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Artelo, Syngene, Aptus enter into global R&D partnership

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Singapore- Artelo Biosciences, a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of therapeutic treatments that modulate the endocannabinoid system, announced that it has entered into a global research and development partnership with Syngene International Ltd. (Syngene), an India-based integrated discovery-development service provider, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Trinity Research and Development Limited, and Aptus Clinical Ltd. (Aptus), a specialist UK-based Clinical Contract Research Organization with particular expertise in oncology, rare diseases and advanced therapies. The partnership will focus on supporting the drug discovery and clinical development of ART27.13, Artelo's Phase 2 ready, high-potency dual cannabinoid agonist, in oncology.

"ART27.13 represents an important new therapeutic class of anti-cancer medicine. While a lot is already known about the drug's pre-clinical and clinical profile, we believe working alongside proven global talent will ensure that our new insights into ART27.13 are rapidly transitioned into the clinic," said Andrew Yates, PhD, ART27.13 Program Leader. "This partnership is a premier example of how global partners with a common interest can be harnessed inside the exciting R&D environment in the United Kingdom."

As part of the agreement, Syngene will be the discovery and development partner providing a pre-clinical data package to support the advancement of ART27.13 for anti-cancer indications. Aptus Clinical will develop and design an anti-cancer clinical study that is scientifically credible, ethically acceptable and operationally deliverable. It will also provide clinical development and regulatory expertise to the partnership. Previously, Artelo established its UK subsidiary at the Alderley Park BioHub in Cheshire, where Dr. Yates directs the ART27.13 program.