



## **Corcept Therapeutics Announces Allowance of Additional Patent Covering the Use of Korlym to Treat Patients With Cushing's Syndrome**

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MENLO PARK, Calif., Aug. 28, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated (NASDAQ: CORT) announced today that the United States Patent and Trademark Office has issued a Notice of Allowance for a patent covering the administration of Korlym® with food. The patent will expire in November 2032.

"This patent covers an important finding of our research – that for optimal effect, Korlym must be taken with food," said Joseph K. Belanoff, MD, Corcept's Chief Executive Officer. "Korlym's label instructs doctors that 'Korlym must always be taken with a meal.'"

Upon issuance, Corcept plans to list the patent, entitled "Optimizing Mifepristone Absorption" (U.S. Pat. App. 13/677,465), in the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (the "Orange Book"). Korlym is currently protected by ten patents listed in the Orange Book.

### **Hypercortisolism**

Hypercortisolism, often referred to as Cushing's syndrome, is caused by excessive activity of the hormone cortisol. Endogenous Cushing's syndrome is an orphan disease that most often affects adults aged 20-50. In the United States, an estimated 20,000 patients have Cushing's syndrome, with about 3,000 new patients diagnosed each year. Symptoms vary, but most people with Cushing's syndrome experience one or more of the following manifestations: high blood sugar, diabetes, high blood pressure, upper-body obesity, rounded face, increased fat around the neck, thinning arms and legs, severe fatigue and weak muscles. Irritability, anxiety, cognitive disturbances and depression are also common. Hypercortisolism can affect every organ system in the body and can be lethal if not treated effectively.

### **About Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated**

Corcept is a commercial-stage company engaged in the discovery and development of drugs that treat severe metabolic, oncologic and psychiatric disorders by modulating the effects of the stress hormone cortisol. Korlym® (mifepristone) was the first treatment approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for patients with Cushing's syndrome. Corcept has discovered a large portfolio of proprietary compounds, including relacorilant, exicorilant and miricorilant, that selectively modulate the effects of cortisol but not progesterone. Corcept owns extensive United States and foreign intellectual property covering the composition of its selective cortisol modulators and the use of cortisol modulators, including mifepristone, to treat a variety of serious disorders.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements in this press release, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements, which are based on Corcept's current plans and expectations and are subject to risks and uncertainties that might cause actual results to differ materially from those such statements express or imply. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, Corcept's ability to generate sufficient revenue to fund its commercial operations and development programs; the availability of competing treatments, including generic versions of Korlym; Corcept's ability to obtain acceptable prices or adequate insurance coverage and reimbursement for Korlym; and risks related to the development of Corcept's product candidates, including regulatory approvals, mandates, oversight and other requirements. These and other risks are set forth in Corcept's SEC filings, which are available at Corcept's website and the SEC's website. In this press release, forward-looking statements include those concerning Corcept's plans to list the patent "Optimizing Mifepristone Absorption" in the Orange Book; Korlym's current protection by ten patents listed in the Orange Book; and the scope and protective power of Corcept's intellectual property. Corcept disclaims any intention or duty to update forward-looking statements made in this press release.

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