



## **DELCATH ANNOUNCES FIRST PATIENT TREATMENT USING SECOND GENERATION HEMOFILTRATION CARTRIDGE**

*European Institute of Oncology Becomes First Center to Use New Filter with CHEMOSAT  
Delivery System*

**NEW YORK, April 13, 2012** – Delcath Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DCTH) today announced that the first treatment using the second generation hemofiltration cartridge of the Company's proprietary Hepatic CHEMOSAT® Delivery System has been performed at the European Institute of Oncology (Istituto Europeo di Oncologia – IEO), a premier cancer treatment and research center in Milan. A patient was treated for inoperable liver-dominant metastases from ocular melanoma, a case that represents the first use of the second generation hemofiltration cartridge in a clinical setting. The IEO treatment team reports the patient is doing well and has not suffered any procedure-related complications.

“With the second generation hemofiltration cartridge, we may be able to filter out even more chemotherapeutic agent from the blood as it leaves the liver and before it returns to the body than was possible with the first generation system,” said Dr. Alessandro Testori, surgical oncologist and Director of the Division of Melanoma and Skin-Muscle Sarcoma at the IEO. “This offers the potential to improve patient outcomes because we can maximize the effectiveness of the chemotherapy while significantly minimizing the potential side effects that can be associated with a more aggressive treatment approach.”

The new hemofiltration cartridge has demonstrated melphalan removal of greater than 98% during drug infusion in an in vivo study. Additionally, the new filter removed significantly fewer blood platelets in the same study. The Company received CE Mark for the new hemofiltration cartridge on April 5, 2012.

“We are pleased to finally be able to provide the second generation CHEMOSAT system to our early launch centers in Europe,” said Eamonn P. Hobbs, President and CEO of Delcath Systems. “Now that we are beginning to treat patients with the new system, we are confident that efficiency data we've seen in our in vivo studies will be validated in actual clinical use. We are also pleased that the team at the IEO is the first to begin exploring the benefits of the new system, and look forward to working with them and other early launch centers to establish the benefits of this system for patients with cancers in the liver.”

### **About Delcath Systems**

Delcath Systems, Inc. is a specialty pharmaceutical and medical device company focused on oncology. Delcath's proprietary system for chemosaturation is designed to administer high dose chemotherapy and other therapeutic agents to diseased organs or regions of the body, while controlling the systemic exposure of those agents. The Company's initial focus is on the treatment of primary and metastatic liver cancers. In 2010, Delcath announced that its randomized Phase III clinical trial for patients with metastatic melanoma in the liver had successfully achieved the study's primary endpoint of extended hepatic progression-free

survival. The Company also completed a multi-arm Phase II trial to treat other liver cancers. The Company obtained authorization to affix a CE Mark for the Delcath Hepatic CHEMOSAT® delivery system in April 2011. The right to affix the CE mark allows the Company to market and sell the CHEMOSAT system in Europe. The Company has not yet received FDA approval for commercial sale of its system in the United States. The Company continues with the preparation of its NDA submission and intends to seek FDA approval for commercial sale of its chemosaturating system with melphalan. For more information, please visit the Company's website at [www.delcath.com](http://www.delcath.com).

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