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## **NewLink Genetics Announces Presentation of Two Abstracts at ASCO**

AMES, Iowa, April 21, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>NewLink Genetics Corporation</u> (NASDAQ:NLNK), a biopharmaceutical company focused on bringing novel immuno-oncology therapies to patients with cancer, today reported that two abstracts will be presented at the 2017 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting in Chicago.

- Abstract 105 A Phase 1b dose-escalation study of combined inhibition of IDO1 (GDC-0919) and PD-L1 (atezolizumab) in patients (pts) with locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors, to be presented by our partner on Sunday, June 4, 2017, 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m. ET.
- Abstract 3066 A Phase 2 randomized, double-blind study of sipuleucel-T followed by IDO pathway inhibitor, indoximod, or placebo in the treatment of patients with metastatic castration resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC), to be presented on Monday, June 5, 2017, 9:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. ET.

The complete text of the abstracts will be posted online at 5:00 p.m. ET on Wednesday, May 17.

## **About NewLink Genetics Corporation**

NewLink Genetics is a biopharmaceutical company at the forefront of discovering, developing and commercializing novel immuno-oncology product candidates to improve the lives of patients with cancer. NewLink Genetics' product candidates are designed to harness multiple components of the immune system to combat cancer. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.newlinkgenetics.com">http://www.newlinkgenetics.com</a>.

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