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GW Pharmaceuticals plc Announces the Closing of Public Offering of ADSs Raising Gross Proceeds of \$317.4 Million and Full Exercise of Underwriter's Option to Purchase Additional ADSs

LONDON, Dec. 11, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- GW Pharmaceuticals plc (Nasdaq:GWPH) ("GW" or the "Company"), a biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering, developing and commercializing novel therapeutics from its proprietary cannabinoid product platform, announced today the closing of the previously announced underwritten public offering on the Nasdaq Global Market by GW of 2,400,000 American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") and the full exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase 360,000 additional ADSs from GW at a price to the public of \$115.00 per ADS, raising gross proceeds of \$317,400,000 (before deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and offering expenses).

Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, Morgan Stanley, BofA Merrill Lynch and Cowen acted as joint book-running managers for the offering.

The ADSs described above were offered by GW pursuant to a shelf registration statement filed by GW with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that became automatically effective on April 17, 2017. A prospectus supplement related to the offering has been filed with the SEC and is available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of the prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus relating to this offering may be obtained from Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, Attention: Prospectus Department, 200 West Street, New York, NY 10282, telephone: 1-866-471-2526, facsimile: 212-902-9316 or by emailing prospectusgroup-ny@ny.email.gs.com; Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, Attention: Prospectus Department, 180 Varick Street, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10014; BofA Merrill Lynch, NC1-004-03-43, 200 North College Street, 3rd Floor, Charlotte, NC 28255-0001, Attention: Prospectus Department, email: dq.prospectus_requests@baml.com; or from Cowen and Company, LLC, c/o Broadridge Financial Services, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY, 11717, Attn: Prospectus Department, telephone: 1-631-274-2806.

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About GW Pharmaceuticals plc

Founded in 1998, GW is a biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering, developing and commercializing novel therapeutics from its proprietary cannabinoid product platform in a broad range of disease areas. GW, along with its U.S. subsidiary, Greenwich Biosciences, is advancing an orphan drug program in the field of childhood epilepsy with a focus on

Epidiolex (cannabidiol), for which GW has submitted an NDA to the FDA for the adjunctive treatment of LGS and Dravet syndrome. The Company continues to evaluate Epidiolex in additional epilepsy conditions and currently has ongoing clinical trials in Tuberous Sclerosis Complex and Infantile Spasms. GW commercialized the world's first plant-derived cannabinoid prescription drug, Sativex® (nabiximols), which is approved for the treatment of spasticity due to multiple sclerosis in numerous countries outside the United States. The Company has a deep pipeline of additional cannabinoid product candidates which includes compounds in Phase 1 and 2 trials for glioblastoma, schizophrenia and epilepsy.

Forward-looking statements

This news release may contain forward-looking statements that reflect GW's current expectations regarding future events, including statements regarding financial performance, the timing of clinical trials, the timing and outcomes of regulatory or intellectual property decisions, the relevance of GW products commercially available and in development, the clinical benefits of Epidiolex® (cannabidiol), the safety profile and commercial potential of Epidiolex, and the development and commercialization of Epidiolex. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual events could differ materially from those projected herein and depend on a number of factors, including (inter alia), the success of GW's research strategies, the applicability of the discoveries made therein, the successful and timely completion of, and uncertainties related to, the regulatory process, and the acceptance of Sativex, Epidiolex and other products by consumer and medical professionals. A further list and description of risks and uncertainties associated with an investment in GW can be found in GW's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including the most recent Form 20-F filed on 4 December 2017. Existing and prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. GW undertakes no obligation to update or revise the information contained in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or circumstances or otherwise.

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