

## **Coeptis Therapeutics Announces Deverra Therapeutics Has Received Two Life Science Start-Up and Development Awards and Associated Grant from Washington's Cancer Research Endowment**

*Grants totaling approximately \$3.5 million will support Deverra's CAR-NK and engineered myeloid cell programs in hematologic malignancies and solid tumors*

WEXFORD, Pa., Sept. 11, 2023 /PRNewswire/ -- Coeptis Therapeutics Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: COEP) ("Coeptis" or "the Company"), a biopharmaceutical company developing innovative cell therapy platforms for cancer, announced that Deverra Therapeutics, Inc. ("Deverra Therapeutics") was selected by the Andy Hill CARE Fund, Washington's Cancer Research Endowment, for two Life Science Start-Up and Development Awards. The recipients of the Life Science Start-up and Development awards were announced by the CARE Fund on June 8<sup>th</sup> following a competitive peer scientific review and selection process.

The grant funds totaling close to \$3.5 million will be used to support further pre-clinical work and product development plans for Deverra's CAR-NK and engineered myeloid cell programs in hematologic malignancies and solid tumors, respectively. Coeptis recently completed an exclusive license of key assets from Deverra Therapeutics related to its proprietary allogeneic stem cell expansion and directed differentiation platform for the generation of multiple distinct immune effector cell types, including natural killer (NK) and monocyte/macrophages.

The Life Science Start-up and Development grant was established by The Andy Hill Cancer Research Endowment (CARE) Fund to support early-stage companies and innovative researchers to translate promising research into the development of tools, devices, or therapeutics related to cancer. The Andy Hill CARE Fund, signed into law in 2015 strives to leverage Washington's existing cancer research facilities and talent to incentivize additional investment and to advance the biotech, medical device, and health care information technology industries in Washington. For more information about the Andy Hill CARE Fund, [click here](#).

"This competitive Life Science Start-Up award from the prestigious Andy Hill CARE Fund further acknowledges the high-level, innovative and important research that Deverra is progressing through pre-clinical/IND-enabling and clinical trials," said Dave Mehalick, President and CEO of Coeptis Therapeutics. "We congratulate the Deverra research and management teams and are excited by the potential to build synergies with Deverra's allogeneic, off-the-shelf NK and macrophage (MAC) immune effector cell platform and Coeptis' target specific CARs, which together potentially create opportunities to develop allogeneic NK and MAC cell therapies."

### **About Coeptis Therapeutics Holdings, Inc.**

Coeptis Therapeutics Holdings, Inc., together with its subsidiaries including Coeptis Therapeutics, Inc. and Coeptis Pharmaceuticals, Inc., (collectively "Coeptis"), is a biopharmaceutical company developing innovative cell therapy platforms for cancer that have the potential to disrupt conventional treatment paradigms and improve patient outcomes. Coeptis' product portfolio and rights are highlighted by assets licensed from Deverra Therapeutics, including an allogeneic cellular immunotherapy platform and DVX201, a clinical-stage, unmodified natural killer cell therapy technology. Additionally, Coeptis is developing a universal, multi-antigen CAR T technology licensed from the University of Pittsburgh (SNAP-CAR), and the GEAR™ cell therapy and companion diagnostic platforms, which Coeptis is developing with VyGen-Bio and leading medical researchers at the Karolinska Institutet. Coeptis' business model is designed around maximizing the value of its current product portfolio and rights through in-license agreements, out-license agreements and co-development relationships, as well as entering into strategic partnerships to expand its product rights and offerings, specifically those targeting cancer. The Company is headquartered in Wexford, PA. For more information on Coeptis visit <https://coeptistx.com/>.

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release and statements of our management made in connection therewith contain or may contain "forward-looking statements" (as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). Forward-looking statements include statements concerning our plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions, and other statements that are other than statements of historical facts. When we use words such as "may," "will," "intend," "should," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "estimate" or similar expressions that do not relate solely to historical matters, we are making forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not a guarantee of future performance and involve significant risks and uncertainties that may cause the actual results to differ materially and perhaps substantially from our expectations discussed in the forward-

looking statements. Factors that may cause such differences include but are not limited to: (1) the inability to maintain the listing of the Company's securities on the Nasdaq Capital Market; (2) the risk that the integration of the Deverra licensed assets will disrupt current plans and operations of the Company; (3) the inability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the newly-licensed assets, which may be affected by, among other things, competition, the ability of the Company to grow and manage growth economically and hire and retain key employees; (4) the risks that the Company's products in development or the newly-licensed assets fail clinical trials or are not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or other applicable regulatory authorities; (5) costs related to integrating the newly-licensed Deverra assets and pursuing the contemplated asset development paths; (6) changes in applicable laws or regulations; (7) the possibility that the Company may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors; and (8) the impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic on any of the foregoing risks and other risks and uncertainties identified in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The foregoing list of factors is not exclusive. All forward-looking statements are subject to significant uncertainties and risks including, but not limited, to those risks contained or to be contained in reports and other filings filed by the Company with the SEC. For these reasons, among others, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements in this press release. Additional factors are discussed in the Company's filings made or to be made with the SEC, which are available for review at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). We undertake no obligation to publicly revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that arise after the date hereof unless required by applicable laws, regulations, or rules.

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