



Arcturus Therapeutics Appoints Lance Kurata as Chief Legal Officer

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SAN DIEGO, Aug. 06, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Arcturus Therapeutics Holdings Inc. (the "Company", "Arcturus", Nasdaq: ARCT), a leading clinical-stage messenger RNA medicines company focused on the development of infectious disease vaccines and significant opportunities within liver and respiratory rare diseases, today announced the appointment of Lance Kurata as Chief Legal Officer, starting August 10, 2020. Mr. Kurata joins Arcturus from Mintz, where he was a partner in the Corporate Group and a member of the Life Sciences Practice Group.

"Lance is widely recognized as a leading biotechnology focused attorney. His deep expertise in transactions and intellectual property will be particularly valuable as Arcturus continues to drive forward our differentiated messenger RNA therapeutic and vaccine platform and our pipeline of promising investigational medicines. I am very pleased to welcome Lance to the Company," said Joseph Payne, President & CEO of Arcturus.

"I am thrilled to be joining Arcturus during this exciting period of growth. This year, the Company is anticipating clinical trial data from ARCT-021, its COVID-19 vaccine candidate, as well as ARCT-810, an investigational therapy for Ornithine Transcarbamylase (OTC) deficiency. I am looking forward to working with the team to maximize the potential of the Company's differentiated mRNA based therapeutic modalities," said Lance Kurata, Chief Legal Officer of Arcturus.

Prior to joining Arcturus, Mr. Kurata was Partner and Chair of West Coast Technology Transactions at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, PC. Mr. Kurata obtained his B.A. from University of California, Los Angeles and he earned his J.D. from Stanford Law School.

About Arcturus Therapeutics

Founded in 2013 and based in San Diego, California, Arcturus Therapeutics Holdings Inc. (Nasdaq: ARCT) is a clinical-stage mRNA medicines and vaccines company with enabling technologies: (i) LUNAR® lipid-mediated delivery, (ii) STARR™ mRNA Technology and (iii) mRNA drug substance along with drug product manufacturing expertise. Arcturus' diverse pipeline of RNA therapeutic and vaccine candidates includes self-replicating mRNA vaccine programs for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) and Influenza, and other programs to potentially treat Ornithine Transcarbamylase (OTC) Deficiency, Cystic Fibrosis, Cardiovascular Disease along with partnered programs including Glycogen Storage Disease Type 3, Hepatitis B Virus, and non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). Arcturus' versatile RNA therapeutics platforms can be applied toward multiple types of nucleic acid medicines including messenger RNA, small interfering RNA, replicon RNA, antisense RNA, microRNA, DNA, and gene editing therapeutics. Arcturus' technologies are covered by its extensive patent portfolio (192 patents and patent applications, issued in the U.S., Europe, Japan, China and other countries). Arcturus' commitment to the development of novel RNA therapeutics has led to collaborations with Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., part of the Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies of Johnson & Johnson, Ultragenyx Pharmaceutical, Inc., Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, CureVac AG, Synthetic Genomics Inc., Duke-NUS, and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. For more information visit www.ArcturusRx.com

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