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## **SPARC to present updated clinical data of vodobatinib (SCO-088) at the 63rd ASH annual meeting**

**MUMBAI – December 10, 2021**, Sun Pharma Advanced Research Company Ltd. (SPARC) (Reuters: SPRC.BO, Bloomberg: SPADV IN, NSE: SPARC, BSE: 532872), announced today that an abstract on updated safety and efficacy outcomes of vodobatinib in refractory chronic myeloid leukemia (CML) subjects has been selected for oral presentation at the 63rd American Society of Hematology (ASH) Annual Meeting. The Phase 1 study outcomes will be presented by Prof. Jorge Cortes, the Principal Investigator for the study, on Saturday, 11 Dec 2021. Results from the ongoing vodobatinib clinical study are being presented for the second consecutive year at the ASH annual meeting, underlining the promising potential of vodobatinib for the treatment of heavily pre-treated CML.

Vodobatinib is a novel, third generation, selective BCR-Abl1 tyrosine kinase inhibitor (TKI) developed by SPARC for the treatment of patients with CML who are resistant or intolerant to  $\geq 3$  TKIs or ineligible for TKIs. Majority of the CML patients enrolled in the Phase 1 study had failed  $\geq 3$  TKIs. Similar anti-leukemic activity (major cytogenetic response  $\geq 60\%$ ) was observed in CML-CP patients with or without prior ponatinib treatment. The current abstract provides longer term safety and efficacy updates to vodobatinib therapy. Vodobatinib has been granted Orphan Drug Designation for treatment of CML patients by USFDA and EMA. A Phase 2 study has been initiated and is recruiting globally.

"We look forward to presenting the data from the vodobatinib study at the 2021 ASH annual meeting. We are very encouraged by the anti-leukemic activity and safety profile of vodobatinib," said Siu-Long Yao, Executive Vice President, Clinical Development and Operations of SPARC.

Details of the oral presentation are as follows:

**An update of safety and efficacy results from Phase 1 dose-escalation and expansion study of Vodobatinib, a novel oral BCR-ABL1 Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor (TKI), in patients with Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML) and Philadelphia Chromosome Positive Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (Ph+ ALL) failing prior TKI therapies**

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Presenter: Prof Jorge Cortes, M.D.

Room: Georgia World Congress Center B304-B305

**About CML:**

Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML) is a myeloproliferative neoplasm that accounts for approximately 15% of newly diagnosed cases of leukemia in adults. Central to the pathogenesis of CML is the fusion of the Abelson murine leukemia (ABL1) gene on chromosome 9 with the Breakpoint Cluster Region (BCR) gene on chromosome 22. This rearrangement is known as the Philadelphia chromosome<sup>1</sup>. The American Cancer Society estimated that in the United States in 2018 there were about 8,430 new cases of CML (4,980 in men and 3,450 in women) and about 1,090 deaths due to CML (620 men and 470 women)<sup>2</sup>.

**About Vodobatinib (SCO-088):**

Vodobatinib is an investigational and selective BCR–Abl1 kinase inhibitor intended for the treatment of resistant Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML), including CML harboring BCR-Abl1 mutations<sup>3</sup>.

Vodobatinib has been granted Orphan Drug Designation for treatment of CML patients by USFDA and EMA.

**About SPARC (CIN: L73100GJ2006PLC047837):**

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