

Aligos Therapeutics Initiates Dosing with its Small Interfering RNA (siRNA) Drug Candidate, ALG-125755, in Subjects with Chronic Hepatitis B (CHB)

Single and multiple ascending doses to be evaluated in CHB subjects throughout 2023

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 14, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aligos Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ALGS), a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing novel therapeutics to address unmet medical needs in viral and liver diseases, reported today that dosing with ALG-125755, a small interfering RNA (siRNA) targeting the production of hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg), was initiated in subjects with chronic hepatitis B (CHB) in Study ALG-125755-501 (NCT05561530).

"siRNA drugs targeting HBsAg production have generally been well tolerated and have consistently lowered HBsAg levels, demonstrating the potential to become a cornerstone therapy to achieve functional cure in CHB," said Lawrence Blatt, Ph.D., MBA, CEO and Chairman of the Board at Aligos. "The team has made excellent progress over the past two months advancing ALG-125755 through the single ascending dose (SAD) portion of the study in healthy volunteers, where doses up to 100 mg have been evaluated. This has enabled us to advance into CHB subjects ahead of schedule. We plan to evaluate additional CHB cohorts receiving single or multiple doses of ALG-125755 throughout the coming year to identify a dose regimen to advance into combination studies. Additionally, we plan to share available study data in healthy volunteers and CHB subjects at scientific conferences throughout 2023."

About Aligos

Aligos Therapeutics, Inc. is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company that was founded in 2018 with the mission to become a world leader in the treatment of viral infections and liver diseases. Aligos is focused on the discovery and development of targeted antiviral therapies for chronic hepatitis B (CHB) and coronaviruses as well as leveraging its expertise in liver diseases to create targeted therapeutics for nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). Aligos' strategy is to harness the deep expertise and decades of drug development experience its team has in liver disease, particularly viral hepatitis, to rapidly advance its pipeline of potentially best-in-class molecules.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Any statements in this press release that are not historical facts may be considered "forward-looking statements," including without limitation, statements regarding the potential of siRNA drugs targeting HBsAg production to become a cornerstone therapy to achieve functional cure in CHB; Aligos' plan to evaluate additional CHB cohorts receiving single or multiple doses of ALG-125755 throughout the coming year to identify a dose regimen to advance into combination studies; and Aligos' plan to share available study data in healthy volunteers and CHB subjects at scientific conferences throughout 2023. Forward-looking statements are typically, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "would," "believe," "intend," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," and other similar terminology indicating future results. Such forward looking statements are subject to substantial risks and uncertainties that could cause our development programs, future results, performance, or achievements to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include without limitation risks and uncertainties inherent in the drug development process, including Aligos' clinical-stage of development, the process of designing and conducting clinical trials, the regulatory approval processes, the timing of regulatory filings, the challenges associated with manufacturing drug products, Aligos' ability to successfully establish, protect and defend its intellectual property, other matters that could affect the sufficiency of Aligos' capital resources to fund operations, reliance on third parties for manufacturing and development efforts, changes in the competitive landscape and the effects on our business of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine. For a further description of the risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, as well as risks relating to the business of Aligos in general, see Aligos' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 2, 2022 and its future periodic reports to be filed or submitted with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Except as required by law, Aligos undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect new information, events or circumstances, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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