

Anthera Pharmaceuticals Announces Presentation of Blisibimod Lupus Research at the American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting

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Presentation to highlight data from the CHABLIS-SC1, Phase 3 clinical study of blisibimod

HAYWARD, Calif., Nov. 01, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Anthera Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq:ANTH) will present new data from the CHABLIS-SC1 Phase 3 clinical study of blisibimod, a novel treatment that targets B-cell activating factor (BAFF), at the American Society of Nephrology (ASN) Annual Meeting in New Orleans from October 31-November 5. This abstract focuses on the subgroup of subjects enrolled into the study with proteinuria equivalent to 0.5 g/day or higher.

"This analysis of the CHABLIS-SC1 Phase 3 clinical study showed that treatment with blisibimod elicited clinically-meaningful decreases in urinary protein:creatinine ratio when administered for 1 year with concomitant standard-of-care medication to patients with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) with renal manifestations," shared Kenneth Kalunian, MD, Professor of Medicine, Division of Rheumatology, Allergy and Immunology, University of California, San Diego.

Details of Anthera Pharmaceuticals' ASN 2017 presentation is as follows:

Title: Effects of Blisibimod, A Selective Inhibitor of B-Cell Activating Factor, on Urinary Protein:Creatinine Ratio (UPCR) In Subjects With Renal Manifestations of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

Session: 1001-OR01 Immunology, Inflammation, and the Glomerulus: The Cutting Edge
Oral Abstract Session

When: November 2, 2017 from 6:06 PM to 6:18 PM

Location: Room 294 (Morial Convention Center)

Presentation Number: TH-OR069

All ASN abstracts are available on the conference website at <https://www.asn-online.org>

About Anthera Pharmaceuticals

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