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Cedars Sinai Uses AlloSure in Tocilizumab Trial

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Cedars Sinai enrolls first patient in a study that uses AlloSure to characterize patient response to therapy

BRISBANE, Calif., March 13, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- CareDx, Inc. (Nasdaq: CDNA), a molecular diagnostics company focused on the discovery, development and commercialization of clinically differentiated, high-value diagnostic solutions for transplant patients, today announces a partnership with the Cedars-Sinai Comprehensive Transplant Center to study the use of AlloSure to characterize response to therapy in kidney transplant recipients that are being treated for chronic antibody-mediated rejection (ABMR).

ABMR is recognized as the leading cause of late kidney transplant failure. Long-term graft survival has not improved, primarily due to late diagnosis and lack of effective therapeutic options. Cedars-Sinai is testing an Interleukin-6 blockade, tocilizumab, as a treatment for patients with ABMR. They will use AlloSure to optimize the therapy regime.

"This study will give us the opportunity to evaluate a novel biomarker with AlloSure in an effort to optimize management of kidney transplant recipients being treated for chronic ABMR," said Dr. Edmund Huang, a transplant nephrologist at Cedars-Sinai and principal investigator for this study. "Chronic ABMR continues to have a significant negative impact on long-term graft survival, although treatment with tocilizumab has shown great promise. We are very excited to see how AlloSure may be able to further guide tocilizumab treatment in these patients and improve long-term outcomes."

"We are glad to sponsor this investigator initiated trial at Cedars Sinai to help evaluate the efficacy of this new biologics-based drug therapy in a patient group that needs better solutions," said Jim Yee, Chief Medical Officer, CareDx. "Many physicians already have begun to use AlloSure to assess responses to rejection treatment. This

study will add knowledge specifically for tocilizumab to the body of evidence that is continuing to accumulate for such utility with AlloSure.”

About CareDx

CareDx, Inc., headquartered in Brisbane, California, is a molecular diagnostics company focused on the discovery, development and commercialization of clinically differentiated, high-value diagnostic solutions for transplant recipients. CareDx offers products along the pre- and post-transplant testing continuum, and is the leading provider of genomics-based information for transplant patients.

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