



## Lexicon to Present Data at the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) Annual Meeting

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*Oral presentation highlights additional data from PROGRESS Phase 2b study of pilavapadin supporting selection of 10mg as optimal dose for Phase 3 development in DPNP*

*New data on spasticity further validates the broader potential importance of the AAK1 pathway in neurologic diseases*

THE WOODLANDS, Texas, April 17, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Lexicon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: LXRX) today announced that results from its PROGRESS Phase 2b study of pilavapadin in diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain (DPNP) supporting the selection of pilavapadin 10 mg as the optimal dose for Phase 3 development will be presented on Wednesday April 22, during the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) Annual Meeting. At the meeting, the company will also present results of an evaluation of pilavapadin on spasticity-related endpoints in preclinical models of multiple sclerosis and spinal cord injury. The congress is being held April 18-22 in Chicago, Illinois.

In a session titled "Additional Efficacy Data Support Selection of Pilavapadin 10 mg for Phase 3 Development in DPNP: Results From PROGRESS," Suma Gopinathan, Ph.D., Senior Vice President of Discovery at Lexicon, will present data from the study on pain outcomes as measured by the Brief Pain Inventory–Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (BPI-DPN) patient reported instrument. Pilavapadin 10 mg achieved a nominally significant reduction in Average Pain at Week 8 versus placebo, with concordant improvements in Worst and Least Daily Pain, as measured by BPI-DPN. The 10 mg dose was generally well-tolerated over 8 weeks, with completion rates comparable to placebo and few discontinuations due to treatment emergent adverse events (TEAEs). Overall, these results provide additional support for the advancement of pilavapadin 10 mg into Phase 3 evaluation in DPNP.

"We appreciate the opportunity to present additional efficacy data from the PROGRESS study to the neurology community," said Dr. Gopinathan. "These results demonstrate that pilavapadin 10 mg achieved a meaningful reduction in average pain at Week 8, with consistent improvements across other pain measures, supporting its advancement into Phase 3 development in diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain."

Presentation details:

- **Additional Efficacy Data Support Selection of Pilavapadin 10mg for Phase Three Development in DPNP: Results From PROGRESS** – Wednesday, April 22, at 12:03 p.m. CT, presentation S38.005. Session S38: Pain. Presented by Suma Gopinathan, Ph.D.

During AAN, Lexicon also will present data from studies evaluating pilavapadin on spasticity endpoints in preclinical models of multiple sclerosis and spinal cord injury.

Poster details:

- **Preclinical Evidence Supporting Pilavapadin as a Novel Oral Therapy for Spasticity** -- Monday, April 20, 8:00-9:00 a.m. CT, presentation P4010. Session Multiple Sclerosis: Clinical Science 1. Presented by Suma Gopinathan, Ph.D.

### About Pilavapadin

Pilavapadin is a potent, once-daily, orally administered, selective investigational small-molecule inhibitor of AP2-associated kinase 1 (AAK1), a novel target for neuropathic pain. Discovered using Lexicon's unique gene science approach through the Genome5000™ program, AAK1 was identified as a promising target for the treatment of neuropathic pain. Preclinical studies showed that pilavapadin penetrates the central nervous system and reduces pain behavior across multiple neuropathic pain models, without affecting opioid pathways.

### About the PROGRESS Study

The PROGRESS study commenced in December 2023 and enrolled 496 adult patients with a diagnosis of diabetes (type 1 or type 2) and moderate to severe DPNP. The study was placebo-controlled with a primary endpoint of change from baseline to Week 8 in average daily pain score (ADPS) as compared to placebo and evaluated three treatment groups receiving once daily pilavapadin doses of 10 mg, 20 mg or 20 mg for seven days followed by 10 mg thereafter. Study design permitted patients to remain on one stable-dose DPNP therapy (e.g. gabapentin, pregabalin or duloxetine) without withdrawing from therapies that, although inadequate, may have provided some benefit – aligning with how new DPNP drugs are likely to be used in practice.

**About Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathic Pain (DPNP)**

DPNP is a debilitating chronic complication of diabetes which can result in burning pain, numbness, and other symptoms in the hands, feet, legs and arms. There are approximately 9 million patients in the U.S. who are suffering with DPNP.

**About Lexicon Pharmaceuticals**

Lexicon is a biopharmaceutical company with a mission of pioneering medicines that transform patients' lives. Lexicon has a pipeline of drug candidates in discovery, preclinical, and clinical development in neuropathic pain, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), obesity and metabolic disorders, and other cardiometabolic indications. For additional information, please visit [www.lexpharma.com](http://www.lexpharma.com).

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