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Onconova Therapeutics announces the synergistic anti-cancer activity of rigosertib combined with immune checkpoint blockade

TOKYO, Japan, June 18, 2020 -- SymBio Pharmaceuticals Limited (Headquarters: Tokyo, "SymBio") today announced that its U.S. licensor for rigosertib, Onconova Therapeutics, Inc. (Headquarters: Newtown, PA, "Onconova"), announced on June 17, 2021 (EST) that the publication of a preclinical study in the journal *Molecular Cancer* entitled "Novel induction of CD40 expression by tumor cells with RAS/RAF/PI3K pathway inhibition augments response to checkpoint blockade" showed that rigosertib synergistically enhanced the efficacy of immune checkpoint blockade.

For Onconova's full press release, please visit Onconova's website:

<https://investor.onconova.com/press-releases>

About Rigosertib

Rigosertib is a small molecule inhibitor that has a new mechanism of action: it inhibits the activation of RAS as an oncogene-related product, thereby blocking the action of multikinases, including PI3K, and inhibits cellular signaling in cancer cells necessary for their survival and proliferation, thus killing cancer cells. SymBio obtained the development and commercialization licensing rights for Rigosertib from Onconova in July, 2011 for Japan and Korea.

About Onconova Therapeutics, Inc.

Onconova Therapeutics, Inc. is a Phase 3-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering and developing novel drugs to treat cancer, with an initial focus on myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS). Onconova has a pipeline of proprietary targeted agents designed to work against specific cellular pathways that are important in cancer cells. For more information, please visit <https://www.onconova.com>.

About SymBio Pharmaceuticals Limited

SymBio Pharmaceuticals Limited was established in March, 2005 by Fuminori Yoshida who previously served concurrently as Corporate VP of Amgen Inc. and founding President of Amgen Japan. In May, 2016 the Company incorporated its wholly-owned subsidiary in the U.S., SymBio Pharma USA, Inc. (Headquarters: Menlo Park, California, President: Mr. Fuminori Yoshida). The Company's underlying corporate mission is to "deliver hope to patients in need" as it aspires to be a leading global specialty biopharmaceutical company dedicated to addressing underserved medical needs.