

## Abstract on pSivida's Treatment of Posterior Segment Uveitis Accepted for Presentation at the 2017 Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) Annual Meeting

WATERTOWN, Mass., March 15, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- pSivida Corp. (NASDAQ:PSDV) (ASX:PVA), a leader in the development of sustained release drug products and technologies, today announced that an abstract supporting the Company's Durasert three-year treatment for posterior segment uveitis has been accepted for a paper presentation at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) 2017 Annual Meeting being held in Baltimore, MD from May 7-11, 2017.

The abstract accepted for paper presentation is titled, "An Injectable Fluocinolone Acetonide Intravitreal Insert Decreases the Incidence of Recurrence in Patients with Chronic Non-infectious Uveitis Affecting the Posterior Segment of the Eye: 12 Month Results." The data will be presented by Dr. Glenn J. Jaffe, Robert Machemer Professor of Ophthalmology at Duke University School of Medicine in Durham, NC, during the session titled, "Emerging Treatments for Uveitis," scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2017 from 9:00am to 9:15am ET.

"ARVO is one of the most important ophthalmology conferences of the year and we are excited that data from our Phase 3 study has been selected," commented Nancy Lurker, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Dr. Jaffe is a recognized authority on posterior segment uveitis and we are looking forward to his presentation to this prestigious audience."

## **About Posterior Segment Uveitis**

Posterior segment uveitis is a chronic, non-infectious inflammatory disease affecting the posterior segment of the eye, often involving the retina, which is a leading cause of blindness in the developed and developing countries. It afflicts people of all ages, producing swelling and destroying eye tissues, which can lead to severe vision loss and blindness. In the U.S., posterior uveitis affects approximately 175,000 people, resulting in approximately 30,000 cases of blindness and making it the third leading cause of blindness in the U.S.

Patients with posterior uveitis are typically treated with systemic steroids; but, over time, frequently develop serious side effects that can limit effective dosing. Patients then often progress to steroid-sparing therapy with systemic immune suppressants or biologics, which themselves can have severe side effects including an increased risk of cancer.

## About pSivida Corp.

pSivida Corp. (<u>www.psivida.com</u>), headquartered in Watertown, MA, is a leader in the development of sustained release drug technologies for eye diseases. pSivida has developed three of only four FDA-approved sustained-release treatments for back-of-the-eye diseases. The most recent, ILUVIEN<sup>®</sup>, a micro-insert for diabetic macular edema, licensed to Alimera Sciences, is currently sold in the US and three EU countries. Retisert<sup>®</sup>, an implant for posterior uveitis, is licensed to and sold by Bausch & Lomb. pSivida's lead product candidate, Durasert micro-insert for posterior segment uveitis being independently developed, is currently in pivotal Phase 3 clinical trials. pSivida's pre-clinical development program is focused on using its core platform technologies Durasert<sup>™</sup> and Tethadur<sup>™</sup> to deliver drugs and biologics to treat uveitis, wet and dry age-related macular degeneration, osteoarthritis and other diseases. To learn more about pSivida, please visit <u>www.psivida.com</u> and connect on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Google+</u>.

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of revenues from, ILUVIEN® for diabetic macular edema ("ILUVIEN"), which depends on Alimera's ability to continue as a going concern and the effect of pricing and reimbursement decisions on sales of ILUVIEN; safety and efficacy results of the second Durasert three-year uveitis Phase 3 clinical trial and the number of clinical trials and data required for the Durasert three-year uveitis marketing approval applications in the U.S. and EU; our ability to file and the timing of filing and acceptance of the Durasert three-year uveitis marketing approval applications in the U.S. and EU; our ability to use data in a U.S. NDA from clinical trials outside the U.S.; maintenance of European orphan designation for Durasert three-vear uveitis: our ability to successfully commercialize Durasert three-year uveitis, if approved; the outcome of a dispute with Alimera regarding commercialization expenses; potential off-label sales of ILUVIEN for uveitis; consequences of fluocinolone acetonide side effects; potential declines in Retisert<sup>®</sup> royalties; our ability to develop Tethadur to successfully deliver large biologic molecules and develop products using it; efficacy and our future development of an implant to treat severe osteoarthritis; our ability to successfully develop product candidates, initiate and complete clinical trials and receive regulatory approvals; our ability to market and sell products; the success of current and future license agreements; termination or breach of current license agreements; our dependence on contract research organizations, vendors and investigators; effects of competition and other developments affecting sales of products; market acceptance of products; effects of guidelines, recommendations and studies; protection of intellectual property and avoiding intellectual property infringement; retention of key personnel; product liability; industry consolidation; compliance with environmental laws; manufacturing risks; risks and costs of international business operations; effects of the potential U.K. exit from the EU; legislative or regulatory changes; volatility of stock price; possible dilution; absence of dividends; and other factors described in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You should read and interpret any forward-looking statements in light of these risks. Should known or unknown risks materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could differ materially from past results and those anticipated, estimated or projected in the forward-looking statements. You should bear this in mind as you consider any forward-looking statements. Our forwardlooking statements speak only as of the dates on which they are made. We do not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise our forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes makes it clear that any projected results expressed or implied in such statements will not be realized.

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