

## ASX Release

# Canadian Patent Granted for PTX-200

**Melbourne, Australia (24 September 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 PTX-200 for the treatment of cancer in Canada.

This latest patent adds to Prescient's considerable patent estate, and provides Prescient with intellectual property protection covering its lead compound for the treatment of patients with cancer that overexpresses Akt.

Akt is a cellular protein involved in growth signaling. When aberrantly over-activated, Akt mediates the most aggressive hallmarks of cancer, such as uncontrolled growth, invasion and metastasis of tumors, as well as resistance to conventional therapies.

PTX-200 is currently the subject of three clinical trials in locally advanced HER2 negative breast cancer, relapsed and refractory acute myeloid leukemia and recurrent or persistent platinum resistant ovarian cancer.

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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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