

Candel Therapeutics Announces \$25 Million Non-dilutive Debt Financing Agreement with Silicon Valley Bank

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Additional capital extends cash runway into Q4 of 2023

NEEDHAM, Mass., March 01, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Candel Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: CADL) (the "Company" or "Candel"), a late clinical stage biopharmaceutical company developing novel oncolytic viral immunotherapies, today announced that it has entered into a loan and security agreement with Silicon Valley Bank for \$25 million, \$20 million of which will be available immediately. An additional \$5 million may be made available in the future if certain conditions and milestones are met. The loan agreement requires monthly payments of interest only for 24 months, after which the principal is repayable in 24 monthly payments. This financing extends the Company's cash runway into the fourth quarter of 2023.

"This access to additional capital positions us well ahead of important anticipated catalysts for the Company, including initial clinical data from the phase 2 clinical trial of CAN-2409 in non-small cell lung cancer, data from our phase 1 clinical trial of CAN-2409 in combination with Opdivo for the first-line treatment of high-grade glioma, data from our phase 1 clinical trial of CAN-3110 in recurrent high-grade glioma, and initiation of our phase 3 clinical trial of CAN-2409 in high-grade glioma," said Paul Peter Tak, MD, PhD, FMedSci, Chief Executive Officer of Candel. "We are especially pleased with the attractive terms and non-dilutive nature of this financing, which bolsters our cash position and provides additional operational flexibility."

About Candel Therapeutics

Candel is a late clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on helping patients fight cancer with oncolytic viral immunotherapies. Candel's engineered viruses are designed to induce immunogenic cell death through direct viral-mediated cytotoxicity in cancer cells, thus releasing tumor neo-antigens while creating a pro-inflammatory microenvironment at the site of injection. Candel has established two oncolytic viral immunotherapy platforms based on novel, genetically modified adenovirus and herpes simplex virus (HSV) constructs, respectively. CAN-2409 is the lead product candidate from the adenovirus platform and CAN-3110 is the lead product candidate from the HSV platform. The enLIGHTEN[™] Discovery Platform is based on Candel's HSV technology.

For more information about Candel, visit www.candeltx.com.

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