Atossa Therapeutics Appoints Claudia Lopez, DVM, MSc, as Vice President, Clinical Product Development

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Dr. Lopez Brings 20+ Years of Global Clinical Development and Leadership to Support Atossa's Mission in Developing Innovative Breast Cancer Therapies

SEATTLE, Nov. 05, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Atossa Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ATOS) ("Atossa" or the "Company"), today announced the appointment of Claudia Lopez, DVM, MSc, as its new Vice President, Clinical Product Development. Dr. Lopez brings more than two decades of clinical development and strategic expertise to Atossa, including leadership roles in global clinical programs across immunology, oncology, and metabolic disease. Atossa Therapeutics is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing innovative medicines for breast cancer.

Dr. Lopez most recently served as Vice President of Clinical Development at Landos Biopharma, where she oversaw global clinical strategies, trial design, and regulatory alignment. Her leadership has consistently driven successful clinical programs from early-stage development through complex global regulatory processes. In her new role at Atossa, Dr. Lopez will focus on advancing Atossa's clinical pipeline, contributing to the development and delivery of next-generation cancer treatments.

"We are pleased to welcome Dr. Lopez to the Atossa team. Her extensive experience in clinical development, particularly her strategic acumen in guiding multifaceted clinical trials, aligns perfectly with our mission to bring transformative treatments to women with breast cancer," said Dr. Steven Quay, Chief Executive Officer of Atossa Therapeutics. "Claudia's leadership will be instrumental in driving Atossa's clinical programs forward as we work to improve outcomes for breast cancer patients across the treatment continuum."

Dr. Lopez has built an impressive career spanning leadership roles at Landos Biopharma, Arena Pharmaceuticals, and Takeda Pharmaceuticals, where she held key positions in clinical development allowing her to successfully lead global programs. She has directed cross-functional teams, led regulatory submissions in the U.S. and Europe, and managed comprehensive clinical development programs in areas such as inflammatory bowel disease, diabetes, melanoma, and breast cancer. Her expertise in aligning clinical strategy with regulatory and commercial goals will be invaluable to Atossa's growth.

"I am honored to join Atossa at this exciting stage," said Dr. Lopez. "The potential of Atossa's pipeline in breast cancer is compelling, and I look forward to contributing my experience to advance these promising therapies."

About Atossa Therapeutics
Atossa Therapeutics, Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing innovative medicines in areas of significant unmet medical need in oncology with a focus on using (Z)-endoxifen to prevent and treat breast cancer. For more information, please visit www.atossatherapeutics.com.

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