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TaiRx, Inc. Contracts with Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago to Test Novel Anti-cancer Drug

Taipei, Taiwan: Chicago, Illinois - TaiRx, Inc. and researchers at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Research Center have announced a contractual arrangement for the assessment of molecular mechanisms underlying TRX-818 suppression of tumor cell vasculogenic mimicry. Specifically, TRX-818 will be evaluated for its ability to target key signaling pathways involved in the *de novo* formation of tumor cell-derived vascular networks (which ultimately facilitate tumor growth and metastasis). These data will provide critical foundational observations necessary for the preparation of a regulatory submission to the FDA.

TaiRx, Inc., established in 2011, is a privately-held company focused on developing novel drug products for patients with difficult to treat diseases such as cancer and sepsis. The TaiRx team has extensive experience and knowledge in new drug development and is specialized in the rapid development of unique drug candidates into phase II proof-of-concept clinical study or new drug application stage, which significantly increases the product value. TaiRx has successfully developed 60 key prescription pharmaceutical products launched globally including 17 blockbuster drugs.

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Research Center is the research arm of Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago and a center of excellence for Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. The mission of the Research Center is to generate new knowledge leading to advancements in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases that affect children's health through adolescence and adulthood. Multidisciplinary teams of physicians, scientists, technicians, nurses and trainees are committed to making discoveries that will improve the lives of children and their families. Lurie Children's is ranked in the top 10 of children's best hospitals in the U.S.

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