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Aridis Pharmaceuticals to Host Fireside Chat with Analysts to Discuss 2021 Outlook for its Lead Programs and Novel mAb Discovery Platform on December 4th, 2020

SAN JOSE, Calif., Nov. 24, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Aridis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ARDS), a biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of novel anti-infective therapies to treat life-threatening infections, is pleased to announce a 75 minute "Fireside Chat Forum," with its five covering analysts will be held on December 4th, 2020 at 11:00AM EST. This virtual event is intended to provide a 2021 preview and plans for the Company's lead clinical programs, COVID-19 mAb programs, and ΛPEX™, its novel antibody discovery platform technology.

This uniquely formatted event will feature all of the Company's covering analysts, Louise Chen (Cantor Fitzgerald), Vernon Bernardino (H.C. Wainwright), Jason McCarthy (Maxim Group), Jonathan Aschoff (Roth Capital), and Carl Byrnes (Northland Securities) who will lead topic specific discussions with management to preview the year ahead (2021) for the following assets:

- **AR-301:** Currently enrolling a Phase 3 global clinical trial in patients with ventilator associated pneumonia (VAP) including patients who presented with VAP secondary to ventilator placement for COVID-19. Interim data expected in 1H 2021; full data in YE 2021.
- **AR-501:** On-going Phase 2 clinical trial for treating chronic lung infections in patients with cystic fibrosis (CF). Study completion expected in 2H 2021.
- **ΛPEX™ Technology Platform:** Rapidly identifies rare, potent antibody-producing B-cells from patients who have successfully overcome an infection, and to rapidly manufacture mAbs for therapeutic treatment of critical infections.
- **COVID-19 (AR-711 & 701):** Developing inhaled, self-administered, at-home treatment for mild-to-moderate condition (AR-711). A clinical Phase 1/2 study to be launched in 1H 2021. Continuing characterization of monoclonal antibody cocktail (AR-701) for intravenous inpatient treatment for moderate-severe indications.

"It is a pleasure to host this forum as it will offer efficient, yet comprehensive perspectives from leading Wall Street analysts on our programs and cutting-edge technology platform, especially in light of the current pandemic and on-going challenges facing the medical and science communities around emerging life-threatening infections," commented Vu Truong, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer of Aridis Pharmaceuticals.

Additional details and registration can be accessed with this link or by visiting Aridis' website, https://investors.aridispharma.com/events.

About Aridis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Aridis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. discovers and develops anti-infectives to be used as add-on treatments to standard-of-care antibiotics. The Company is utilizing its proprietary ΛPEX™ and MabIgX® technology platforms to rapidly identify rare, potent antibody-producing B-cells from patients who have successfully overcome an infection, and to rapidly manufacture monoclonal antibody (mAbs) for therapeutic treatment of critical infections. These mAbs are already of human origin and functionally optimized for high potency by the donor's immune system; hence, they technically do not require genetic engineering or further optimization to achieve full functionality.

The Company has generated multiple clinical stage mAbs targeting bacteria that cause life-threatening infections such as ventilator associated pneumonia (VAP) and hospital acquired pneumonia (HAP), in addition to preclinical stage antiviral mAbs. The use of mAbs as anti-infective treatments represents an innovative therapeutic approach that harnesses the human immune system to fight infections and is designed to overcome the deficiencies associated with the current standard of care which is broad spectrum antibiotics. Such deficiencies include, but are not limited to, increasing drug resistance, short duration of efficacy, disruption of the normal flora of the human microbiome and lack of differentiation among current treatments. The mAb portfolio is complemented by a non-antibiotic novel mechanism small molecule anti-infective candidate being developed to treat lung infections in cystic fibrosis patients. The Company's pipeline is highlighted below:

Aridis' Pipeline
AR-301 (VAP). AR-301 is a fully human IgG1 mAb currently in Phase 3 clinical development targeting gram-positive *Staphylococcus aureus* (*S. aureus)* alpha-toxin in VAP patients.

AR-101 (HAP). AR-101 is a fully human immunoglobulin M, or IgM, mAb in Phase 2 clinical development targeting *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (*P. aeruginosa)* liposaccharides serotype O11, which accounts for approximately 22% of all *P. aeruginosa* hospital acquired pneumonia cases worldwide.

AR-501 (cystic fibrosis). AR-501 is an inhaled formulation of gallium citrate with broad-spectrum anti-infective activity being developed to treat chronic lung infections in cystic fibrosis patients. This program is currently in a Phase 1/2a clinical study in healthy volunteers and CF patients.

AR-401 (blood stream infections). AR-401 is a fully human mAb preclinical program aimed at treating infections caused by gram-negative *Acinetobacter baumannii*.

AR-701 (COVID-19). AR-701 is a cocktail of fully human mAbs discovered from convalescent COVID-19 patients that are directed at multiple envelope proteins of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

AR-711 (COVID-19). AR-711 is an in-licensed mAb that is directed against the receptor binding domain of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The agent has the potential to be delivered both intravenously and by inhalation using a nebulizer.

AR-201 (RSV infection). AR-201 is a fully human IgG1 mAb out-licensed preclinical program aimed at neutralizing diverse clinical isolates of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

For additional information on Aridis Pharmaceuticals, please visit https://aridispharma.com/.

Forward-Looking Statements
Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. These statements may be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "forecast," "estimated" and "intend" or other similar terms or expressions that concern Aridis' expectations, strategy, plans or intentions. These forward-looking statements are based on Aridis' current expectations and actual results could differ materially. There are a number of factors that could cause actual events to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, the need for additional financing, the timing of regulatory submissions, Aridis' ability to obtain and maintain regulatory approval of its existing product candidates and any other product candidates it may develop, approvals for clinical trials may be delayed or withheld by regulatory agencies, risks relating to the timing and costs of clinical trials, risks associated with obtaining funding from third parties, management and employee operations and execution risks, loss of key personnel, competition, risks related to market acceptance of products, intellectual property risks, risks related to business interruptions, including the outbreak of COVID-19 coronavirus, which could seriously harm our financial condition and increase our costs and expenses, risks associated with the uncertainty of future financial results, Aridis' ability to attract collaborators and partners and risks associated with Aridis' reliance on third party organizations. While the list of factors presented here is considered representative, no such list should be considered to be a complete statement of all potential risks and uncertainties. Unlisted factors may present significant additional obstacles to the realization of forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those described or implied by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including, without limitation, market conditions and the factors described under the caption "Risk Factors" in Aridis' 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 and Aridis' other filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements included herein are made as of the date hereof, and Aridis does not undertake any obligation to update publicly such statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

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