Selecta Biosciences Announces \$50 Million Private Placement

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WATERTOWN, Mass., June 26, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Selecta Biosciences, Inc. (NASDAQ:SELB), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on unlocking the full potential of biologic therapies by avoiding unwanted immune responses, today announced that it has entered into definitive agreements to sell securities in a private placement that is expected to result in gross proceeds to the company of \$50 million, before deducting placement agent and other offering expenses.

The company plans to use the proceeds from the financing primarily for ongoing clinical development of Selecta's lead product candidate, SEL-212, for the treatment of chronic severe gout and to enable the company to bring additional product candidates into the clinic. Selecta expects the addition of these proceeds to its existing balance sheet will enable the company to fund its operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into 2019. Stifel served as sole placement agent for the offering.

Certain new and existing institutional investors have agreed to purchase an aggregate of 2,750,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$16.00 per share. Additionally, a member of the company's Board of Directors has agreed to purchase, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$6 million, 338,791 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 79,130 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$17.71. The closing of the offering is subject to certain conditions and is expected to occur on June 27, 2017.

The offer and sale of the foregoing securities are being made in a transaction not involving a public offering and have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or applicable state securities laws, and will be sold in a private placement pursuant to Regulation D of the Securities Act. The securities being issued in the private placement may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. The company has agreed to file a registration statement covering the resale of the securities acquired by the investors in the private placement.

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities, nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any state in which such offer or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of such state. Any offering of the securities under the resale registration statement will only be by means of a prospectus.

About Selecta Biosciences, Inc.

Selecta Biosciences, Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company that is focused on unlocking the full potential of biologic therapies by avoiding unwanted immune responses. Selecta plans to combine its tolerogenic Synthetic Vaccine Particles (SVPTM) to a range of biologics for rare and serious diseases that require new treatment options. The company's current proprietary pipeline includes SVP-enabled enzyme, oncology and gene therapies. SEL-212, the company's lead candidate in Phase 2, is being developed to treat severe gout patients and resolve their debilitating symptoms, including flares and gouty arthritis. Selecta's clinical oncology candidate, LMB-100, is in a Phase 1 program targeting pancreatic cancer and mesothelioma. Its two proprietary gene therapy product candidates are being developed for rare inborn errors of metabolism and have the potential to enable repeat administration. The use of SVP is also being explored in the development of vaccines and treatments for allergies and autoimmune diseases. Selecta is based in Watertown, Massachusetts. For more information, please visit http://selectabio.com and follow @SelectaBio on Twitter.

Forward-Looking Statements

Any statements in this press release about the future expectations, plans and prospects of Selecta Biosciences, Inc. ("the company"), including without limitation, statements relating to the closing of, the amount of any proceeds from, and the company's use of any proceeds from, the private placement transaction, the company's ability to unlock the full potential of biologic therapies, the company's plan to apply its SVP platform to a range of biologics for rare and serious diseases, the

potential of SEL-212 to treat severe gout patients and resolve their debilitating symptoms, the potential of the company's two gene therapy product candidates to enable repeat administration, the potential treatment applications for products utilizing the SVP platform in areas such as gene therapy, oncology, allergies, autoimmune diseases and vaccines, and other statements containing the words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "hypothesize," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "target," "would," 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 discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on May 11, 2017, and in other filings that the company makes with the SEC. In addition, any forward-looking statements included in this press release represent the company's views only as of the date of its publication and should not be relied upon as representing its views as of any subsequent date. The company specifically disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements included in this press release.

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