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## Sorrento Therapeutics CEO Dr. Henry Ji Invited to the Fourth International Vatican Conference on “Unite to Cure”

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SAN DIEGO, April 23, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. (NASDAQ:SRNE) ("Sorrento"), announced today that Dr. Henry Ji, Chairman and CEO, has been invited to participate as an expert panelist at the Fourth International Vatican Conference, in Vatican City, Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> (11:25 AM GMT+1) on the topic of "Preparing for the future in Cell Therapy" ( <http://vaticanconference2018.com>)

The global health care conference was started eight years ago. It aims to unite the world's thought leaders across all disciplines to engage in a powerful conversation about the future of medicine.

Dr. Ji will share his vision for the future of cellular immunotherapy using Sorrento's anti-CD38 and anti-BCMA CAR-T cell therapy programs for treatment of Multiple Myeloma as examples. He will cover breakthrough approaches to generate CAR-bearing immune cells for both hematological malignancies and solid tumors. Dr. Ji will also discuss the utilization of allogeneic cell sources, including placental immune cells as well as gamma/delta T cells, for improving patient access and potentially reducing cost of cell therapies. Here, Dr. Ji will use Sorrento's and its partner Celularity's programs as examples to address scalability of producing allogeneic "off-the-shelf" immune cells and its potential impact on the regulatory path of cellular immunotherapies.

"We are honored to be guests of this highly-respected council," stated Dr. Henry Ji. "We look forward to productive and stimulating exchanges with our peers and contributing to the advancement of the cell therapy field."

### About Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc.

Sorrento is a clinical stage, antibody-centric, biopharmaceutical company developing new therapies to turn malignant cancers into manageable and possibly curable diseases. Sorrento's multimodal multipronged approach to fighting cancer is made possible by its' extensive immuno-oncology platforms, including key assets such as fully human antibodies ("G-MAB™ library"), clinical stage immuno-cellular therapies ("CAR-T"), intracellular targeting antibodies ("ITAbs"), antibody-drug conjugates ("ADC"), and clinical stage oncolytic virus ("Sephrevir®").

Sorrento's commitment to life-enhancing therapies for cancer patients is also demonstrated by our effort to advance a first-in-class (TRPV1 agonist) non-opioid pain management small molecule in Resiniferatoxin ("RTX") and ZTlido™. Resiniferatoxin is completing a phase IB trial in terminal cancer patients. ZTlido was approved by US FDA on 02/28/18.

For more information visit [www.sorrentotherapeutics.com](http://www.sorrentotherapeutics.com)

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