Alaunos Therapeutics to Present Trials in Progress Poster for its TCR-T Library Phase 1/2 trial at the 2022 American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting

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HOUSTON, May 26, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Alaunos Therapeutics, Inc. (“Alaunos” or the “Company”) (Nasdaq: TCRT), a clinical-stage oncology-focused cell therapy company today announced a Trials in Progress poster presentation at the 2022 American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting being held in Chicago, IL June 3-7, 2022.

The Trials in Progress poster presentation will summarize the adaptive trial design, dosing regimen, and follow up strategy for Alaunos’ ongoing TCR-T Library Phase 1/2 trial. The open label, dose escalation trial is being conducted at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and is currently enrolling patients with non-small cell lung, colorectal, endometrial, pancreatic, ovarian, and bile duct cancers that have a matching human leukocyte antigen (HLA) and hotspot mutation pairing in Alaunos’ TCR-T library. In May 2022, the Company announced that it had dosed the first patient in the trial.

“We are honored to be selected by the ASCO Scientific Program Committee to present our adaptive design for our ongoing TCR-T Library Phase 1/2 trial,” stated Kevin S. Boyle, Sr. “Leveraging our proprietary non-viral *Sleeping Beauty* technology and our growing TCR-T library, we are a leader in the field of TCR-T cell therapies targeting solid tumors. Our approach attacking shared hotspot mutations that drive cancer has the potential to kill tumors. With the first patient successfully dosed we look forward to sharing an initial look at data later this year as we continue to enroll additional patients into our study.”

Details of the poster presentation are as follows:

Poster Presentation: First in-human phase 1/2 study of autologous T cells engineered using the *Sleeping Beauty* System transposon/transposase to express T-cell receptors (TCRs) reactive against cancer-specific mutations in patients with advanced solid tumors.
Session Title: Developmental Therapeutics—Immunotherapy
Session Date/Time: Sunday, June 5, 2022, 8:00-11:00am CDT
Abstract Number: TPS2679
Poster Board Number: 328b
Location: McCormick Place, Exhibit Hall

Additional information about the study is available at www.clinicaltrials.gov using the identifier: NCT05194735.

About Alaunos Therapeutics
Alaunos is a clinical-stage oncology-focused cell therapy company, focused on developing T-cell receptor (TCR) therapies based on its proprietary, non-viral *Sleeping Beauty* gene transfer technology and its TCR library targeting shared tumor-specific hotspot mutations in key oncogenic genes including KRAS, TP53 and EGFR. The Company has clinical and strategic collaborations with The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and the National Cancer Institute. For more information, please visit www.alaunos.com.

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