Revive Therapeutics Announces Positive Results of its Novel Cannabinoid Delivery Technology

TORONTO, ONTARIO--(Marketwired – October 11, 2017) - Revive Therapeutics Ltd. ("Revive" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: RVV) (OTCQB: RVVTF), a company focused on the research, development and commercialization of novel treatments for serious and unmet medical needs, today announced positive initial results from its research project with the University of Wisconsin–Madison for the development of a novel cannabinoid delivery technology.

The research project evaluated tannin-chitosan (TNN-CHT) based hydrogel formulations in combination with synthetic cannabidiol (CBD) in an anti-inflammatory preclinical model. Initial results successfully demonstrated a stable formulation of the TNN-CHT composites and synthetic CBD (TNN-CHT/CBD). The TNN-CHT/CBD formulation shown to attenuate LPS-induced macrophage activation in a dose-response manner, showing a reduction for inducible nitric oxide synthase (iNOS), as well as an increase on intracellular production of tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF-a) as the concentration of CBD is increased. In summary, the TNN-CHT/CBD formulation exhibits antiinflammatory properties and suggested that the TNN-CHT composites have antiinflammatory activity that may complement CBD. The project is ongoing with further optimization of the TNN-CHT/CBD formulation and final results will be made available before the end of the year.

"This is a significant development milestone as we have successfully demonstrated that the delivery technology in combination with cannabidiol is able to effectively reduce inflammation offering a novel and potentially effective therapeutic option for a broad range of indications that would benefit from cannabinoid therapies," said Dr. Jess D. Reed, Professor of Animal Nutrition at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. "We are optimizing the formulation for permeation and inflammatory studies in order to further validate the potential of the cannabinoid delivery technology."

"I am pleased with these initial results as it has successfully demonstrated that the cannabinoid delivery technology has shown a positive effect in reducing inflammation and has the potential to be a unique cannabinoid delivery technology offering novel solutions for the medical cannabis and pharmaceutical sectors," said Craig Leon, Chief Executive Officer of Revive.

The Company's proposed delivery technology aims to deliver cannabinoids in combination with tannin and chitosan composites. The tannin composite has antibacterial, antifungal, antioxidant and wound healing properties, and the chitosan composite has blood-clotting and antimicrobial properties. The combination of a tannin, a chitosan and cannabidiol has the potential to become a unique cannabinoid delivery technology to serve broad market opportunities for the medical cannabis and pharmaceutical sectors.

About Revive Therapeutics Ltd.

Revive Therapeutics Ltd. (TSX VENTURE:RVV) (OTCQB:RVVTF) is focused on the research, development and commercialization of novel treatments for serious and unmet medical needs by identifying and investigating potential therapies targeting the endocannabinoid system, such as cannabinoids, that may be repurposed for new indications, be delivered in a different way, combined with existing drugs, or be developed as new chemical entities. Additional information on Revive is available at www.ReviveThera.com.

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