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## **pSivida pancreatic cancer results released**

Boston, MA and Perth, Australia (January 29, 2008) – pSivida Limited (NASDAQ:PSDV, ASX:PSD, Xetra:PSI) today announced the results of the Phase IIa clinical trial of BrachySil™ for the treatment of advanced, inoperable pancreatic cancer presented at the American Society of Clinical Oncology-GI (ASCO-GI). The trial, designed as a safety study, successfully showed that BrachySil™, in combination with standard chemotherapy (gemcitabine), was well tolerated with no clinically significant adverse events related to BrachySil. Data showed disease control in 82% of patients and an overall median survival of 309 days. BrachySil was found to be easily deliverable by endoscopic ultrasound. BrachySil™ is a novel oncology product which comprises a combination of BioSilicon™, a proprietary porous silicon, and the isotope <sup>32</sup>Phosphorus, a proven anti-cancer therapeutic.

“These findings are very interesting, and although this was a small study and was not designed to prove efficacy, these results are encouraging,” said Dr Paul Ross, Chief Investigator in the study and Consultant Medical Oncologist at Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust.

In the trial, seventeen patients were treated with BrachySil injected directly into the primary tumors via endoscopic ultrasound (used to assist in locating the delivery point). All patients had advanced inoperable pancreatic cancer and received gemcitabine in addition to BrachySil. CT assessments of response were performed at weeks 8, 16 and 24. The study was conducted at three major centers for cancer therapy: Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust, UK, University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust, UK and Singapore General Hospital.

Pancreatic cancer is the fourth most frequent cause of cancer death, and at least 80% of patients present with inoperable locally advanced or metastatic disease. The median survival for these patients following diagnosis is typically less than six months with standard chemotherapy. Accordingly, there is significant clinical and market demand for more effective therapies. Dr Paul Ashton, Managing Director of pSivida Limited, said, “We are very pleased with the favorable results of this study of BrachySil for the treatment of advanced, inoperable pancreatic. Our next step for BrachySil is a dose-ranging study planned to commence this quarter.”

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CMV Retinitis. Bausch & Lomb owns the trademarks Vitrasert® and Retisert®. pSivida has licensed the technologies underlying both of these products to Bausch & Lomb. The technology underlying Medidur™ for diabetic macular edema is licensed to Alimera Sciences and is in Phase III clinical trials. pSivida has a worldwide collaborative research and license agreement with Pfizer Inc. for other ophthalmic applications of the Medidur™ technology.

pSivida owns the rights to develop and commercialize a modified form of silicon (porosified or nano-structured silicon) known as BioSilicon™, which has applications in drug delivery, wound healing, orthopedics, and tissue engineering. The most advanced BioSilicon™ product, BrachySil™ delivers a therapeutic, P32 directly to solid tumors and is presently in Phase II clinical trial: the treatment of pancreatic cancer.

pSivida's intellectual property portfolio consists of 70 patent families, 99 granted patents, including patents accepted for issuance, and over 300 patent applications. pSivida conducts its operations from facilities near Boston in the United States, Malvern in the United Kingdom and Perth in Australia.

pSivida is listed on NASDAQ (PSDV), the Australian Stock Exchange (PSD) and on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange on the XETRA system (PSI). pSivida is a founding member of the NASDAQ Health Care Index and the Merrill Lynch Nanotechnology Index.

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