

# Lixte Completes Private Placement Of Convertible Preferred Stock

EAST SETAUKET, N.Y., March 18, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Lixte Biotechnology Holdings, Inc. (OTCQB: LIXT) announced today that one of its major shareholders has purchased \$1,750,000 of Convertible Preferred stock. If fully converted, these shares would convert to 2,187,500 common shares at a per share price of \$0.80.

Lixte's CEO, John S. Kovach, M.D., said, "Although Lixte has several compounds under preclinical development, our priority has been to demonstrate that our lead novel serine/threonine phosphatase inhibitor, LB-100, can be administered safely at doses expected on the basis of pre-clinical studies to potentiate cytotoxic anti-cancer drugs and x-ray therapy against human cancers as has been shown in several animal models. Our current Phase I trial has two parts. In Part 1, we are determining the maximum tolerable dose (MTD) of LB-100 administered alone; in Part 2, we are determining the MTD of LB-100 combined with the widely used anti-cancer drug, docetaxel, as the basis for designing studies of LB-100 plus docetaxel in Phase II trials in solid tumors."

Dr. Kovach continued, "The recent pre-clinical reports that LB-100, by virtue of its anti-protein phosphatase 2A activity, may also be active as a single agent against imatinib-resistant chronic myelogenous leukemia (Lai et al. Blood 124 Abst #899, 2014) and del5q myelodysplastic disease (Sallman et al. Front. Oncol. 4, 264-271, 2014), have stimulated additional interest in the results of Part 1 of our trial, the determination of the MTD of LB-100 alone, as the basis for Phase II trials of LB-100 as a single agent and/or in combination with standard treatments for the treatment of these hematologic cancers."

Dr. Kovach concluded, "This sale of convertible preferred stock should provide us with sufficient working capital to fund our total expenses through completion of both portions of our ongoing Phase I trial."

# About Lixte Biotechnology Holdings, Inc.

Lixte is a drug discovery and development company that identifies enzyme targets associated with serious common diseases and then designs novel compounds to attack those targets. Lixte's product pipeline encompasses two major categories of compounds at various stages of pre-clinical and clinical development which the company believes have broad therapeutic potential not only for cancer but for other debilitating and life-threatening diseases. Lixte's unique phosphatase inhibitor, LB-100, is in a Phase I cancer trial (see ClinicalTrials.gov: Identifier NCTO1837667).

# **Forward-Looking Statements**

This announcement contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act

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For additional information, please see: www.lixte.com.

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