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Evoke Announces Timing of Phase 3 Results from its Recently Fully Enrolled Pivotal Clinical Trial of EVK-001

SOLANA BEACH, Calif., May 03, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Evoke Pharma, Inc. (NASDAQ:EVOK) today announced that it expects to provide top line data results from its pivotal Phase 3 clinical trial of EVK-001 in women with symptoms associated with diabetic gastroparesis early in the third quarter of 2016. The study was designed to enroll approximately 200 subjects and the Company has confirmed that 205 subjects have now been randomized in the trial. EVK-001 is the Company's patented nasal delivery formulation of metoclopramide for the relief of symptoms associated with acute and recurrent diabetic gastroparesis in women.

Dave Gonyer, R.Ph., President and CEO stated, "Having completed enrollment in our pivotal Phase 3 trial of EVK-001, we expect to provide top line results early in the third quarter. We are excited to have completed enrollment in this important study and look forward to presenting our data in the near term. As we have previously stated, Evoke has assembled a team and begun preparation for a New Drug Application (NDA) and this is the last key component necessary. We believe there is a substantial need for an improved drug treatment option for patients with gastroparesis, which provides Evoke and EVK-001 with a promising opportunity to enter a large market in which our drug can have a significant impact."

This U.S. multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Phase 3 clinical trial is evaluating the efficacy, safety and population pharmacokinetics of EVK-001 in adult female subjects with diabetic gastroparesis receiving the study drug for four weeks. The primary endpoint is the change from baseline in symptom score at week 4 utilizing a proprietary Patient Report Outcome (PRO) instrument.

About Evoke Pharma, Inc.
Evoke is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused primarily on the development of drugs to treat GI disorders and diseases. The Company is developing EVK-001, a metoclopramide nasal spray for the relief of symptoms associated with acute and recurrent gastroparesis in women with diabetes mellitus. Diabetic gastroparesis is a GI disorder afflicting millions of sufferers worldwide, in which the stomach takes too long to empty its contents resulting in serious digestive system symptoms. Metoclopramide is the only product currently approved in the United States to treat gastroparesis, and is currently available only in oral and intravenous forms. EVK-001 is a novel formulation of this drug, designed to provide systemic delivery of metoclopramide through nasal administration. Visit www.EvokePharma.com for more information.

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