



ERYTECH to Present Preclinical and Clinical Data on Use of Eryaspase in ALL and AML at EHA 2018

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LYON, France, June 15, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **ERYTECH Pharma**(Euronext:ERYP) (Nasdaq:ERYP), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing innovative therapies by encapsulating therapeutic drug substances inside red blood cells, today announced that it will present preclinical data on the enzymatic activity of eryaspase (GRASPA®) for the treatment of relapsed acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) and results of its Phase 2b clinical trial evaluating eryaspase (GRASPA®) for the treatment of acute myeloid leukemia (AML) at the European Hematology Association (EHA) Congress, being held June 14-17, 2018 in Stockholm, Sweden.

The preclinical eryaspase data will be presented during Poster Session I by Dr. Karine Aguera, ERYTECH's R&D Project Leader.

Poster Session: Preclinical Demonstration of Intracellular Activity of Asparaginase Encapsulated in Red Blood Cells Both in the Absence and in the Presence of Neutralizing Anti-Asparaginase Antibodies

Abstract #:	PF160
Lead Author:	Karine Aguera
Poster Session:	Poster Session I
Location:	Poster Area
Date:	Friday, June 15, 2018
Time:	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (CEST)

In these *in vivo* and *in vitro* preclinical studies, eryaspase was effective in reducing L-asparagine (ASN) levels, both in the presence and absence of neutralizing anti-asparaginase antibodies (nAbs). The preclinical findings, confirmed in additional *in vitro* experiments with eryaspase, support the theory that intra-cellular asparaginase activity may be responsible for the sustained effect on ASN reduction and can provide a more effective approach for the delivery of the L-asparaginase enzyme in patients with ALL, particularly in patients who have developed nAbs.

The AML Phase 2b trial data will be presented during Poster Session II by Dr. Mathilde Hunault of Centre Hospitalier Universitaire (CHU) d'Angers, France.

Poster Session: A Phase 2b of Eryaspase in Combination with Low-Dose Cytarabine as First-Line Therapy in Elderly Patients with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (ENFORCE – NCT01810705)

Abstract #:	PS984
Lead Author:	Xavier Thomas
Poster Session:	Poster Session II
Location:	Poster Area
Date:	Saturday, June 16, 2018
Time:	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (CEST)

The Phase 2b trial to evaluate the efficacy of eryaspase in elderly AML patients did not meet its primary endpoint to improve overall survival in this difficult-to-treat patient population. Patient selection is likely the most important factor, with enrolled patients remaining only briefly on treatment and unable to achieve a potential drug effect. Individualized risk stratification based on multi-parameter assessment tools and co-morbidity burden should be considered for older adults with AML participating in clinical trials.

ERYTECH also has an abstract on the incidence of Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) in 125 ALL patients, treated in five studies.

Abstract: Venous Thromboembolism in Patients with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) Treated with Eryaspase (L-Asparaginase Encapsulated in Red Blood Cells)

Abstract #:	PB1627
Lead Author:	Yves Bertrand
Location:	EHA Website Abstracts

The findings of this study show that the risk of VTE with eryaspase treatment in ALL patients was low and observed primarily in adults. The low incidence of these events may be related to decreased incidence of impaired coagulation parameters.

All of the abstracts are currently available on the [EHA website](#). The posters will be accessible on [ERYTECH's website](#) at the start of each poster session.

About ERYTECH: www.erytech.com

Founded in Lyon, France in 2004, ERYTECH is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing innovative therapies for rare forms of cancer and orphan diseases. Leveraging its proprietary ERYCAPS platform, which uses a novel technology to encapsulate therapeutic drug substances inside red blood cells, ERYTECH has developed a pipeline of product candidates targeting markets with high unmet medical needs. ERYTECH's initial focus is on the development of products that target the altered amino acid metabolism of cancer cells, depriving them of nutrients necessary for their survival.

The Company's lead product, eryaspase, also known under the trade name GRASPA®, consists of an enzyme, L-asparaginase, encapsulated inside

donor-derived red blood cells. L-asparaginase depletes asparagine, a naturally occurring amino acid essential for the survival and proliferation of cancer cells. L-asparaginase has been a standard component of multi-agent chemotherapy for the treatment of pediatric acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), but side effects limit treatment compliance, especially in adults and patients with weak performance status.

Eryaspase demonstrated positive efficacy and safety results in various clinical trials in ALL, including in a Phase 2 study in patients over 55 years of age and in a Phase 2/3 trial in relapsed or refractory ALL patients, as well as in pancreatic cancer, where it achieved positive results in a Phase 2b trial of second-line treatment of patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer. ERYTECH is preparing for the launch of a pivotal Phase 3 clinical trial in second line pancreatic cancer and Phase 2 trials in first line pancreatic cancer and triple-negative breast cancer.

ERYTECH produces eryaspase at its own GMP-approved and operational manufacturing site in Lyon (France), and at a site for clinical production in Philadelphia (USA). ERYTECH has entered into licensing and distribution partnership agreements for eryaspase for ALL and AML in Europe with Orphan Europe (Recordati Group), and for ALL in Israel with TEVA, which will market the product under the GRASPA® brand name. The European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) have granted orphan drug designations for eryaspase for the treatment of ALL, AML and pancreatic cancer.

In addition to eryaspase, ERYTECH is developing erymethionase, methionine-γ-lyase encapsulated in red blood cells, to target cancer cells' amino acid metabolism and induce tumor starvation. ERYTECH is also exploring the use of its ERYCAPS platform for developing cancer immunotherapies (ERYMMUNE) and enzyme replacement therapies (ERYZYME).

ERYTECH is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market in the United States (ticker: ERYP) and on the Euronext regulated market in Paris (ISIN code: FR0011471135, ticker: ERYP). ERYTECH is part of the CAC Healthcare, CAC Pharma & Bio, CAC Mid & Small, CAC All Tradable, EnterNext PEA-PME 150 and Next Biotech indexes.

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