

Kane Biotech Announces First Quarter 2020 Financial Results

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, May 21, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kane Biotech Inc. (TSX-V:KNE) (the "Company" or "Kane Biotech"), a biotechnology company engaged in the research, development and commercialization of technologies and products that prevent and remove microbial biofilms, today announced its first quarter 2020 financial results.

Recent Corporate Highlights:

- On February 20, 2020, the Kane Biotech appointed renowned Canadian veterinarian,
 Dr. Jean Gauvin, as Chief Veterinary Officer.
- On February 24, 2020, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement offering, issuing a total of 24,999,999 Units for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3.5 million.
- On February 25, 2020, Kane Biotech signed its first U.S. distribution agreement with King Wholesale Inc.
- On February 26, 2020, the Company launched its silkstemTM anti-itch shampoo at the Global Pet Expo.
- On May 12, 2020, the Company announced positive results from a consumer product test evaluating the efficacy of its shampoo on dermatitis and dandruff. The shampoo consists of coactiv+TM and contains ingredients approved as safe for human use.
- On May 19, 2020, Kane Biotech announced that, effective May 19, 2020, shares of the Company have been reapproved for and will recommence trading under the ticker symbol "KNBIF" on the OTCQB Venture Market, operated by OTC Markets Group.

"This quarter, we completed the initial launch of our silkstemTM anti-itch pet shampoo, as well as received positive feedback from a consumer product test evaluating our anti-biofilm human shampoo, such that we are now planning to launch these products in the second and third quarters of this year, respectively," said Marc Edwards, President and Chief Executive Officer of Kane Biotech. "In our Human Health business, we continue to evaluate a number of regulatory pathways for DispersinB®, with the goal of identifying a pathway that is most attractive for Kane Biotech, as well as for future potential partners."

First Quarter 2020 Financial Highlights

Total revenues for the first quarter ended March 31, 2020 were \$456,139, with \$64,680 from license and royalty revenues and \$391,459 from product and services revenues. Total

revenues decreased 27% compared to \$621,256 for the same period in 2019. The decrease in first quarter 2020 revenues is primarily due to a 31% decline in product and service revenues, as the Company delivered its largest purchase order for bluestemTM products in its history to a large North American pet retailer in the first quarter of 2019. This was partially offset by a \$13,919, or 41% increase in royalty payments from Dechra Veterinary Products, as it continues to roll out its expanded VetradentTM product line to its North American veterinarian customer base.

Gross profit for the first quarter of 2020 was \$179,416, a decrease of \$31,432 compared to \$210,848 for the quarter ended March 31, 2019. The decrease in gross profit is primarily related to lower product and services revenues.

Total operating expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2020 were \$1,624,152, an increase of 96% compared to \$830,123 for the same period in 2019. The increase is primarily attributable to increases in staff and other compensation-related expenses, higher investor relations-related expenses and higher contract research costs related to the Company's DispersinB® human wound care program.

Loss for the first quarter of 2020 was (\$1,363,836), an increase of 107% compared to (\$657,393) for the quarter ended March 31, 2019.

Detailed financial information about Kane Biotech can be found in its March 31, 2020 Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis on SEDAR and on the Company's website.

Conference Call Details

Kane Biotech is pleased to invite all interested parties to participate in a conference call today, May 21, 2020, at 4:30pm E.T. during which time the results will be discussed.

Live Call: 1-877-268-9044 (Canada and the United States)

1-706-679-2995 (International)

Replay: 1-404-537-3406

Conference ID: 4697848

A live and archived audio webcast of the conference call will also be available on the investor relations page of Kane Biotech's corporate website at www.kanebiotech.com.

About Kane Biotech Inc.

Kane Biotech is a biotechnology company engaged in the research, development and commercialization of technologies and products that prevent and remove microbial biofilms. The Company has a portfolio of biotechnologies, intellectual property (51 patents and patents pending, trade secrets and trademarks) and products developed by the Company's own biofilm research expertise and acquired from leading research institutions. StrixNB™, DispersinB®, Aledex®, bluestem™, silkstem™, coactiv+™ and Kane® are trademarks of Kane Biotech Inc. The Company is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "KNE."

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COVID-19 Pandemic

The outbreak of COVID-19, the disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 strain of coronavirus, was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020 and has resulted in a widespread health crisis that has affected economies and financial markets around the world, resulting in an economic downturn. The effects of this pandemic on the Company may include decreased customer demand, interruptions to supply chains, manufacturing activities and research and development programs and increased government regulations or interventions. The duration and impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is unknown at this time and it is not possible to reliably estimate the length and severity of these developments nor the impact of these developments on the financial results and condition of the Company in future periods.

KANE BIOTECH INC. Selected Financial Results

Statement of Comprehensive Loss	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2020		2019	
Total Revenue Gross Profit	\$	456,139 179,416	\$	621,256 210,848
Operating expenses General and administration Research Total operating expenses		1,018,745 605,407 1,624,152		595,685 234,438 830,123
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period	<u>\$</u>	(1,363,836)	\$	(657,393)
Basic and diluted loss per share for the period	<u>\$</u>	(0.01)	\$	(0.01)
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic and diluted		104,411,111		80,113,536
Statement of Financial Position	•		ecember 31, 2019	
Cash and cash equivalents Other current assets Non-current assets	\$	426,334 1,250,426 860,467	\$	834,128 1,075,297 846,267
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	2,537,227	\$	2,755,692
Current liabilities Non-current liabilities Shareholder' equity	\$	1,248,945 698,095 590,187	\$	1,341,653 577,232 836,807
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity	\$	2,537,227	\$	2,755,692



Source: Kane Biotech Inc.