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Biocept Awarded Patent in Canada for its Target Selector CTC Platform

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Further expands global patent estate for capturing and detecting biological targets of interest including rare cells such as circulating tumor cells (CTCs)

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 2, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- [Biocept, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: BIOC), a leading commercial provider of liquid biopsy tests designed to provide physicians with clinically actionable information to improve the outcomes of patients diagnosed with cancer, announces that it has been awarded Canadian Patent No. 2,658,336 entitled, Detection or Isolation of Target Molecules Using a Microchannel Apparatus. The issued patent covers the use of Biocept's proprietary microchannels for the capture and detection of any target of interest. These targets include proteins and nucleic acids, as well as the capture of cancer cells or other cells that can be used for molecular analysis in blood and other biological fluids.



"This patent issuance further expands the intellectual property protection of our liquid biopsy platform, which has the distinct advantage of using both CTCs and circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) to detect and monitor biomarkers associated with cancer," said Lyle Arnold, Ph.D., Chief Scientific Officer at Biocept. "This broad patent covers the capture and detection of virtually any target molecule of interest using our unique microchannel technology, which disrupts the flow of fluids to improve biomarker capture."

Michael Nall, Biocept's President and CEO, added, "Broadening global patent protection for our Target Selector liquid biopsy platform is key to our strategy as we seek to develop our liquid biopsy business in international markets. We now have 28 issued patents covering our core technologies and plan to further strengthen our intellectual property position in additional geographies."

About Biocept

Biocept, Inc. is a molecular diagnostics company with commercialized assays for lung, breast, gastric, colorectal and prostate cancers, and melanoma. The Company uses its proprietary liquid biopsy technology to provide physicians with clinically actionable information for treating and monitoring patients diagnosed with cancer. The Company's patented Target Selector™ liquid biopsy technology platform captures and analyzes tumor-associated molecular markers in both circulating tumor cells (CTCs) and in circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA). With thousands of tests performed, the platform has demonstrated the ability to identify cancer mutations and alterations to inform physicians about a patient's disease and therapeutic options. For additional information, please visit www.biocept.com.

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