



## Spero Therapeutics Announces Proposed Public Offering

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 09, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Spero Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: SPRO), a multi-asset clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on identifying, developing and commercializing treatments in high unmet need areas involving multidrug-resistant (MDR) bacterial infections and rare diseases, today announced that it has commenced an underwritten public offering of 8,000,000 shares of common stock in the aggregate, consisting of an offering of shares of common stock (the "common stock offering") and shares of non-voting Series D Convertible Preferred Stock with each share of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock being convertible into 1,000 shares of common stock. All of the securities in the offering will be sold by Spero. In addition, Spero expects to grant the underwriters in the common stock offering a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 15% of the shares of common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discounts and commissions.

Spero intends to use the net proceeds from the offering, together with its existing cash and cash equivalents and committed funding from its existing BARDA contract and other non-dilutive funding commitments, to fund the advancement of tebipenem HBr through the filing of a New Drug Application (NDA) with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), through the NDA approval process and, if approved by the FDA, through its initial commercialization, the ongoing development of its pipeline products, and for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

Cowen and Company, LLC, Evercore Group, L.L.C. and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. are acting as joint book-running managers for the offering. Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. is acting as lead manager for the offering, and H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC is acting as co-manager for the offering. The offering is subject to market and other conditions, and there can be no assurance as to whether or when the offering may be completed, or as to the actual size or terms of the offering.

The offering is being made pursuant to a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 that was previously filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and declared effective by the SEC. The securities may be offered only by means of a prospectus. A preliminary prospectus supplement relating to the offering will be filed with the SEC. Copies of the preliminary prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained, when available, from Cowen and Company, LLC, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, Attention: Prospectus Department, by telephone at (833) 297-2926 or by email at [PostSaleManualRequests@broadridge.com](mailto:PostSaleManualRequests@broadridge.com); Evercore Group, L.L.C., Attention: Equity Capital Markets, 55 East 52nd Street, 35th Floor, New York, NY 10055, by telephone at (888) 474-0200, or by email at [ecm.prospectus@evercore.com](mailto:ecm.prospectus@evercore.com); and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co., Attention: Capital Markets, 499 Park Avenue, 5th Floor New York, New York 10022; Email: [prospectus@cantor.com](mailto:prospectus@cantor.com).

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### About Spero

Spero is a multi-asset, clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on identifying, developing and commercializing novel treatments for multi-drug resistant (MDR) bacterial infections and rare diseases.

### Forward-Looking Statements

Investors are cautioned that statements in this press release regarding the intention, completion, timing and option relating to the proposed public offering, the intended use of proceeds from the offering and Spero's future development plans for its product candidates and the timing and costs thereof constitute forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, risks and uncertainties related to market conditions and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions related to the proposed public offering and the uncertainties inherent in the research and clinical development process. There can be no assurance that Spero will be able to complete the proposed public offering. Additional information on risks facing Spero can be found under the heading "Risk Factors" in Spero's periodic reports, including its annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and in the preliminary prospectus relating to the proposed offering to be filed with the SEC, each available on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Spero expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in its expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statements are based.

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