



## **HOOKIPA Pharma to Present Eseba-vec Combo in Frontline HNSCC as a Late-Breaker Poster Presentation at SITC 2024**

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**Society of Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) poster to be presented by collaborator from Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, Dr. Alan Ho, on November 9, 2024**

NEW YORK and VIENNA, Oct. 31, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- HOOKIPA Pharma Inc. (NASDAQ: HOOK) ("HOOKIPA" or the "Company"), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing next generation immunotherapeutics for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases, today announced that updated Phase 2 data for eseba-vec (HB200) plus pembrolizumab in first-line recurrent/metastatic HPV16-positive head and neck cancer will be presented as a late-breaking poster presentation at the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC 2024), taking place in Houston, Texas from November 8-10, 2024.

The poster will be presented by Alan Ho, MD, PhD, Chief of the Head and Neck Oncology Service at Memorial Sloan Cancer Center (MSKCC), a clinical collaborator of HOOKIPA.

### **Details of the poster presentation are:**

**Abstract Title:** Eseba-vec (HB-200) plus pembrolizumab as first-line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV16-positive head and neck cancer: updated results in PD-L1 CPS  $\geq$ 20 patients

**Presenter:** Dr. Alan Ho, MSKCC

**Session Date:** Saturday, November 9, 2024

**Session Time:** 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM CDT

**Late Breaking Abstract Number:** 1480

The poster will be available on November 9, 2024 on the HOOKIPA website on the "Scientific Publications" tab of the "Our Science" page.

### **About Eseba-vec**

Eseba-vec (also known as HB-200) is an investigational immunotherapeutic agent being evaluated for HPV16 positive cancers. The first indication for eseba-vec is for the potential treatment of patients with HPV16+ recurrent/metastatic oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma (R/M OPSCC) with a PDL1 CPS of 20 or higher, in combination with pembrolizumab, in the first line (1L) setting. Eseba-vec has received Fast Track Designation from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and PRIME designation from the European Medicines Agency for the treatment of 1L HPV16+ OPSCC. Eseba-vec was developed using HOOKIPA's proprietary arenavirus platform.

### **About HOOKIPA**

HOOKIPA Pharma Inc. (NASDAQ: HOOK) is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing next generation immunotherapeutics based on its proprietary arenavirus platform. The company's product candidates are designed to induce specific, robust and durable CD8+ T cells and antibodies to eliminate cancers and serious infectious diseases. HOOKIPA's pipeline includes biological therapies for oncology, targeting human papillomavirus type 16-positive (HPV16+) cancers, KRAS mutated cancers, and other targets. In addition, HOOKIPA has partnered with Gilead to develop therapies that are intended to provide functional cures for hepatitis B virus (HBV) and human immunodeficiency virus-1 (HIV-1). Find out more about HOOKIPA online at [www.hookipapharma.com](http://www.hookipapharma.com).

### **Availability of Other Information About HOOKIPA**

Investors and others should note that we announce material financial information to our investors using our investor relations website, [www.ir.hookipapharma.com](http://www.ir.hookipapharma.com), SEC filings, press releases, public conference calls and webcasts. We use these channels, as well as social media, to communicate with our investors and the public about our company, and other issues. It is possible that the information we post on social media could be deemed to be material information. Therefore, we encourage investors, the media, and others interested in our company to review the information we post on the social media channels listed on our investor relations website.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

Certain statements set forth in this press release constitute "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Forward-looking statements can be identified by terms such as "anticipates", "believes", "expects", "plans", "potential", "will", "would" or similar expressions and the negative of those terms. Forward-looking statements in this press release include HOOKIPA's statements regarding the potential of its product candidates to improve the care of the patients it seeks to treat. Such forward-looking statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could cause HOOKIPA's research and clinical development programs, future results, performance or achievements to differ significantly from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, the uncertainties inherent in the drug development process, including HOOKIPA's programs' early stage of development, the process of designing and conducting preclinical and clinical trials, plans and timelines for the preclinical and clinical development of its product candidates, including the therapeutic potential, clinical benefits and safety thereof, expectations regarding timing, success and data announcements of current ongoing preclinical and clinical trials, the ability to initiate new clinical programs, the risk that the results of current preclinical studies and clinical trials may not be predictive of future results in connection with current or future preclinical and clinical trials, including those for eseba-vec, HB-700, HB-400 and HB-500, the regulatory approval processes, the timing of regulatory filings, the challenges associated with manufacturing drug products, HOOKIPA's ability to successfully establish, protect and defend its intellectual property, and HOOKIPA's ability to continue as a going concern and other matters that could affect the sufficiency of existing cash to fund operations. HOOKIPA undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements. For a further description of the risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from those expressed in these

forward-looking statements, as well as risks relating to the business of the Company in general, see HOOKIPA's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023, as well as discussions of potential risks, uncertainties, and other important factors in HOOKIPA's subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which are available on the SEC's website at <https://sec.gov> and HOOKIPA's website at [www.hookipapharma.com](http://www.hookipapharma.com). All information in this press release is as of the date of the release, and HOOKIPA undertakes no duty to update this information unless required by law.

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