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Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 27, 2012

XOMA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-14710

(Commission File Number)

52-2154066

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2910 Seventh Street, Berkeley, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

94710
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(510) 204-7200

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 27, 2012, the Company issued a press release, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On October 3, 2012, the Company issued a press release, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press Release, dated September 27, 2012. |
| 99.2 | Press Release, dated October 3, 2012. |

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 3, 2012

XOMA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Fred Kurland
Fred Kurland
Vice President, Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

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XOMA Announces Servier Has Initiated Phase 3 Gevokizumab Trial in Patients With Behçet's Uveitis

BERKELEY, Calif., Sept. 27, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- XOMA Corporation (Nasdaq:XOMA) today announced its partner, Servier has received authorization to initiate the Servier-sponsored Behçet's uveitis Phase 3 clinical trial in several European countries. The study is titled A randomized, double-masked, placebo-controlled study of the Efficacy of Gevokizumab in the Treatment of patients with Behçet's Disease uveitis (**EYEGUARD™-B**). The objective of this study is to evaluate the efficacy of gevokizumab as compared to placebo on top of current standard of care (immunosuppressive therapy and oral corticosteroids) in reducing the risk of Behçet's disease uveitis exacerbations and to assess the safety of gevokizumab.

"Behçet's uveitis patients now have the opportunity to participate in the gevokizumab Phase 3 clinical trial designed specifically for their unique condition," stated John Varian, Chief Executive Officer of XOMA. "Servier's commitment to this underserved market merits recognition, and we continue to be impressed by their team's passion to design the best trial to determine gevokizumab's efficacy in treating this disease."

"Servier is committed to developing innovative treatments for diseases with clear unmet medical needs, such as Behçet's disease. In addition, we strongly believe gevokizumab has a real potential in other inflammatory diseases," said Emmanuel Canet, MD, PhD, President R&D Servier.

The global **EYEGUARD-B** study is designed to enroll 110 patients with a history of Behçet's disease uveitis with ocular involvement of the posterior segment who have experienced a recent ocular exacerbation that was treated successfully with high doses of corticosteroids. Patients will be randomized to either a 60mg dose of gevokizumab or placebo administered subcutaneously every four weeks on top of their current immunosuppressive and corticosteroid therapies. The study's primary endpoint is the time to first acute ocular exacerbation, which will be measured once a predefined number of exacerbations have been observed.

About Gevokizumab

Gevokizumab (XOMA 052/S 78989) is a potent monoclonal antibody with unique allosteric modulating properties and the potential to treat patients with a wide variety of inflammatory diseases and other diseases. Gevokizumab binds strongly to interleukin-1 beta (IL-1 beta), a pro-inflammatory cytokine that has been shown to be involved in Behçet's and other forms of non-infectious uveitis, cardiovascular disease, and other auto-inflammatory diseases. In binding to IL-1 beta, gevokizumab inhibits the activation of the IL-1 receptor, thereby modulating the cellular signaling events that produce inflammation.

Servier is XOMA's development and commercialization partner for gevokizumab. XOMA holds rights to gevokizumab in the U.S. and Japan for non-cardiometabolic indications, including non-infectious uveitis, acne, and erosive osteoarthritis of the hand for which clinical studies are ongoing. Information on all gevokizumab clinical studies can be found at www.clinicaltrials.gov.

Gevokizumab has been granted Orphan Drug Designation by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of non-infectious intermediate, posterior, or pan-uveitis, or chronic non-infectious anterior uveitis.

About Behçet's Disease and Behçet's Uveitis

Behçet's (pronounced beh-CHETS) disease is an orphan disease that causes chronic inflammation of the blood vessels, or vasculitis. Major symptoms can affect the neurological, pulmonary, gastrointestinal and cardiovascular systems, and hallmarks of the disease include painful ulcers in the mouth and on the genitals. Behçet's disease most commonly affects men and women in their twenties, thirties and forties, and it is typically more severe in men. Behçet's disease is also referred to as the "Silk Road" disease because it is most common among people from countries along this ancient trade route, including Turkey, eastern Mediterranean countries, Japan and Korea. An estimated 5,000 to 15,000 patients in the United States have Behçet's disease.

Non-infectious uveitis, or inflammation of the intraocular tissues of the eye, of Behçet's disease is one of the most severe forms of uveitis and affects approximately half of the patients with Behçet's disease. Unlike many forms of chronic uveitis, Behçet's uveitis is characterized by recurrent acute attacks or exacerbations. Without immediate treatment, major exacerbations of Behçet's uveitis may lead to retinal detachment, vitreous hemorrhage, glaucoma and eventual blindness. Symptoms include the accumulation of vitreous haze which can block eyesight or the loss of visual acuity and can manifest differently from patient to patient. For example, patients may go from 20/20 eyesight to loss of vision during the course of an exacerbation. Available treatments for Behçet's uveitis are limited to corticosteroids and off-label use of immunosuppressive drugs, which can have significant side effects especially when used on a chronic basis.

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More detailed information can be found at www.xoma.com.

The XOMA Corporation logo is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=5960>

About Servier

Servier is a privately-run French research-based pharmaceutical company. Current therapeutic domains for Servier medicines are cardiovascular, metabolic, neurological, psychiatric and bone and joint diseases, as well as oncology. Servier is established in 140 countries worldwide with over 20,000 employees and a 2011 turnover of €3.9 billion. Servier invests 25% of its turnover in R&D.

More information is available at: www.servier.com

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained herein concerning the enrollment, timing, completion and the successful outcome of the gevokizumab clinical trials and regulatory approval of its product candidates, or that otherwise relate to future periods are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated due to certain risks inherent in the biotechnology industry and for companies engaged in the development of new products in a regulated market. These and other risks, including those scale-up, manufacturing and marketing capabilities, are described in more detail in XOMA's most recent filing on Form 10-K and in other SEC filings. Consider such risks carefully when considering XOMA's prospects as these statements are based on assumptions that may not prove accurate.

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XOMA Initiates Safety and Efficacy Study of Gevokizumab in Patients with Non-infectious Uveitis Currently Controlled by Systemic Treatment

XOMA will host a conference call at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time today to discuss the global Phase 3 gevokizumab program

BERKELEY, Calif., October 3, 2012 - XOMA Corporation (Nasdaq: XOMA) today announced it has opened enrollment in a Phase 3 clinical trial, titled A randomizEd, double-masked, placebo-controlled study of the safetY and Efficacy of GevokizUmAb in the tReatment of subjects with non-infectious intermeDiate, posterior or pan-uveitis currently **controlled** with systemic treatment (**EYEGUARD™-C**), to determine gevokizumab's potential to reduce the risk of recurrent uveitic disease in patients with non-infectious uveitis intermediate, posterior, or pan-uveitis (NIU). The Company intends to enroll patients with NIU who have experienced active uveitic disease but whose disease currently is controlled with oral corticosteroids with or without immunosuppressive medications.

“Patients often arrive at a physicians’ office with active NIU disease that requires immediate treatment to control symptoms. After the active disease is treated, both the patient and the physician want to maintain the disease in a quiet state over the long term. Today, physicians have to resort to high-dose corticosteroids and immunosuppressives to aid them, yet both carry long-term health consequences. With this new study design, we believe that we will be able to determine if gevokizumab can allow physicians to reduce the corticosteroid treatment currently used to maintain the uveitis in a controlled state,” stated John Varian, Chief Executive Officer of XOMA. “While we could have chosen to conduct a standard supplemental safety-only study, we decided to expand our study to an efficacy and safety study for an incremental investment of \$5 million, as we believe the investment has significant value creating opportunities for XOMA. Our International Phase 3 study in active NIU, now named EYEGUARD™-A, which started in June, is designed to evaluate the use of gevokizumab for the treatment of active disease, and this trial, EYEGUARD-C, gives us the opportunity to potentially aid in the prevention of future exacerbations in patients receiving treatment with less desirable options.”

EYEGUARD-C is designed to enroll 300 patients worldwide. They will be randomized to receive either doses of gevokizumab or placebo, monthly for twelve months. All patients will undergo a predetermined reduction in their steroid doses. The study's primary endpoint is the proportion of patients with an occurrence of uveitic disease through Day 168. The study also will assess other important measures of improvement in their uveitic disease including the reduction of steroid use.

Paul Rubin, M.D., XOMA's Senior Vice President of Research and Development and Chief Medical Officer, stated, "It was a natural decision to expand the required safety study to a full efficacy trial, particularly in the NIU patient population. Long-term treatment with corticosteroids is detrimental to the patient's overall health, and the immunosuppressants being used today put the patient at significant risk of infection. We believe our antibody may be able to prevent acute exacerbation of the disease and allow physicians to reduce or even eliminate the use of corticosteroids and other immunosuppressant medications.”

SERVIER (Suresnes, France), XOMA's partner jointly developing gevokizumab and holding rights outside the U.S. and Japan for the NIU indication, hails this additional entry into Phase 3 for gevokizumab. "NIU is a very debilitating disease with no therapeutic options beside potentially harmful long-term corticosterapies. Servier is very delighted by this important step in the clinical development of gevokizumab, which may ultimately prove its clinical value in inflammatory diseases," said Isabelle Tupinon-Mathieu, M.D., Head of Therapeutic Research and Development at Servier.

Conference Call and Webcast

XOMA will host a conference call and webcast today, October 3, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. ET. The webcast can be accessed via the Investors & Media section of XOMA's website at <http://investors.xoma.com/events.cfm> and will be available for replay until close of business on January 3, 2013.

Telephone numbers for the live audiocast are (877) 369-6589 (U.S./Canada) and (408) 337-0122 (international). A telephonic replay will be available beginning approximately two hours after the conclusion of the call until October 7, 2012. Telephone numbers for the replay are (855)-859-2056 (U.S./Canada) and (404)-537-3406 (international), passcode 36952162.

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About Non-infectious Uveitis

The term uveitis broadly refers to the inflammatory diseases that affect the portion of the eye known as the uvea, which is the middle of three layers that surround the eye. People with uveitis may experience decreased vision, pain, light sensitivity, and floaters. Uveitis may be caused by an infection that is commonly treated with an antimicrobial agent, or by an unknown pathogen triggering inflammation, called non-infectious uveitis.

The most common form of uveitis affects the front of the uvea and is known as anterior uveitis. Other forms include intermediate uveitis, posterior uveitis, and pan uveitis. These types differ in that they all include involvement of the back portions of the uvea. Posterior uveitis refers to inflammation in the retina and the choroid, and it may result from a different immune response trigger. Pan-uveitis refers to inflammation of all three major parts of the eye. Behçet's uveitis is a well-known form of pan-uveitis. Due to the swelling of tissues critical to vision, intermediate, posterior, and pan-uveitis (which collectively make up NIU) can lead to blindness if not treated.

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