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CARDIOME HIGHLIGHTS PARTNER STEADYMED'S AGREEMENT WITH FDA ON PATHWAY TO TREVYENT NDA RESUBMISSION

NDA Expected to be Filed and Accepted by the End of 2018

Vancouver, Canada, December 11, 2017 – Cardiome Pharma Corp. (NASDAQ:CRME / TSX:COM), a revenue-generating, specialty pharmaceutical company focused on commercializing hospital drugs, today highlighted that its partner SteadyMed Therapeutics (NASDAQ:STDY) has reached agreement with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on the work necessary to resubmit the New Drug Application (NDA) for Trevyent® for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH).

Based on written feedback received from the FDA, SteadyMed indicated that is not required to conduct any clinical trials to prove the safety or efficacy of Trevyent and that the FDA has agreed that certain *in vitro* design verification (DV) tests on the final to-be-marketed Trevyent product, supported by pharmacokinetic modelling and process validation, should be adequate for the resubmission and acceptance of the 505(b)(2) NDA. SteadyMed has stated their expectation that the results of this *in vitro* DV testing will be available around mid-2018 and that they expect to both NDA submission and acceptance to occur before the end of 2018. Cardiome plans to submit regulatory filings for Trevyent in Europe and Canada shortly following SteadyMed's NDA resubmission to the FDA.

William Hunter, MD, CEO and President of Cardiome stated, "Gaining clarity on the Trevyent NDA pathway and timing is an important, positive development for both SteadyMed and Cardiome. We believe Trevyent represents a better way to deliver treprostinil to patients around the world who are suffering from PAH and we will continue to work diligently to prepare our planned regulatory filings for Europe and Canada, which we expect to submit shortly following SteadyMed's NDA filing to the U.S. FDA."

About Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

Pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) is a type of high blood pressure that occurs in the right side of the heart and in the arteries that supply blood to the lungs. PAH worsens over time and is life-threatening because the pressure in a patient's pulmonary arteries rises to dangerously high levels, putting a strain on the heart. There is no cure for PAH, but several medications are available to treat symptoms, such as the market-leading prostacyclin PAH therapy, Remodulin® (treprostinil sodium), which is produced by United Therapeutics Corporation. The annual cost of Remodulin

is reported to be between approximately \$125,000 and \$175,000 per patient and United Therapeutics reported Remodulin revenues of \$602 million in 2016.

About Trevyent®

Designed to address the limitations of existing pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) therapies, SteadyMed's Trevyent is an investigational drug product which combines a preservative-free, parenteral formulation of treprostinil, a vasodilatory prostacyclin analogue, with SteadyMed's proprietary PatchPump®. Trevyent is a sterile, pre-filled, pre-programmed, single use disposable infusion system that is in development for the initial indication of continuous subcutaneous infusion of treprostinil for the treatment PAH. Cardiome licensed the commercial rights to Trevyent for the international markets of Europe, Canada and the Middle East and plans to file regulatory submissions for Trevyent in Europe and Canada following SteadyMed's filing of a New Drug Application in the U.S. in 2018.

About Cardiome Pharma Corp.

Cardiome Pharma Corp. is a revenue-generating, specialty pharmaceutical company focused on providing innovative, high-quality brands that meet the needs of acute care physicians and patients. With a commercial presence and distribution network covering over 60 countries worldwide, Cardiome develops, acquires and commercializes brands for the in-hospital, acute care market segment. The Company's portfolio of approved and marketed brands includes: Xydalba™ (dalbavancin hydrochloride), for the treatment of acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections (ABSSSI); Zevtera®/Mabelio® (ceftobiprole medocartil sodium), a cephalosporin antibiotic for the treatment of community- and hospital-acquired pneumonia (CAP, HAP); Brinavess® (vernakalant IV) for the rapid conversion of recent onset atrial fibrillation to sinus rhythm; Aggrastat® (tirofiban hydrochloride) for the reduction of thrombotic cardiovascular events in patients with acute coronary syndrome, and Esmocard® and Esmocard Lyo® (esmolol hydrochloride), a short-acting beta-blocker used to control rapid heart rate in a number of cardiovascular indications. Cardiome's pipeline of product candidates includes Trevyent®, a drug device combination that is designed to deliver Treprostinil, the world's leading treatment for pulmonary arterial hypertension.

Cardiome is traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market (CRME) and the Toronto Stock Exchange (COM). For more information, please visit our web site at www.cardiome.com.

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