

## **Notice of Allowance of Canada Patent for PG545 and related compounds**

**Brisbane, Australia, 14 November 2014.** Progen Pharmaceuticals Ltd ("Progen" or "the Company") (ASX: PGL, OTC: PGLA) is pleased to announce the granting of a notice of allowance by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office for Patent Application No. 2,704,201 "Novel Sulfated Oligosaccharide Derivatives" which includes Phase I cancer drug PG545.

This patent protects the composition and use of, and methods of treatment for Progen's clinical compound PG545 and related PG500 series compounds. The methods of treatment encompass a variety of therapeutic areas and include oncology, namely to control angiogenesis and metastasis. The patent will provide protection and exclusivity until 2028 and may be further extended under certain circumstances.

PG545 is currently being tested in a Phase I clinical trial in advanced cancer patients in Australia.

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#### **About Progen Pharmaceuticals Ltd**

Progen Pharmaceuticals Limited is a biotechnology company committed to the discovery, development and commercialization of small molecule pharmaceuticals primarily for the treatment of cancer. Progen has built a focus and strength in anti-cancer drug discovery and development. [www.progen-pharma.com](http://www.progen-pharma.com)

#### **About PG545**

PG545 is a new multifunctional anti-cancer drug designed to target the tumour microenvironment and developed in-house by Progen Pharmaceuticals. PG545 has been demonstrated in a variety of cancer models to slow the growth rate and/or destroy cancer cells directly, block the growth of new blood vessels within tumours (angiogenesis), stop the spread of cancer (metastasis), and modulate specific immune cells known to interact with cancer cells. These complementary mechanisms are uniquely targeted by PG545 to block key processes in cancer development and represent a novel approach to the treatment for several cancer types.

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