

## **Bristol-Myers Squibb Awards “Golden Tickets” for LabCentral to Neutrolis, Remora Therapeutics**

(Princeton, NJ and Cambridge, MA – November 28, 2017) – Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) and LabCentral, an innovative, shared laboratory space designed as a launchpad for life-sciences and biotech startups, today announced that Neutrolis and Remora Therapeutics are the winners of Bristol-Myers Squibb’s 2017 Golden Tickets for LabCentral. As a platinum sponsor of LabCentral, Bristol-Myers Squibb can select up to two innovative life-sciences and biotech startup companies per year of active sponsorship for “Golden Tickets,” which underwrite the cost of one lab bench for one year in LabCentral’s Kendall Square facility.

“We are delighted to award Golden Tickets to Neutrolis and Remora Therapeutics, two emerging, innovative companies with significant scientific potential,” said Carl Decicco, Ph.D., Head of Discovery at Bristol-Myers Squibb. “The winners align with our commitment to enabling scientific innovation in our research areas of focus. We look forward to seeing these promising companies advance their research programs at LabCentral. Our sponsorship of LabCentral has facilitated important collaborations between Bristol-Myers Squibb researchers and the Cambridge community, as we prepare for our research site opening in Cambridge next year.”

Neutrolis is a preclinical drug discovery company focused on researching new potential treatment options for inflammatory diseases where uncontrolled neutrophilic inflammation may be implicated, such as lupus and sepsis. Neutrophils are the predominant white blood cells present during acute inflammation. When patients are unable to regulate this inflammatory process, it can lead to worsening of disease. Using its proprietary genetic technology platform, Neutrolis is developing therapeutics with the goal of neutralizing excessive neutrophilic inflammation, as well as companion diagnostics to identify patients who are most likely to benefit from such therapeutics.

Remora Therapeutics is a preclinical-stage biotechnology company focused on developing novel platelet-based cell therapies. Platelets are best known for their role in blood clotting, but they are also involved in the pathogenesis of many major human diseases, including cancer and conditions of autoimmunity. Remora's proprietary technology is designed to engineer platelets to fight disease, and improve the quality of life for patients living with debilitating illness.

“Bristol-Myers Squibb's first two Golden Ticket winners, PanTher and Suono Bio, have each met important research milestones and have been terrific contributors to the LabCentral community,” commented LabCentral Cofounder and President Johannes Fruehauf, M.D., Ph.D. “We are pleased to welcome Neutrolis and Remora Therapeutics – impressive startups – and we expect that they will likewise thrive here.”

### **About Bristol-Myers Squibb**

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a global biopharmaceutical company whose mission is to discover, develop and deliver innovative medicines that help patients prevail over serious diseases. For more information about Bristol-Myers Squibb, visit us at [BMS.com](http://BMS.com) or follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#).

### **About LabCentral ([www.labcentral.org](http://www.labcentral.org) ; twitter @labcentral)**

LabCentral is a first-of-its-kind shared laboratory workspace in the heart of the Kendall Square, Cambridge, biotech innovation hub. Designed as a launchpad for high-potential life-sciences and biotech startups, it offers everything startups need to begin laboratory operations on day one and move their science forward faster and more cost-efficiently. This includes: fully permitted laboratory and office space, first-class facility and administrative support, skilled laboratory personnel, a domain-relevant expert speaker series – as well as the other critical services and support. A private, nonprofit institution, LabCentral's first site opened in 2013, thanks to a capital grant from the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center, with support from its real-estate partner, MIT. Founding sponsors include Triumvirate Environmental and Johnson & Johnson Innovation. To accommodate demand for its growing startups, LabCentral, with support from Pfizer, Inc., plans to open *LabCentral 610* in December 2017. In 2018, LabCentral will have

capacity to serve a total of ~450 scientists and entrepreneurs in about 70 companies across its two-building campus.

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