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US Patent Granted for PTX-200 for Treatment of Ovarian Cancer

Melbourne, Australia (26 July 2018): Clinical-stage oncology company Prescient Therapeutics Ltd (ASX: PTX; Prescient) is pleased to announce that it has received a Notice of Allowance for a new patent covering its lead clinical compound PTX-200 for the treatment of ovarian cancer in the United States.

This latest patent adds to Prescient's broad patent estate, and provides Prescient with intellectual property protection covering its lead compound for the treatment of ovarian cancer and a sub-population of patients with a tumor or cancer cell that overexpresses Akt.

The American Cancer Society estimates 22,240 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2018 in the US. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare estimates over 1,600 Australian women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2018. Unfortunately, ovarian cancer often becomes resistant to first line therapy of carboplatin, and once it does, there are very few treatment options for patients.

Prescient is seeking to reverse treatment resistance for these women by administering PTX-200 to block the Akt pathway that contributes to resistance, in combination with carboplatin. This current Phase 1b trial is being undertaken at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center in Florida under the leadership of Dr Robert Wenham, Chair of the Department of Gynecologic Oncology.

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About Prescient Therapeutics Limited (Prescient)

Prescient Therapeutics is a clinical stage oncology company developing targeted therapies that address specific mutations that drive cancer and contribute to resistance.

Prescient's lead drug candidate **PTX-200** inhibits an important tumor survival pathway known as Akt, which plays a key role in the development of many cancers, including breast and ovarian cancer, as well as leukemia. Unlike other drug candidates that target Akt inhibition which are non-specific kinase inhibitors that have toxicity problems, PTX-200 has a novel mechanism of action that specifically inhibits Akt whilst being comparatively safer. This highly promising compound is now the focus of three current clinical trials:

- Phase 2 study examining PTX-200 in breast cancer patients at the prestigious Montefiore Cancer Center in New York and Florida's H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center (Moffitt). PTX-200 showed encouraging efficacy signals in the Phase 1b study, with twice the expected response rate.
- Phase 1b/2 trial evaluating PTX-200 as a new therapy for relapsed and refractory Acute Myeloid Leukemia, being conducted the Moffitt; Yale Cancer Center in New Haven, Connecticut (Yale) and Kansas University Medical Center (KUMC) under the leadership of Professor Jeffrey Lancet, MD.
- Phase 1b/2 trial of PTX-200 in combination with current standard of care is also underway in patients with recurrent or persistent platinum resistant ovarian cancer at the Moffitt.



Prescient's second novel drug candidate, **PTX-100**, is a first in class compound with the ability to block an important cancer growth enzyme known as geranylgeranyl transferase-1 (GGT-1). It inhibits the activation of Rho, Rac and Ral circuits in cancer cells, which act as key oncogenic pathways, leading to apoptosis (death) of cancer cells. PTX-100 was well tolerated and achieved stable disease in a Phase 1 trial in advanced solid tumors and will be the focus of studies in Ras and RhoA mutant malignancies.

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