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Can-Fite Publishes Peer-Reviewed Scientific Article Demonstrating the Broad Therapeutic Potential of Piclidenoson and Namodenoson

Ramat-Gan, Israel, June 22, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd. (NYSE American: CANF) (TASE: CANF), a biotechnology company advancing a pipeline of proprietary small molecule drugs that address oncological and inflammatory diseases, today announced the publication of a peer-reviewed scientific article demonstrating the broad therapeutic potential of its lead drug candidates, Piclidenoson and Namodenoson, across multiple major diseases.

"The article, entitled "Adenosine A3 Receptor Agonists as Multisystemic Disease Modifiers: From Molecular Signaling to Clinical Translation" was published in the peer-reviewed *Biomolecules Journal* ([link](#)). The publication reviews findings from Can-Fite work and numerous independent academic and clinical research groups worldwide demonstrating that activation of the A3 adenosine receptor (A3AR) modulates key pathological pathways involved in:

The review details evidence supporting A3AR agonist activity in:

- Solid tumors, including hepatocellular carcinoma and pancreatic cancer
- Metabolic dysfunction-associated steatohepatitis (MASH) and liver fibrosis
- Autoimmune and inflammatory diseases
- Osteoarthritis and musculoskeletal disorders
- Neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer's disease and vascular dementia
- Obesity and metabolic disorders
- Rare genetic diseases, including Lowe syndrome

" This publication represents an important scientific validation of Piclidenoson and Namodenoson and the broader A3AR platform technology," stated Pnina Fishman, CSO and Chairperson of Can-Fite. "Particularly compelling is the fact that many of the findings summarized in this review originate from independent research institutions worldwide and extend well beyond our current clinical development programs. Collectively, we believe these data reinforce the potential of A3AR agonists to address multiple diseases with significant unmet medical needs."

Can-Fite's clinical pipeline currently includes Namodenoson in Phase 3 development for hepatocellular carcinoma, Phase 2 development for pancreatic cancer, and Phase 2b development for MASH. Piclidenoson is currently being evaluated in a pivotal Phase 3 study in psoriasis. The publication further supports the Company's strategy of leveraging A3AR agonists as a platform technology applicable to multiple therapeutic indications.

About Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd.

Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd. (NYSE American: CANF) (TASE: CANF) is an advanced clinical stage drug development Company with a platform technology that is designed to address multi-billion dollar markets in the treatment of cancer, liver, and inflammatory disease. The Company's lead drug candidate, Piclidenoson recently reported topline results in a Phase 3 trial for psoriasis and commenced a pivotal Phase 3 trial. Can-Fite's liver drug, Namodenoson, is being evaluated in a Phase III trial for hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), a Phase 2b trial for the treatment of MASH, and in a Phase 2a study in pancreatic cancer. Namodenoson has been granted Orphan Drug Designation in the U.S. and Europe and Fast Track Designation as a second line treatment for HCC by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Namodenoson has also shown proof of concept to potentially treat other cancers including colon, prostate, and melanoma. CF602, the Company's third drug candidate, has shown efficacy in the treatment of erectile dysfunction. These drugs have an excellent safety profile with experience in over 1,600 patients in clinical studies to date. For more information please visit: www.canfite.com.

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