Kitov Announces U.S. Commercial Launch of Consensi™

TEL AVIV, Israel, May 20, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kitov Pharma Ltd. ("Kitov") (NASDAQ/TASE: KTOV), a clinical-stage company advancing first-in-class therapies to overcome tumor immune evasion and drug resistance, today announced the U.S. commercial launch of Consensi™, a fixed-dose combination of celecoxib and amlodipine besylate, designed for the simultaneous treatment of hypertension and osteoarthritis pain. Consensi™ is being sold in the U.S. by Burke Therapeutics, the marketing partner of Kitov's U.S. distributor, Coeptis Pharmaceuticals.

"Consensi™ provides a new therapeutic option for patients suffering from both hypertension and osteoarthritis-related pain. We are excited about the availability of Consensi™ for patients", said Dave Mehalick, Chief Executive Officer of Coeptis Pharmaceuticals.

"We are please Consensi™ is now available and our sales team is eager to introduce this one tablet, once a day treatment for hypertension and osteoarthritis pain to the U.S. market", said Angela Sutterer, Chief Executive Officer of Burke Therapeutics.

"The initial U.S. sales of Consensi™ represents a key milestone for Kitov," said Isaac Israel, Chief Executive Officer of Kitov. "We are confident that Coeptis' and Burke's extensive distribution reach will enable us to maximize Consensi™'s market potential. The projected royalties and milestone revenues from our U.S. marketing and distribution agreements for Consensi™, together with the \$26 million gross fundraising proceeds we secured this year, will provide the source of financial support for our development efforts aimed at advancing our emerging oncology pipeline, including advancing both NT-219 and CM-24 into significant value creating clinical milestones. We look forward to providing further updates about Consensi™'s marketing activities and progress soon."

About Kitov Pharma

Kitov Pharma (Kitov Pharma Ltd.; NASDAQ/TASE: KTOV) is a clinical-stage company focusing on advancing first-in-class therapies to overcome tumor immune evasion and drug resistance, to create successful long-lasting treatments for people with cancer. Kitov's oncology pipeline includes NT-219 and CM-24. NT-219 is a small molecule targeting the novel cancer drug resistance pathways IRS1/2 and STAT3. Kitov is currently advancing NT-219 in combination with cetuximab as a third-line or second-line treatment option for the treatment of recurrent and metastatic squamous cell carcinoma of head & neck cancer (SCCHN), as well as a single agent monotherapy treatment in patients with advanced solid tumors in a planned phase 1/2 study. CM-24 is a monoclonal antibody blocking CEACAM1, a novel immune checkpoint that supports tumor immune evasion and survival through multiple pathways. Kitov plans to advance CM-24 as a combination therapy with anti-PD1 checkpoint inhibitors in selected cancer indications in a phase 1 study followed by a phase 2 for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer NSCLC and pancreatic cancer. Kitov has entered into a clinical collaboration agreement with Bristol Myers Squibb Company for the planned phase 1/2 clinical trials to evaluate the combination of CM-24 with the PD-1 inhibitor nivolumab (Opdivo®). Kitov is also the owner of Consensi™, a fixed-dose combination of celecoxib and amlodipine besylate, for the simultaneous treatment of osteoarthritis pain and hypertension which was approved by the FDA for marketing in the U.S in May 2018 and was launched in the U.S. in May 2020 by its partner Coeptis Pharmaceuticals in the U.S.. Kitov has also partnered to commercialize Consensi in China and South Korea. The company is headquartered in Tel Aviv, Israel. For more information, please visit https://www.kitovpharma.com.

About Consensi™

Consensi is a fixed-dose combination of amlodipine besylate, a calcium channel blocker for the treatment of hypertension, to lower blood pressure, and celecoxib, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) for the management of the signs and symptoms of osteoarthritis. The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) approved Consensi oral tablets for marketing in the U.S..

For additional information see DailyMed, Full Prescribing Information, including BOXED WARNING and Medication Guide.

Important Safety Information (ISI) for Consensi™

WARNING: RISK OF SERIOUS CARDIOVASCULAR and GASTROINTESTINAL EVENTS

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning.

CONSENSI contains celecoxib, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID), and amlodipine, a calcium channel blocker (CCB). NSAIDs can cause serious side effects, including:

Increased risk of a heart attack or stroke that can lead to death. This risk may happen early in treatment and may increase with duration of use.

Do not take CONSENSI right before or after a heart surgery called a "coronary artery bypass graft" (CABG).

Avoid taking CONSENSI after a recent heart attack, unless your healthcare provider tells you to. You may have an increased risk of another heart attack if you take NSAIDs after a recent heart attack.

NSAID medications, like celecoxib, cause an increased risk of bleeding, ulcers, and tears (perforation) of the esophagus, stomach, and intestines, at any time during treatment, which can occur without warning and may cause death. Elderly patients and patients with a prior history of peptic ulcer disease and/or GI bleeding are at greater risk for serious GI events.

What is the most important information I should know about Consensi?

Consensi contains celecoxib, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID), and amlodipine, a calcium channel blocker (CCB). NSAIDs can cause serious side effects, including:

- Increased risk of a heart attack or stroke that can lead to death. This risk may happen early in treatment and may increase:
- with increasing doses of NSAIDs
- with longer use of NSAIDs

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- Increased risk of bleeding, ulcers, and tears (perforation) of the esophagus (tube leading from the mouth to the stomach), stomach, and intestines:
- anytime during use
- without warning symptoms
- that may cause death

The risk of getting an ulcer or bleeding increases with:

past history of stomach ulcers, or stomach or intestinal bleeding with use of NSAIDs taking medicines called "corticosteroids", "antiplatelet drugs", "anticoagulants", "selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs)", or "serotonin norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs)"

increasing doses of NSAIDs older age longer use of NSAIDs poor health

smoking advanced liver disease drinking alcohol bleeding problems

You should not take other medicines that contain NSAIDs or salicylates during treatment with Consensi because of increased risk of stomach problems. Taking other medicines that contain NSAIDs or salicylates during treatment with Consensi will not provide increased relief of symptoms of osteoarthritis.

Consensi should only be used:

- exactly as prescribed
- at the lowest dose possible for your treatment
- for the shortest time needed

Who should not take Consensi?

Do not take Consensi:

- if you are allergic to amlodipine, celecoxib or any of the inactive ingredients in Consensi.
- if you have had an asthma attack, hives, or other allergic reaction with aspirin or any other NSAIDs.
- right before or after heart bypass surgery.
- if you have had an allergic reaction to sulfonamides.

Before taking Consensi, tell your healthcare provider about all your medical conditions, including if you:

- have heart problems.
- have liver or kidney problems.
- have asthma.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. Talk to your healthcare provider if you are considering taking Consensi during pregnancy. You should not take Consensi after 29 weeks of pregnancy.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. Consensi can pass into your breast milk. It is not known if Consensi will harm your baby. Talk with your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby if you take Consensi.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, or herbal supplements. Consensi® and some other medicines can interact with each other and cause serious side effects. Do not start taking any new medicine without talking to your healthcare provider first.

What are the possible side effects of Consensi?

Consensi can cause serious side effects, including:

- liver problems, including liver failure
- worsening chest pain (angina) or heart attack, particularly in people with severe obstructive coronary artery disease
- heart failure
- swelling of your arms, legs, hands and feet (peripheral edema) is common with Consensi but can sometimes be serious.
- kidney problems, including kidney failure
- increased potassium levels (hyperkalemia)
- life-threatening allergic reactions
- life-threatening skin reactions
- low red blood cells (anemia)

See "What is the most important information I should know about Consensi?" for further detail regarding serious side effects.

Your healthcare provider will monitor your blood pressure and do blood tests to check you for side effects during treatment with Consensi.

Consensi may cause fertility problems in females that is reversible when treatment with Consensi is stopped. Talk to your healthcare provider if this is a concern for you.

The most common side effects of Consensi include:

swelling of the arms, legs, hands, and feet

headache

joint swelling dizziness stomach pain diarrhea heartburn

frequent urination hot or warm feeling in your face (flushing) gas tiredness extreme sleepiness

Get emergency help right away if you get any of the following symptoms:

shortness of breath or trouble breathing

chest pain

weakness in one part or side of your body

slurred speech

swelling of the face or throat

Stop taking Consensi and call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms:

nausea more tired or weaker than usual diarrhea itching indigestion or stomach pain flu-like symptoms vomit blood

there is blood in your bowel movement, or it is black and sticky unusual weight gain your skin or eyes look yellow skin rash or blisters with fever swelling of the arms, legs, hands and feet

These are not all the possible side effects of Consensi.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch. You may also report side effects to Burke Therapeutics, LLC at 1-866-275-1264.

Please see Full Prescribing Information, including BOXED WARNING, and Medication Guide.

Forward-Looking Statements and Kitov's Safe Harbor Statement

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