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Biocept Awarded Patent in Hong Kong for its Target Selector Platform Using Antibodies and a Microchannel to Perform Liquid Biopsy

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Expands the Company's global patent estate for the capture and detection of rare cells of interest, including CTCs shed by solid tumors, in blood and other biofluids

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 24, 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 Hong Kong Patent No. HK1222901 entitled, DEVICES AND METHODS OF CELL CAPTURE AND ANALYSIS. The issued patent covers the use of antibodies for the capture of any cell of interest, including circulating tumor cells (CTCs), within a microchannel.



"The granting of this patent further expands globally Biocept's intellectual property protection for capturing and detecting any cell of interest," said Lyle Arnold, Ph.D., Chief Scientific Officer at Biocept. "It is of particular use to Biocept for the capture, detection, and interrogation of CTCs for biomarkers that may aid physicians in making informed treatment decisions for their patients diagnosed with cancer."

Michael Nall, Biocept's President and CEO, added, "Expanding Biocept's patent protection around the world is an important component of our strategy, and this new patent strengthens the opportunity to develop business in major Asian markets. We now have 29 issued patents for our core technologies and we intend to continue to broaden and leverage our intellectual property position as opportunities arise."

About Biocept

Biocept, Inc. is a molecular diagnostics company with commercialized assays for lung, breast, gastric, colorectal and prostate cancers, and melanoma. The Company leverages its proprietary liquid biopsy technology to provide physicians with clinically actionable information for treating and monitoring patients diagnosed with cancer. Biocept's patented Target Selector™ liquid biopsy technology platforms capture and analyze tumor-associated molecular markers on 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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