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## NuCana Announces Presentations at the AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics 2023

Edinburgh, United Kingdom, September 18, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) - NuCana plc (NASDAQ: NCNA) announced four presentations at the upcoming AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics 2023 being held October 11-15, 2023 in Boston, Massachusetts.

The details of NuCana's presentations at the meeting are as follows:

**Abstract title:** NUC-3373 in combination with irinotecan (NUFIRI) or oxaliplatin (NUFOX) and bevacizumab for second-line treatment of patients with advanced colorectal cancer (NuTide:302)

**Poster number:** B048

**Session:** Poster Session B

**Session date and time:** Friday, October 13 from 12:30pm-4:00pm

**Presenting Author:** Dr. Khurum Khan

**Abstract title:** Phase II study of NUC-3373, leucovorin, irinotecan (NUFIRI) + bevacizumab vs FOLFIRI + bevacizumab for the second-line treatment of patients with advanced/metastatic colorectal cancer (NuTide:323)

**Poster number:** B049

**Session:** Poster Session B

**Date and time:** Friday, October 13 from 12:30pm-4:00pm

**Presenting Author:** Professor Richard Wilson

**Abstract title:** Phase Ib/II open label, multi-arm, parallel cohort dose finding and expansion study of NUC-3373 in combination with pembrolizumab in patients with advanced solid tumors or docetaxel in patients with lung cancer (NuTide:303)

**Poster number:** C029

**Session:** Poster Session C

**Session date and time:** Saturday, October 14 from 12:30pm-4:00pm

**Presenting Author:** Professor Richard Wilson

**Abstract title:** NUC-7738 in combination with pembrolizumab in patients with metastatic melanoma: Phase 2 results from the NuTide:701 study

**Poster number:** C032

**Session:** Poster Session C

**Session date and time:** Saturday, October 14 from 12:30pm-4:00pm

**Presenting Author:** Professor Sarah Blagden

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## About NuCana

NuCana is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on significantly improving treatment outcomes for patients with cancer by applying our ProTide technology to transform some of the most widely prescribed chemotherapy agents, nucleoside analogs, into more effective and safer medicines. While these conventional agents remain part of the standard of care for the treatment of many solid and hematological tumors, they have significant shortcomings that limit their efficacy and they are often poorly tolerated. Utilizing our proprietary technology, we are developing new medicines, ProTides, designed to overcome the key limitations of nucleoside analogs and generate much higher concentrations of anti-cancer metabolites in cancer cells. NuCana's pipeline includes NUC-3373 and NUC-7738. NUC-3373 is a new chemical entity derived from the nucleoside analog 5-fluorouracil, a widely used chemotherapy agent. NUC-3373 is currently being evaluated in three ongoing clinical studies: a Phase 1b/2 study (NuTide:302) in combination with leucovorin, irinotecan or oxaliplatin, and bevacizumab in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer; a randomized Phase 2 study (NuTide:323) in combination with leucovorin, irinotecan, and bevacizumab for the second-line treatment of patients with advanced colorectal cancer; and a Phase 1b/2 modular study (NuTide:303) of NUC-3373 in combination with the PD-1 inhibitor pembrolizumab for patients with advanced solid tumors and in combination with docetaxel for patients with lung cancer. NUC-7738 is a transformation of 3'-deoxyadenosine, a novel anti-cancer nucleoside analog. NUC-7738 is in the Phase 2 part of a Phase 1/2 study in patients with advanced solid tumors which is evaluating NUC-7738 as a monotherapy and in combination with pembrolizumab.

## Forward-Looking Statements

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