

## Cara Therapeutics to Announce Third Quarter 2017 Financial Results on November 2, 2017

STAMFORD, Conn., Oct. 26, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cara Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq:CARA), a biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing new chemical entities designed to alleviate pain and pruritus by selectively targeting peripheral kappa opioid receptors, today announced that the Company will host a conference call and live audio webcast on Thursday, November 2, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. ET to report third quarter 2017 financial results and provide a corporate update.

To participate in the conference call, please dial 855-445-2816 (domestic) or 484-756-4300 (international) and refer to conference ID 1853199. A live webcast of the call can be accessed under "Events and Presentations" in the News & Investors section of the Company's website at <a href="https://www.CaraTherapeutics.com">www.CaraTherapeutics.com</a>.

An archived webcast recording will be available on the Cara website beginning approximately two hours after the call.

## About Cara Therapeutics

Cara Therapeutics is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing new chemical entities designed to alleviate pain and pruritus by selectively targeting peripheral kappa opioid receptors (KORs). Cara is developing a novel and proprietary class of product candidates, led by CR845, a first-in-class KOR agonist that targets the body's peripheral nervous system. In Phase 2 trials, CR845 has demonstrated statistically significant reductions in itch intensity and concomitant improvement in quality of life measures in patients with moderate-to-severe chronic kidney disease-associated pruritus. Additionally, CR845 has demonstrated initial efficacy in patients with moderate-to-severe pain, without inducing many of the undesirable side effects typically associated with currently available opioid pain therapeutics.

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