



## Windtree Therapeutics to Host Virtual R&D and Investor Day Focusing on the Cardiogenic Shock Market, Istaroxime, Company Strategy and Planned Near-Term Milestones

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*Virtual event to take place on June 14, 2023 at 1:00 pm ET*

WARRINGTON, Pa., June 05, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windtree Therapeutics, Inc. ("Windtree" or "the Company") (NasdaqCM: WINT), a biotechnology company focused on advancing late-stage interventions for cardiovascular disorders, today announced it will host a virtual R&D and Investor Day on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 1:00 PM ET. The program will feature the Company's lead drug candidate, istaroxime, a first in class, dual-acting agent, being developed to treat cardiogenic shock and acute decompensated heart failure. Istaroxime is designed to improve systolic contraction and diastolic relaxation of the heart.

The event will feature insights from John Teerlink, MD, Director of Heart Failure and of the Echocardiography Laboratory, San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center and an active leader in US and European Heart Failure medical associations. Dr. Teerlink has been the principal investigator in many of the largest heart failure and cardiogenic shock studies and recently served a four-year term on the FDA's Cardiovascular and Renal Advisory Committee. Dr. Teerlink will discuss the unmet medical need and current treatment landscape for patients suffering from cardiogenic shock and severe heart failure – a condition with high mortality, morbidity and unmet need and put the unique profile of istaroxime and its data into perspective.

Members of Windtree's leadership team will present istaroxime early cardiogenic shock study data and provide insight into the istaroxime expanded development strategy and planned near-term milestones. Additionally, strategy related to acute heart failure, the follow-on oral, SERCA2a activators and business development will be discussed.

A live question and answer session will follow the presentations. The session will be available for replay on the Company's website [www.windtreetx.com](http://www.windtreetx.com). To register for the event, please click [here](#).

### **About John Teerlink, MD**

John Teerlink, MD, is Director of Heart Failure and of the Echocardiography Laboratory at the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center in San Francisco, California. He graduated from Swarthmore College with Highest Honors in Comparative Religious Studies and Cellular Biology. After receiving his medical degree from Harvard Medical School, where he performed a year of research in the laboratory of Drs. Janice and Marc Pfeffer, he completed an internal medicine residency at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF). He continued his basic science training through a post-doctoral research fellowship at Hoffman-LaRoche in Basel, Switzerland with Drs. Martine and Jean-Paul Clozel. Dr. Teerlink completed his cardiovascular medicine fellowship and a Howard Hughes post-doctoral research fellowship at UCSF, subsequently joining the faculty, where he currently is a Professor of Clinical Medicine.

Dr. Teerlink has been an active member of the Heart Failure Society of America, serving on many committees including the Membership, Scientific Program, Corporate Affairs, Development, Lifetime Achievement Award and Guideline Committees and currently serves as President and on the Board of Directors and the Executive Council. He has also served on the Acute Heart Failure Committee of the European Society of Cardiology Heart Failure Association and the National Committee on Heart Failure and Transplantation of the American Heart Association. He is a founding and charter physician member of the American Association of Heart Failure Nurses. Dr. Teerlink completed a four-year term as a permanent member of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Cardiovascular and Renal Drugs Advisory Committee, and frequently serves as an ad hoc member of multiple other FDA advisory committees and panels for medical devices, diagnostics, biologics and drugs. He is a member of the joint FDA/Duke University Standardized Data Collection for Cardiovascular Clinical Trials Initiative to develop standardized definitions for cardiovascular endpoints. He was an Associate Editor for the Journal of Cardiac Failure and a Guest Editor-in-Chief for JACC: Heart Failure, and is currently an Associate Editor for the European Journal of Heart Failure. He is a clinical scholar presenting many lectures and publications, including a chapter on Acute Heart Failure in Braunwald's Heart Disease textbook. He was profiled in The Lancet as an internationally recognized leader in heart failure.

### **About Istaroxime**

Istaroxime is a first-in-class dual mechanism therapy designed to improve both systolic and diastolic cardiac function. Istaroxime is a positive inotropic agent that increases myocardial contractility through inhibition of Na<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup> ATPase with a complimentary mechanism that facilitates myocardial relaxation through activation of the SERCA2a calcium pump on the sarcoplasmic reticulum enhancing calcium reuptake from the cytoplasm. Data from multiple Phase 2 studies in patients with acute heart failure (AHF) demonstrate that istaroxime infused intravenously significantly improves cardiac function and blood pressure without increasing heart rate or the incidence of cardiac rhythm disturbances.

### **About Windtree Therapeutics, Inc.**

Windtree Therapeutics, Inc. is advancing late-stage interventions for cardiovascular disorders to treat patients in moments of crisis. Using new scientific and clinical approaches, Windtree is developing a multi-asset franchise anchored around compounds with an ability to activate SERCA2a, with lead candidate, istaroxime, being developed as a first-in-class treatment for acute heart failure and for early cardiogenic shock. Windtree's heart failure platform includes follow-on pre-clinical SERCA2a activator assets as well. In pulmonary care, Windtree has focused on facilitating the transfer of the KL4 surfactant platform, to its licensees, Lee's Pharmaceutical (HK) Ltd. and Zhaoke Pharmaceutical (Hefei) Co. Ltd. Included in Windtree's portfolio is rostafuloxin, a novel precision drug product targeting hypertensive patients with certain genetic profiles.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company may, in some cases, use terms such as "predicts," "believes," "potential," "proposed," "continue," "estimates," "anticipates," "expects," "plans," "intends," "may," "could," "might," "will," "should" or other words that convey uncertainty of future events or outcomes to identify these forward-looking

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