his future endeavors."

## **About Aethlon Medical, Inc.**

Aethlon Medical is focused on addressing unmet needs in global health. The Aethlon Hemopurifier® is a clinical-stage immunotherapeutic device designed to combat cancer and life-threatening viral infections. In cancer, the Hemopurifier depletes the presence of

circulating tumor-derived exosomes that promote immune suppression, seed the spread of metastasis and inhibit the benefit of leading cancer therapies. The Hemopurifier is also an FDA designated "Breakthrough Device" related to the treatment of life-threatening viruses that are not addressed with approved therapies. Additionally, Aethlon owns 80% of Exosome Sciences, Inc., which is focused on the discovery of exosomal biomarkers to diagnose and monitor cancer and neurological disease progression. Additional information can be found online at [www.AethlonMedical.com](http://www.AethlonMedical.com) and [www.ExosomeSciences.com](http://www.ExosomeSciences.com). You can also connect with us on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook.

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