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## **Merrimack to Participate in Pancreatic Cancer Panel at the 2013 BIO CEO & Investor Conference**

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 7, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Merrimack Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq:MACK) today announced that Peter Laivins, Vice President of Late Stage Clinical Development and Project Leader for MM-398, will serve as a panelist in the "Oncology: Pancreatic Cancer" panel at the BIO CEO & Investor Conference on Monday, February 11, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. (ET) at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, New York.

### **About MM-398**

MM-398 is a novel, stable nanoliposomal encapsulation of the conventional chemotherapy irinotecan. MM-398 is designed to optimize the delivery of irinotecan by extending the duration of circulation in the body and preferentially activating the drug within the tumor to achieve higher levels of the active drug, SN-38. NAPOLI-1 is a global, randomized, open label Phase 3 trial testing MM-398 as a monotherapy and MM-398 in combination with 5-FU/LV compared with the shared control arm of 5-FU/LV. The study is designed to enroll 405 patients at over 100 sites in North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and South Africa. The Global Principal Investigator is Daniel von Hoff, M.D., F.A.C.P. of TGen, University of Arizona, Mayo Clinic and Scottsdale Healthcare. For a complete list of study sites, please visit [www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov).

### **About Merrimack**

Merrimack is a biopharmaceutical company discovering, developing and preparing to commercialize innovative medicines paired with companion diagnostics for the treatment of serious diseases, with an initial focus on cancer. Merrimack applies Network Biology, its proprietary systems biology-based approach to biomedical research, throughout the research and development process. Merrimack currently has six targeted therapeutic oncology candidates in clinical development.

### **Forward-looking statements**

Any statements in this press release about future expectations, plans and prospects for Merrimack constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. Merrimack anticipates that subsequent events and developments will cause its views to change. However, while Merrimack may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, Merrimack specifically disclaims any obligation to do so.

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