



Ocular Therapeutix™ Announces Patricia Kitchen as Chief Operations Officer

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BEDFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 9, 2019-- Ocular Therapeutix™, Inc.(NASDAQ: OCUL), a biopharmaceutical company focused on the formulation, development, and commercialization of innovative therapies for diseases and conditions of the eye, today announced the appointment of Patricia Kitchen as Chief Operations Officer.

"We are very excited to have Patricia joining the Ocular team in this new role to oversee both the technical operations and quality teams," said Antony Mattessich, President and Chief Executive Officer. "This is an exciting time for Ocular as we launch DEXTENZA® and continue to develop our robust product portfolio. Having worked extensively with Patricia in the past, I believe she brings the strategic and technical expertise along with the necessary leadership skills to build upon the momentum in our technical operations and quality groups. We look forward to her immediate and ongoing contributions."

Patricia Kitchen brings nearly 25 years of biotechnology and pharmaceutical experience, including roles managing global operations and manufacturing relating to complex product development, technology transfer, supply chain management, and process-scale up and validation. Prior to joining Ocular, Ms. Kitchen held a number of senior management positions at Mundipharma, including Global Director of Technical Operations (ex-U.S.) where she was responsible for leading the transformation of manufacturing operations, supply chain, technical services, and other technical development teams across Mundipharma's global markets and manufacturing suppliers. Prior to her work at Mundipharma, Ms. Kitchen occupied executive roles in operations and manufacturing at Teva Pharmaceuticals and Actavis, Inc. (formerly Watson Pharmaceuticals).

Patricia was an adjunct Professor in Biotechnology and currently participates on several FDA Development Taskforces focused on Patient Drug Development, Biotechnology Development, and Transdermal Product Development. She holds degrees in secondary education and biology from Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona.

About Ocular Therapeutix, Inc.

Ocular Therapeutix, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the formulation, development, and commercialization of innovative therapies for diseases and conditions of the eye using its proprietary bioresorbable hydrogel-based formulation technology. Ocular Therapeutix's first commercial drug product, DEXTENZA®, is FDA-approved for the treatment of ocular inflammation and pain following ophthalmic surgery. OTX-TP (intracanalicular travoprost insert) is an intracanalicular insert in Phase 3 clinical development for the reduction of intraocular pressure in patients with primary open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension. The Company's earlier stage assets include OTX-TIC, an extended-delivery intracameral travoprost implant for the reduction of intraocular pressure in patients with glaucoma and ocular hypertension, as well as sustained release intravitreal implants for the treatment of retinal diseases. These intravitreal implants include OTX-TKI, containing a tyrosine kinase inhibitor (TKI), and, in collaboration with Regeneron, OTX-IVT, an extended-delivery protein-based anti-vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) trap. Ocular Therapeutix's first product, ReSure® Sealant, is FDA-approved to seal corneal incisions following cataract surgery.

Forward Looking Statements

Any statements in this press release about future expectations, plans, and prospects for the Company, including the commercialization of DEXTENZA®, ReSure Sealant, or any of the Company's product candidates, including the commercial launch of, and receipt and effectiveness of reimbursement codes for, DEXTENZA; the development and regulatory status of the Company's product candidates such as the Company's regulatory submissions for and the timing and conduct of, or implications of results from, clinical trials of, and the prospects of approvability for, DEXTENZA for any additional indications, OTX-TP for the treatment of primary open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension, OTX-TIC for the treatment of primary open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension, OTX-TKI for the treatment of retinal diseases including wet AMD, and OTX-IVT as an extended-delivery formulation of the VEGF trap aflibercept for the treatment of retinal diseases including wet AMD; the ongoing development of the Company's extended-delivery hydrogel depot technology; the potential utility of any of the Company's product candidates; the potential benefits and future operation of the collaboration with Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, including any potential future payments thereunder; the sufficiency of the Company's cash resources and other statements containing the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "goal," "may," "might," "plan," "predict," "project," "target," "potential," "will," "would," "could," "should," "continue," and similar expressions, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors. Such forward-looking statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could cause the Company's clinical development programs, future results, performance or achievements to differ significantly from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, those related to the timing and costs involved in commercializing DEXTENZA, ReSure Sealant or any product candidate that receives regulatory approval, including the conduct of post-approval studies, the ability to retain regulatory approval of DEXTENZA, ReSure Sealant or any product candidate that receives regulatory approval, the ability to obtain and maintain reimbursement codes for DEXTENZA, the initiation, timing and conduct of clinical trials, availability of data from clinical trials and expectations for regulatory submissions and approvals, the Company's scientific approach and general development progress, the availability or commercial potential of the Company's product candidates, the sufficiency of cash resources, the Company's existing indebtedness, the ability of the Company's creditors to accelerate the maturity of such indebtedness upon the occurrence of certain events of default, the outcome of the Company's ongoing legal proceedings and need for additional financing or other actions and other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section contained in the Company's quarterly and annual reports on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, the forward-looking statements included in this press release represent the Company's views as of the date of this release. The Company anticipates that subsequent events and developments will cause the Company's views to change. However, while the Company may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, the Company specifically disclaims any obligation to do so except as required by law. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing the Company's views as of any date subsequent to the date of this release.

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