Fulcrum Therapeutics to Host Virtual Key Opinion Leader Event Featuring FTX-6058 for Sickle Cell Disease

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Event will review the company's novel approach to inducing fetal hemoglobin

Live webcast on December 15, 2020 at 8:30am ET

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 09, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **Fulcrum Therapeutics, Inc.** (Nasdaq: FULC), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on improving the lives of patients with genetically defined rare diseases, today announced that it will host a Key Opinion Leader (KOL) meeting on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 from 8:30am – 10:00am ET to discuss the company's program with FTX-6058 for select hemoglobinopathies, including sickle cell disease and beta-thalassemia.

Dr. Maureen Achebe and Dr. Gerd Blobel will join senior executives from Fulcrum in presenting and discussing sickle cell disease, the treatment landscape and the FTX-6058 program followed by a Question and Answer session. Maureen Achebe, MD is currently Clinical Director, Non-Malignant Hematology Clinic, Assistant Director, Brigham and Women's Hospital Outpatient Infusion Center, Director, Brigham and Women's Hospital Sickle Cell Program and Assistant Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School. Gerd Blobel, MD, PhD is currently Frank E. Weise III professor of pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania and Co-director Epigenetics Institute. He also holds the Frank E. Weise III Endowed Chair of Pediatrics at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and the Perelman School of Medicine.

The live webcast will be accessible through the Investor Relations section of the company's website https://ir.fulcrumtx.com/events-and-presentations. Following the live webcast, an archived replay will also be available on the website for up to 90 days.

About FTX-6058
FTX-6058 is a highly potent small molecule inhibitor of EED capable of inducing robust HbF protein expression in cell and murine models. Fulcrum believes the pharmacokinetics and human dose simulations support that FTX-6058 may be given as a once daily oral compound. The validation of EED as a target for sickle cell disease and the discovery of FTX-6058 as a novel HbF-inducing small molecule were conducted using Fulcrum's proprietary Product Engine. The company's composition of matter patent covering FTX-6058 and related structures has been granted. Preclinical data with FTX-6058 showed an increase in HbF levels up to approximately 30% of total hemoglobin. Fulcrum has initiated a Phase 1 trial with FTX-6058 in healthy volunteers.

About Fulcrum Therapeutics
Fulcrum Therapeutics is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on improving the lives of patients with genetically defined rare diseases in areas of high unmet medical need. Fulcrum's proprietary product engine identifies drug targets which can modulate gene expression to treat the known root cause of gene mis-expression. The company has advanced losmapimod to Phase 2 clinical development for the treatment of facioscapulohumeral muscular dystrophy (FSHD) and Phase 3 for the treatment of COVID-19. Fulcrum has also advanced FTX-6058, a small molecule designed to increase expression of fetal hemoglobin for the treatment of sickle cell disease and beta thalassemia, into Phase 1 clinical development.

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Forward-Looking Statements
This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that involve substantial risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding the development status of the Company's product candidates and the potential advantages and therapeutic potential of the Company's product candidates. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, contained in this press release, including statements regarding the Company's strategy, future operations, future financial position, prospects, plans and objectives of management, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "target," "will," "would" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Any forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations of future events and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from those set forth in, or implied by, such forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, risks associated with Fulcrum's ability to obtain and maintain necessary approvals from the FDA and other regulatory authorities; continue to advance its product candidates in clinical trials; initiate and enroll clinical trials on the timeline expected or at all; correctly estimate the potential patient population and/or market for the Company's product candidates; replicate in later clinical trials positive results found in preclinical studies and/or earlier-stage clinical trials of losmapimod and its other product candidates; advance the development of its product candidates under the timelines it anticipates in current and future clinical trials; obtain, maintain or protect intellectual property rights related to its product candidates; manage expenses; and raise the substantial additional capital needed to achieve its business objectives. For a discussion of other risks and uncertainties, and other important factors, any of which could cause the Company's actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, see the "Risk Factors" section, as well as discussions of potential risks, uncertainties and other important factors, in the Company's most recent filings 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 hereof and should not be relied upon as representing the Company's views as of any date subsequent to the date hereof. 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.

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