Gemphire Therapeutics to Report Fiscal Year End 2016 Financial Results on Wednesday, March 15

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Poster on Phase 2 Trial Investigating Effect of Gemcabene on Insulin Sensitization to be Presented at ACC Meeting on March 19

LIVONIA, Mich., March 13, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Gemphire Therapeutics Inc. (NASDAQ:GEMP), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing therapies for the treatment of dyslipidemia and NAFLD/NASH, will release fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 financial results on Wednesday, March 15 after the market close, and host a conference call at 4:30pm Eastern Time to review the company's progress and answer questions. Gemphire is also announcing a poster presentation from a Phase 2 clinical trial with gemcabene in obese patients at the forthcoming American College of Cardiology 66th Annual Scientific Session (ACC), taking place in Washington, D.C., March 17-19.

Financial Results Conference Call Details:

Date:	Wednesday, March 15
Time:	4:30 pm Eastern Time
Toll Free:	(844) 494-0188
International:	(425) 278-9114
Passcode:	87530687
Webcast:	http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/w2bye4tx

American College of Cardiology Meeting, Poster Presentation:

Session:	1277 - Diabetes and Other Issues in Cardiovascular Prevention
Title:	Effect of Gemcabene on Insulin Sensitivity in Nondiabetic, Obese Subjects
Authors:	Rebecca Bakker-Arkema, Charles Bisgaier, Gemphire Therapeutics Inc.
Date:	Sunday, March 19
Time:	9:45 – 10:30 am Eastern Time
Location	Poster Hall C., Walter E. Washington Convention Center

The poster presents the results of a double-blind, randomized, placebo controlled, Phase 2 pilot trial 1027-014 of 900 mg gemcabene and placebo once daily for 4 weeks that investigated insulin sensitization by gemcabene in non-diabetic, obese patients as well as LDL-C lowering.

About Gemcabene

Gemphire's product candidate, gemcabene (CI-1027), is a first-in-class, once-daily, oral therapy that may be suitable for patients who are unable to achieve normal levels of LDL-C or triglycerides with currently approved therapies, primarily statins. Gemcabene's mechanism of action is designed to enhance the clearance of very low-density lipoproteins (VLDLs) in the plasma and inhibit the production of cholesterol and triglycerides in the liver. The combined effect for these mechanisms has been clinically observed to result in a reduction of plasma VLDL-C, LDL-C, and triglycerides. In addition, gemcabene has been shown to markedly lower inflammation as measured by C-reactive protein. Gemcabene is liver-directed and reduces apoC-III mRNA and plasma levels. Gemcabene also reduces acetyl-CoA carboxylase (ACC) and CCR2/CCR5 receptor mRNA levels, which may have applications in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)/non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD). Gemcabene has demonstrated proof of concept efficacy in the STAM^{TM} model for NASH developed at SMC Laboratories in Tokyo, Japan. Gemcabene has been tested as monotherapy and in combination with statins and other drugs in 895 subjects across 18 Phase 1 and Phase 2 clinical trials and has demonstrated promising evidence of efficacy, safety and tolerability.

About Gemphire

Gemphire is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing therapies for the treatment of dyslipidemia, a serious medical condition that increases the risk of life threatening cardiovascular diseases, and NAFLD/NASH. Gemphire has initiated 3 clinical trials for HoFH, heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH)/atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD), and severe hypertriglyceridemia (SHTG) under NCT02722408, NCT02634151, and NCT02944383, respectively. Please visit www.gemphire.com for more information.

Forward-Looking Statements

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