

# Prescient Therapeutics Receives Two US Patents Covering PTX-200

# **Highlights:**

- PTX expands patent portfolio covering PTX-200 for breast cancer and leukemia
- Bolsters strong intellectual property position in a unique targeted therapy

**MELBOURNE Australia, 17 June 2020** – Prescient Therapeutics (ASX: PTX), a biotechnology company developing targeted and personalised medicines for cancer, is pleased to announce that it has received notices of allowance from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for two new patents covering its PTX-200 candidate for the treatment of leukemia and breast cancer. Once granted, the patents are expected to be valid until at least 2025.

Prescient CEO and Managing Director, Steven Yatomi-Clarke said, "We are very pleased with the overall progress of PTX-200. Early clinical data has been strong and underlines the potential of PTX-200 as a unique targeted therapy. The allowance of two additional US patents for PTX-200 is another important step in building out a strong product pipeline of novel personalised therapies for cancer. Prescient's pipeline has never been stronger, nor deeper."

"The first half of CY2020 has been tremendously exciting for Prescient. Despite COVID-19 disruptions we have made progress with our in-house targeted cancer therapy drugs (PTX-100 and PTX-200) and, through the recent announcement of our exciting OmniCAR platform, Prescient is at the forefront of most exciting and promising field in oncology."

### **PTX-200 Patents**

PTX-200 is a novel PH domain inhibitor that 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, while being comparatively safer. This promising compound has encouraging Phase 2a data in HER2-negative breast cancer; Phase 1b/2 in relapsed and refractory AML and Phase 1b in ovarian cancer.



The PTX-200 patents (USPTO 15/487,854 and 15/487,843, entitled" Compositions of triciribine and epidermal growth factor receptor inhibitor compounds or salts thereof and methods of use thereof") are important additions to Prescient's strong intellectual property portfolio and will further enhance its protection of PTX-200 and its potential use in combination with a number of established chemotherapies therapies for a range of hard to treat cancers.

The PTX-200 Phase 1b study in patients with relapsed and refractory acute myeloid leukemia continues in the US after it was expanded on the back of positive clinical data showing a third complete response (total eradication of the disease) in a patient with this difficult to cancer. Researchers are working to identify the optimal dose of PTX-200 in combination with chemotherapy to minimise side effects.

Interim data from a Phase 1b safety study of PTX-200 in women with recurrent or persistent platinum resistant ovarian cancer showed 80 per cent (12 of 15) of patients exhibited 'disease control', with 11 women exhibiting stable disease and one having a partial response.

In December, data from the Phase 2a trial of PTX-200 in 11 women with HER-2 negative breast cancer showed an overall response rate of 91 per cent, with nine of 10 patients being monitored for cancer remaining progression-free, with encouraging ongoing durability of response.

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## **About Prescient Therapeutics Limited (Prescient)**

Prescient Therapeutics is a clinical stage oncology company developing personalised medicine approaches to cancer, including targeted and cellular therapies.

#### **Cell Therapies**

**OmniCAR:** is a universal immune receptor platform enabling controllable T-cell activity and multi-antigen targeting with a single cell product. OmniCAR's modular CAR system decouples antigen recognition from the T-cell signalling domain. It is the first universal immune receptor allowing post-translational covalent loading of binders to T-cells. OmniCAR is based on technology licensed from Penn; the SpyTag/SpyCatcher binding system licensed from Oxford University; and other assets.

The targeting ligand can be administered separately to CAR-T cells, creating on-demand T-cell activity post infusion and enables the CAR-T to be directed to an array of different tumour antigens.

OmniCAR provides a method for single-vector, single cell product targeting of multiple antigens simultaneous or sequentially, whilst allowing continual re-arming to generate, regulate and diversify a sustained T-cell response over time.

**Cell Therapy:** Prescient has several other initiatives underway to develop new cell therapy approaches.

#### **Targeted Therapies**

**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 disrupts oncogenic Ras pathways by inhibiting the activation of Rho, Rac and Ral circuits in cancer cells, leading to apoptosis (death) of cancer cells. PTX-100 is believed to be the



only RhoA inhibitor in the world in clinical development. PTX-100 is currently in a PK/PD basket study of hematological and solid malignancies, focusing on cancers with Ras and RhoA mutations. In a previous Phase 1 trial in advanced solid tumours, PTX-100 was well tolerated and achieved stable disease.

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The Board of Prescient Therapeutics Limited have approved the release of this announcement.

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