

Aptinyx Appoints Henry Gosebruch to Its Board of Directors

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Chief Strategy Officer at AbbVie and former co-head of J.P. Morgan's North American M&A Group becomes eighth member of Aptinyx board

EVANSTON, Ill., May 07, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aptinyx Inc. (Nasdaq: APTX), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing transformative therapies for the treatment of brain and nervous system disorders, today announced the election of Henry O. Gosebruch to its board of directors, effective as of May 6, 2019.

Since 2015, Mr. Gosebruch has served as executive vice president and chief strategy officer at AbbVie, a global biopharmaceutical company. As a member of AbbVie's Executive Team, he is responsible for corporate strategy, business development and acquisitions, search and evaluation, alliance management, early-stage collaborations, and the company's corporate strategic venture capital arm, AbbVie Ventures.

Prior to joining AbbVie, Mr. Gosebruch spent more than 20 years as a member of J.P. Morgan's North American M&A Group, most recently as its co-head.

"Henry's reputation precedes him and his exceedingly deep knowledge and expertise within life sciences adds significantly to the strength of our board," stated Norbert Riedel, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer of Aptinyx. "Across his successful 20-plus-year career at J.P. Morgan and his current position as Chief Strategy Officer at AbbVie, Henry has continued to prove himself as a leader in our industry, building an enviable track record of success. We look forward to leveraging his unique insights as we progress our pipeline of innovative NMDA receptor-modulating therapies."

Mr. Gosebruch currently serves as a member of the Advisory Board for the Life Sciences & Management Program at the University of Pennsylvania. He graduated from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

About Aptinyx

Aptinyx Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery, development, and commercialization of proprietary synthetic small molecules for the treatment of brain and nervous system disorders. Aptinyx has a platform for discovery of novel compounds that work through a unique mechanism to modulate—rather than block or over-activate—NMDA receptors and enhance synaptic plasticity, the foundation of neural cel communication. The company has three product candidates in clinical development in central nervous system indications, including chronic pain, post-traumatic stress disorder, and cognitive impairment associated with Parkinson's disease. Aptinyx is also advancing additional compounds from its proprietary discovery platform, which continues to generate a rich and diverse pipeline of small-molecule NMDA receptor modulators with the potential to treat an array of neurologic disorders. For more information, visit www.aptinyx.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this press release regarding matters that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Because such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the company's business plans and objectives, including future plans or expectations for the company's product candidates, therapeutic effects of the company's product candidates, expectations regarding the design, implementation, timing, and success of its current and planned clinical studies, and expectations regarding its uses and sufficiency of capital. Risks that contribute to the uncertain nature of the forward-looking statements include: the success, cost, and timing of the company's product candidate development activities and planned clinical studies; the company's ability to execute on its strategy; positive results from a clinical study may not necessarily be predictive of the results of future or ongoing clinical studies; regulatory developments in the United States and foreign countries; as well as those risks and uncertainties set forth in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018. All forward-looking statements contained in this press release speak only as of the date on which they were made. Aptinyx undertakes no obligation to update such statements to reflect events that occur or circumstances that exist after the date on which they were made.

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