

## Renowned Lung Cancer Expert Fred R. Hirsch, M.D., Ph.D. Joins Biocept's Clinical Advisory Board

## Expands Company's advisory board of oncology and academic leaders to eight members

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 11, 2017 /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 cancer patients, announces that Fred R. Hirsch, M.D., Ph.D. has joined its Clinical Advisory Board. Dr. Hirsch is Professor of Medicine and Pathology at the University of Colorado Cancer Center.



"I am excited to join Biocept as a clinical advisor as the Company develops and expands its liquid biopsy offering," said Dr. Hirsch. "The ability to rapidly and non-invasively determine actionable biomarkers present in a patient's tumor can optimize personalized treatment. Biocept's use of highly sensitive assays for both circulating tumor cells (CTCs) and circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) to accomplish this is a novel approach that holds promise for improving cancer profiling and treatment."

"We welcome Dr. Hirsch to our Clinical Advisory Board and look forward to benefitting from his significant expertise in lung cancer," said Biocept's President and Chief Executive Officer Michael Nall. "Dr. Hirsch is a prominent figure in the clinical and academic communities focused on lung cancer, and has received numerous awards and authored hundreds of peer-reviewed papers. He is involved in studies of lung cancer diagnosis, staging, prevention, early detection and treatment that have favorably impacted the care of lung cancer patients, and his research has helped to identify and validate predictive markers for personalized lung cancer therapies.

"We are extremely proud of our ability to attract the leading advisors assembled on our Clinical Advisory Board in order to support our objective of improving the outcomes of patients with cancer," added Nall. "This group is playing an important advisory role in helping us understand how our tests are being used in a clinical setting and on other aspects of our business, as liquid biopsy moves toward standard of care."

## **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<sup>TM</sup> 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 <a href="https://www.biocept.com">www.biocept.com</a>.

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