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POSITIVE FDA TYPE D MEETING OUTCOME

Highlights:

- **Positive feedback on reagent testing requirements during Type D meeting with US FDA**
- **Arovella expects to file its IND application for ALA-101 in the current quarter**

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA 28 October 2025: Arovella Therapeutics Ltd (ASX: ALA), a biotechnology company focused on developing its invariant Natural Killer T (iNKT) cell therapy platform, is pleased to announce that it has today held a Type D meeting with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and received positive feedback on testing requirements for a critical reagent used in its CAR-iNKT manufacturing process. The agency provided clear guidance on testing requirements for the reagent and Arovella has already completed much of the testing required.

The Company is now working to generate the additional data requested by the FDA and expects to file its IND application for ALA-101 before the end of CY25.

Arovella's CEO and MD, Dr Michael Baker, commented, "We are pleased with the feedback from the FDA which confirms our pathway to IND. Taking the time to engage with the agency has provided us with valuable and constructive feedback, enabling us to move forward with confidence in submitting our IND application this quarter and progressing ALA-101 into clinic early in 2026."

ALA-101 is a next-generation "off-the-shelf" CAR-iNKT cell therapy that targets CD19+ B cell lymphomas and leukaemias. CD19 is an antigen found on the surface of many blood cancers. Certain blood cancers also express CD1d, which when bound to a glycolipid, can be recognised by iNKT cells, making CAR-iNKT cells dual targeting.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:**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'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 glycolipid 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. Arovella is also expanding into solid tumour treatment through its CLDN18.2-targeting technology licensed from Sparx Group. Arovella will also incorporate its IL-12-TM technology into its solid tumour programs.

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; **αGalCer** – alpha-galactosylceramide is a specific ligand for human and mouse natural killer T cells. It is a synthetic glycolipid.

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