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Abeona Announces Rare Disease Gene Therapy Symposium with the New York Academy of Sciences

Company CEO to Co-Chair Symposium being held on April 11th in NYC

NEW YORK and CLEVELAND, April 05, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Abeona Therapeutics Inc. (NASDAQ:ABEO), a leading clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing novel gene therapies for life-threatening rare genetic diseases, is pleased to announce a Gene Therapy for Rare Diseases Symposium with the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS) and the Biochemical Pharmacology Discussion Group in New York City on April 11th, 2017.

"We are pleased to co-host this unique gene therapy symposium that highlights the importance of outcome measurements in gene therapy trial design, preclinical strategies, new clinical redosing paradigms and combination approaches for treating rare diseases," stated Timothy J. Miller, PhD, President & CEO of Abeona Therapeutics.

Website & Webinar Link: <http://www.nyas.org/RareDiseases>

About New York Academy of Sciences: The New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS) is an independent, not-for-profit organization that since 1817 has been committed to advancing science, technology, and society worldwide. With 25,000 members around the world, the Academy is creating a global community of science for the benefit of humanity. The Academy's core mission is to advance scientific knowledge, positively impact the major global challenges of society with science-based solutions, and increase the number of scientifically informed individuals in society at large. Please visit us online at www.nyas.org.

About the Biochemical Pharmacology Discussion Group: The Biochemical Pharmacology Discussion Group represents a diverse group of scientists from pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies and university and medical research centers interested in biochemistry, molecular biology, biomedical research, and related areas. The group brings together diverse institutions and communities, industrial and academic, to share new and relevant information at the frontiers of research and development. The group also serves as the [Biochemical Topical Group for the American Chemical Society's New York Chapter](#).

About Abeona: Abeona Therapeutics Inc. is a leading clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing gene therapies for life-threatening rare genetic diseases. Abeona's lead programs include ABO-102 (AAV-SGSH) and ABO-101 (AAV-NAGLU), adeno-associated virus (AAV) based gene therapies for Sanfilippo syndrome (MPS IIIA and IIIB, respectively). Abeona is also developing EB-101 (gene-corrected skin grafts) for recessive

dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa (RDEB), EB-201 for epidermolysis bullosa (EB), ABO-201 (AAV-CLN3) gene therapy for juvenile Batten disease (JNCL), ABO-202 (AAV-CLN1) gene therapy for treatment of infantile Batten disease (INCL), and 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 has a plasma-based protein therapy pipeline, including SDF Alpha™ (alpha-1 protease inhibitor) for inherited COPD, using its proprietary SDF™ (Salt Diafiltration) ethanol-free process. For more information, visit www.abeonatherapeutics.com.

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