



Zevra's Chief Medical Officer to Step Down for Personal Reasons as Part of Planned Transition

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BOSTON, June 11, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Zevra Therapeutics, Inc. (NasdaqGS: ZVRA) (Zevra, or the Company), a commercial-stage company focused on bringing life-changing therapeutics to people living with rare diseases, announced today that its Chief Medical Officer ("CMO") Adrian Quartel, M.D., FFPM, will be stepping down from his position due to personal reasons, effective July 3, 2026. Dr. Quartel will continue to support Zevra in a consulting capacity through December 31, 2026, while the Company conducts a search for its next CMO and ensures a seamless transition.

"On behalf of everyone at Zevra, we are grateful for the role Adrian played in advancing our mission and positioning us for success. Over the past several years, he has been a trusted partner, contributing to the FDA approval and commercial launch of MIPLYFFA, advancing celiprolol, and supporting the arimoclomol MAA submission," said Neil F. McFarlane, Zevra's Chief Executive Officer and President. "Adrian's contributions helped build a strong foundation for our next phase of growth, and we are well positioned to execute on our upcoming milestones and pipeline priorities."

Zevra remains on track with multiple regulatory milestones, including its Marketing Authorisation Application (MAA) for the evaluation of arimoclomol for the treatment of Niemann-Pick disease type C (NPC), which is currently under review by the European Medicines Agency. The Company is also conducting a Phase 3 trial of celiprolol for Vascular Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (VEDS) and is preparing for further dialogue in the second half of 2026 with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to potentially accelerate the development program.

"It has been a true privilege to be part of the Zevra team during such a pivotal time in the Company's history," said Dr. Quartel. "Working alongside a talented and dedicated team committed to advancing exceptional therapeutics for patients with rare diseases has been both professionally rewarding and personally meaningful. I am grateful for the opportunity to have contributed to Zevra's growth and evolution, and I leave with tremendous confidence in the Company's future."

About Zevra Therapeutics, Inc.

Zevra Therapeutics, Inc. is a commercial-stage company with a late-stage pipeline committed to redefining what is possible in bringing life-changing therapies to people living with rare diseases. The Company is focused on broadening access through geographic expansion opportunities, progressing its pipeline toward key milestones, and delivering meaningful therapeutics. The commercialization of its lead product, marketed in the U.S. for Niemann-Pick disease type C (NPC), a rare, progressive neurodegenerative disease, provides a strong corporate foundation and validates its ability to advance therapies from development to market. Zevra's vision is realized through disciplined execution of its strategic plan and core values — patient centricity, integrity, accountability, innovation, and courage — which guide its efforts to deliver long-term value.

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