



Arena Pharmaceuticals Presents Preclinical Data for Olorinab at International Association for the Study of Pain World Congress

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SAN DIEGO, Sept. 17, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- [Arena Pharmaceuticals, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq: ARNA) today announced that results from preclinical studies of its investigative drug candidate olorinab, a peripherally restricted, highly selective, full agonist of the cannabinoid receptor 2 (CB₂) in development for the treatment of visceral pain associated with Crohn's disease, were presented at the [International Association for the Study of Pain \(IASP\) World Congress](#) in Boston, MA.

"We are pleased to present data supporting olorinab's antinociceptive effects in visceral sensory pathways," said Preston Klassen, MD, MHS, Executive Vice President, Research and Development and Chief Medical Officer of Arena. "Through its full-agonism and selectivity, we believe olorinab may provide a novel therapeutic approach for sustained relief of visceral pain without psychotropic effects, potentially providing a new treatment option without the risk for dependence or abuse. We are currently evaluating olorinab in a Phase 2 clinical trial in IBD-associated abdominal pain and expect the availability of topline data by the end of the third quarter."

Presentation Details

Poster Abstract Title: APD371, a Peripherally Restricted, Highly Selective, Full Agonist of the Cannabinoid Receptor 2 (CB₂) Receptor, Reduces Colitis-Induced Visceral Hypersensitivity in Rats

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About Arena Pharmaceuticals

[Arena Pharmaceuticals](#) is focused on delivering novel, transformational medicines with optimized pharmacology and pharmacokinetics to patients globally. Arena's proprietary pipeline includes multiple potentially first- or best-in-class programs with broad clinical utility. The most advanced investigational clinical programs are [ralinepag](#) (APD811), in a Phase 3 program for pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH), and [etrasimod](#) (APD334), expected to commence a Phase 3 program for ulcerative colitis (UC) and a program in Crohn's disease (CD), and which has potential utility for a broad range of immune and inflammatory conditions. Arena is also evaluating olorinab ([APD371](#)) in a Phase 2 study for the treatment of visceral pain associated with Crohn's disease, as well as other drug candidates in earlier research and development stages.

In addition, Arena has several collaborations including Everest Medicines Limited (ralinepag and etrasimod in Greater China and select Asian countries), Axovant Sciences GmbH (nelotanserin - Phase 2), Boehringer Ingelheim International GmbH (undisclosed target - preclinical), Outpost Medicine, LLC (undisclosed target – preclinical), and Eisai Co., Ltd. and Eisai Inc. (BELVIQ® - marketed product).

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