



Galectin Therapeutics to Present at the 2nd Annual Anti-Fibrotic Drug Development Summit

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NORCROSS, Ga., Nov. 19, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **Galectin Therapeutics Inc.**(NASDAQ:GALT), the leading developer of therapeutics that target galectin proteins, today announced that Dr. Harold H. Shlevin, the Company's President and CEO, will present at the [2nd Annual Anti-Fibrotic Drug Development Summit \(AFDD\)](#) at the Hyatt Regency Cambridge in Massachusetts on Thursday, November 29, at 2:00 p.m. EST.

In his presentation, titled "Physiological Control Systems Involving Galectins in the Treatment of Diseases," Dr. Shlevin will discuss the following:

- The significant involvement of galectins in various biological functions and pathologies and how this has driven recent interest in therapeutic discovery and development for clinical intervention against fibrosis, cancer, and other disorders
- The role of galectins in mediating physiological control processes, including an understanding of structure-function relationships, the mechanisms of action at the molecular level, and the evolving clinical data on their role in the treatment of various diseases

Bringing together leading researchers from drug development, the AFDD Summit was established to benchmark candidate success, comprehensively review what is known about fibrotic disease etiology, and challenge the poor preclinical predictability currently limiting translation of anti-fibrotic efficacy.

About Galectin Therapeutics

Galectin Therapeutics is dedicated to developing novel therapies to improve the lives of patients with chronic liver disease and cancer. Galectin's lead drug (GR-MD-02) is a carbohydrate-based drug that inhibits the galectin-3 protein which is directly involved in multiple inflammatory, fibrotic, and malignant diseases. The lead development program is in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) with cirrhosis, the most advanced form of NASH related fibrosis. This is the most common liver disease and one of the largest drug development opportunities available today. Additional development programs are in treatment of severe atopic dermatitis, moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis, and in combination immunotherapy for advanced melanoma and other malignancies; advancement of these additional clinical programs is largely dependent on finding a suitable partner. Galectin seeks to leverage extensive scientific and development expertise as well as established relationships with external sources to achieve cost-effective and efficient development. Additional information is available at www.galectintherapeutics.com.

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