Spectrum Announces Poziotinib Data Being Presented at the IASLC 2019 World Conference on Lung Cancer

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HENDERSON, Nev.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 6, 2019-- Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ-GS: SPPI), a biopharmaceutical company focused on novel and targeted oncology therapies, is developing poziotinib in non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) EGFR exon 20 mutations and beyond. New clinical data from the poziotinib Phase 2 investigator-initiated trial in NSCLC EGFR exon 20 mutations, conducted by the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center will be presented during the IASLC 2019 World Conference on Lung Cancer hosted by the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer taking place in Barcelona, Spain from September 7-10, 2019.

“There continues to be investigator interest in poziotinib’s unique characteristics to address NSCLC mutations, including exon 20 and other mutations, which have limited or no treatment options,” said Francois Lebel, M.D., F.R.C.P.C., Chief Medical Officer of Spectrum Pharmaceuticals. “The data presented at this conference by our scientific collaborators at MD Anderson further expands the body of evidence supporting poziotinib’s role in lung cancer and helps us gain new insights into its full potential.”

Abstracts of interest include:

- Activity of Poziotinib and Other 2nd-Gen Quinazoline EGFR TKIs in Atypical Exon18 and Acquired Osimertinib Resistance Mutants
  
  Abstract P1.14-08, Targeted Therapy Track, poster presentation, Sunday, September 8, 9:45 am – 6:00 pm CET in Fira De Barcelona, Gran Via, Exhibit Hall

- Identification of Mechanisms of Acquired Resistance to Poziotinib in EGFR Exon 20 Mutant Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC)
  
  Abstract MA09.03, Targeted Therapy Track, mini oral session, Sunday, September 8, 3:25-3:30 pm CET at Fira De Barcelona, Gran Via, Room Melbourne (1991)

Full abstracts can be found by visiting https://library.iaslc.org/conference-program?product_id=15.

“NSCLC patients with exon 20 insertion mutations have a poor prognosis and very limited treatment options. We are diligently developing poziotinib and look forward to topline results from cohort 1 of our Spectrum-sponsored Phase 2 study in the fourth quarter,” said Joe Turgeon, President and CEO of Spectrum Pharmaceutical.

About Poziotinib

Poziotinib is a novel, oral epidermal growth factor receptor tyrosine kinase inhibitor (EGFR TKI) that inhibits the tyrosine kinase activity of EGFR (HER1) as well as HER2 and HER4. Importantly this leads to the inhibition of the proliferation of tumor cells that overexpress these receptors. Mutations or overexpression/amplification of EGFR family receptors have been associated with a number of different cancers, including non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), breast cancer, and gastric cancer. The full poziotinib targeted therapy clinical program is focused on four development areas for EGFR and HER2 mutations, including previously treated NSCLC, first-line NSCLC, treatment of other solid tumors and combination therapy.

Spectrum received exclusive license from Hanmi Pharmaceuticals to develop, manufacture, and commercialize poziotinib worldwide, excluding Korea and China. Poziotinib is currently being investigated by Spectrum and Hanmi in several trials in multiple solid tumors.

About Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Spectrum Pharmaceuticals is a biopharmaceutical company focused on acquiring, developing, and commercializing novel and targeted drug products, with a primary focus in hematology and oncology. Spectrum has a strong track record of successfully executing across the biopharmaceutical business model, from in-licensing and acquiring differentiated drugs, clinically developing novel assets, successfully gaining regulatory approvals and commercializing in a competitive healthcare marketplace. Spectrum has a late-stage pipeline with novel assets that serve areas of unmet need. This pipeline has the potential to transform the company in the near future.

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