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MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA 7 September 2023: Arovella Therapeutics Ltd (ASX: ALA), a biotechnology company focused on developing its invariant Natural Killer T (iNKT) cell platform to treat cancer, announces that David Simmonds, Non-Executive Director, will retire from the Board of Directors at the 2023 Annual General Meeting, expected to be held on 10 November, and will not stand for re-election.

Mr Simmonds was appointed to the Board of Directors in March 2019. Since that time, he has served the company admirably and played an important role in the Company's transition to focus on its iNKT cell therapy platform for cancer treatment.

Arovella's CEO and MD, Dr Michael Baker, commented: "David Simmonds joined the Company at an important phase of its evolution. With his support and guidance, we have been able to successfully cement our place as a cell therapy player for the treatment of blood cancers and solid tumours. I would personally like to thank David for his contributions and wish him the very best for his future endeavours."

Arovella's Chairman, Dr Tom Duthy, commented: "The role that David played was instrumental in forging Arovella's more recent focus as a highly differentiated cell therapy Company. It was a pleasure working with David as a Board member since joining the Company and on behalf of all Directors and staff of Arovella wish David much success moving forward."

Release authorised by the Board of Directors of Arovella Therapeutics Limited.

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About Arovella Therapeutics Ltd

Arovella Therapeutics Ltd (ASX: ALA) is a biotechnology company focused on developing its invariant natural killer T (iNKT) cell therapy platform from Imperial College London to treat blood cancers and solid tumours. Arovella is also expanding its DKK1-peptide targeting technology licenced from MD Anderson and used in conjunction with its iNKT cell therapy platform. Arovella's lead product is ALA-101. ALA-101 consists of CAR19-iNKT cells that have been modified to produce a Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) that targets CD19. CD19 is an antigen found on the surface of numerous cancer types. iNKT cells also contain an invariant T cell receptor (iTCR) that targets α -GalCer bound CD1d, another antigen found on the surface of several cancer types. ALA-101 is being developed as an allogeneic cell therapy, which means it can be given from a healthy donor to a patient.

Glossary: iNKT cell – invariant Natural Killer T cells; CAR – Chimeric Antigen Receptor that can be introduced into immune cells to target cancer cells; TCR – T cell receptors are a group of proteins found on immune cells that recognise fragments of antigens as peptides bound to MHC complexes; B-cell lymphoma – A type of cancer that forms in B cells (a type of immune system cell); CD1d – Cluster of differentiation 1, which is expressed on some immune cells and cancer cells; aGalCer – alpha-galactosylceramide is a specific ligand for human and mouse natural killer T cells. It is a synthetic glycolipid.

The Company is also commercialising ZolpiMist™ to treat short-term insomnia.

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