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Adaptimmune Announces Pricing of Initial Public Offering

OXFORD, United Kingdom and PHILADELPHIA, May 6, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Adaptimmune Therapeutics plc (Nasdaq:ADAP) today announced the pricing of its initial public offering of 11,250,000 American Depositary Shares (ADSs) at a price to the public of \$17.00 per ADS. In addition, the underwriters have been granted a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 1,687,500 ADSs. The ADSs are expected to begin trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ADAP" on May 6, 2015. The offering is expected to close on May 11, 2015, subject to customary closing conditions. Adaptimmune estimates net proceeds from the offering will be approximately \$175.7 million.

BofA Merrill Lynch, Cowen and Company and Leerink Partners LLC are acting as joint book-running managers and Guggenheim Securities is acting as lead manager for the offering.

A registration statement relating to these securities was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on May 5, 2015.

This offering is made only by means of a written prospectus forming part of the effective registration statement. A copy of the final prospectus related to the offering will be filed with the SEC and may be obtained at no cost, when available, by visiting EDGAR on the SEC's website (www.sec.gov), or from: BofA Merrill Lynch, 222 Broadway, New York, NY 10038, Attn: Prospectus Department, or by email at dq.prospectus_requests@baml.com; Cowen and Company, LLC, c/o Broadridge Financial Services, Attention: Prospectus Department, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, Telephone: 631-274-2806, Fax: 631-254-7140; or Leerink Partners LLC, Attention: Syndicate Department, One Federal Street, 37th Floor, Boston, MA 02110, by email at syndicate@leerink.com, or by phone at (800) 808-7525 ext. 6142.

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About Adaptimmune

Adaptimmune is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on novel cancer immunotherapy products based on its T-cell receptor platform. Established in 2008, the company aims to utilize the body's own machinery – the T cell – to target and destroy cancer cells by using engineered, increased affinity T cell receptors (TCRs) as a means of strengthening natural patient T cell responses. Adaptimmune's lead program is an affinity enhanced TCR therapeutic targeting the NY-ESO cancer antigen. Its NY-ESO TCR therapeutic candidate has demonstrated signs of efficacy and tolerability in Phase 1/2 trials in solid tumors and in hematologic cancer types. In June 2014, Adaptimmune announced that it had entered into a strategic collaboration and licensing agreement with GlaxoSmithKline for the development and commercialization of the NY-ESO TCR program. The Company currently has over 100 employees.

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