

Apellis Pharmaceuticals Announces Closing of its Initial Public Offering

CRESTWOOD, Ky., Nov. 13, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: APLS), a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of novel therapeutic compounds to treat disease through the inhibition of the complement system, today announced the closing of its initial public offering of 10,714,000 shares of common stock at a public offering price of \$14.00 per share. The total gross proceeds to Apellis were approximately \$150.0 million, before deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and expenses payable by Apellis. All of the shares were sold by Apellis. In addition, Apellis granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 1,607,100 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price, less underwriting discounts and commissions, to cover over-allotments, if any. The shares commenced trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the ticker symbol "APLS" on Thursday, November 9, 2017.

Citigroup, J.P. Morgan and Evercore ISI acted as joint book-running managers for the offering.

A registration statement relating to the securities sold in this offering was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 8, 2017. The offering was made only by means of a prospectus. When available, copies of the final prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained by contacting: Citigroup Global Markets Inc., c/o Broadridge Financial Services, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, telephone: 1-800-831-9146, or email: prospectus@citi.com; J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, telephone: (866) 803-9204; or Evercore Group L.L.C., Attention: Equity Capital Markets, 55 East 52nd Street, 36th Floor, New York, NY 10055, telephone: (888) 474-0200, or email: ecm.prospectus@evercore.com.

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About Apellis

Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of novel therapeutic compounds to treat disease through the inhibition of the complement system, which is an integral component of the immune system, at the level of C3, the central protein in the complement cascade.

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