Amylyx Pharmaceuticals Announces Formal Intention to Remove RELYVRIO®/ALBRIOZA™ from the Market; Provides Updates on Access to Therapy, Pipeline, Corporate Restructuring, and Strategy

- Based on topline results from the Phase 3 PHOENIX trial of AMX0035 in ALS, Amylyx has started a process with the FDA and Health Canada of voluntarily discontinuing the marketing authorizations for RELYVRIO/ALBRIOZA

- RELYVRIO/ALBRIOZA will no longer be available for new patients as of today; Patients currently on therapy in the U.S. and Canada who, in consultation with their physician, wish to continue can be transitioned to a free drug program; PHOENIX Open Label Extension is ongoing

- Amylyx continues to advance AMX0035 in Wolfram syndrome and in progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP), and AMX0114 in ALS

- Interim data from the Phase 2 HELIOS trial of AMX0035 for the treatment of Wolfram syndrome are expected this month and will be presented during a webcast on April 10, 2024

- Restructuring plan reduces workforce by approximately 70% to focus resources on key clinical and preclinical programs and extends expected cash runway into 2026, through anticipated data readouts for AMX0035 in Wolfram syndrome and PSP, and AMX0114 in ALS

Amylyx announced the Company has started a process with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Health Canada to voluntarily discontinue the marketing authorizations for RELYVRIO-/ALBRIOZA™ (sodium phenylbutyrate and taurursodiol [also known as ursodoxicoltaurine]; also known as AMX0035) and remove the product from the market in the U.S. and Canada based on topline results from the Phase 3 PHOENIX trial. RELYVRIO/ALBRIOZA will no longer be available for new patients as of today. Patients currently on therapy in the U.S. and Canada who, in consultation with their physician, wish to stay on treatment can be transitioned to a free drug program.
“While this is a difficult moment for the ALS community, we reached this path forward in partnership with the stakeholders who will be impacted and in line with our steadfast commitment to people living with ALS and other neurodegenerative diseases. The decision to remove RELYVRI/ALBRIOZA from the market and provide therapy free of charge for those who wish to continue was informed by the PHOENIX trial results, engagement with regulatory authorities, and discussions with the ALS community. Thank you to each and every person who shared feedback with us and continues to support our commitment to the ALS community,” said Joshua Cohen and Justin Klee, Co-CEOs of Amylyx.

Amylyx will continue to evaluate and share learnings from PHOENIX to help inform future ALS research. At this time, Amylyx intends to continue to collect available data on survival at the encouragement of ALS specialists. The PHOENIX Open Label Extension (OLE) is ongoing. Topline data from PHOENIX will be presented at the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) Annual Meeting in Denver and online, taking place April 13-18, 2024. The presentation is scheduled to occur on April 16, 2024, during the Clinical Trials Plenary Session (9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. MT) and will be made available on the “Publications and Presentations” section of the Company’s website following the conclusion of the presentation.

As part of the Company’s purpose to discover and develop innovative new treatment options for neurodegenerative diseases, Amylyx continues to advance two key programs investigating its lead asset AMX0035 in Wolfram syndrome and progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP), and AMX0114, an antisense oligonucleotide targeting calpain-2, in ALS.

“Our pipeline is supported by compelling clinical and preclinical science demonstrating the potential of AMX0035 and AMX0114 in neurodegenerative diseases. AMX0035 was designed to slow or mitigate neurodegeneration by targeting endoplasmic reticulum stress and mitochondrial dysfunction, two connected central pathways that lead to cell death and neurodegeneration. We are investigating AMX0035 in diseases where these two pathways are implicated, which includes Wolfram syndrome and progressive supranuclear palsy,” said Camille L. Bedrosian, MD, Chief Medical Officer of Amylyx. “We look forward to presenting interim data from our Phase 2 HELIOS study of AMX0035 in Wolfram syndrome, a rare, genetic, fatal neurodegenerative disease with no FDA-approved treatment options, later this month. In addition, our Phase 3 ORION study remains ongoing to evaluate AMX0035 for the treatment of progressive supranuclear palsy, a rare neurodegenerative disorder characterized as a tauopathy. We continue to plan for an interim analysis to evaluate the data from ORION that is now expected in mid-2025.”

Dr. Bedrosian continued, “We also remain focused on ALS and believe AMX0114 has strong potential for the treatment of ALS and other diseases. Calpain-2 is considered an essential protein in the process of axonal degeneration and has been repeatedly
linked to neurofilament biology in published studies. In our preclinical studies of AMX0114 and in multiple independent published studies, inhibition of calpain-2 has reduced cell death and degeneration and decreased neurofilament levels. We expect to initiate a clinical trial studying AMX0114 in ALS in the second half of this year.”

Amylyx also announced a restructuring to focus the Company’s financial resources on upcoming clinical milestones. The Company will reduce its workforce by approximately 70% and decrease external financial commitments outside of its priority areas. With these changes, Amylyx expects to have cash runway into 2026, which will allow the organization to deliver on key upcoming milestones, including data readouts from HELIOS (AMX0035 in Wolfram syndrome), ORION (AMX0035 in PSP), and its planned trial of AMX0114 in ALS.

“We are so thankful and grateful to our Amylyx team for their contributions and steadfast dedication,” said Cohen and Klee. “Together, the work we have accomplished across the world has helped build a vital foundation to achieve our mission of one day ending the suffering caused by neurodegenerative diseases, which continue to have critical, unaddressed needs.”

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