



**IGEM Therapeutics awarded “Best Start-up Biotech Company” at the 2018 OBN Awards**

**London, 12 October 2018** – IGEN Therapeutics (IGEM), an immuno-oncology company developing novel immunoglobulin E (IgE) antibodies to treat cancer, today announced that it has won the “Best Start-up Biotech Company” award at the OBN Awards 2018.

The award recognises IGEN as a UK registered start-up biotech company making a significant impact in the sector through news flow, successful fundraising and execution of a robust business plan. The ceremony on Thursday 11 October marked the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the OBN Awards, which celebrate success stories from the UK life sciences industry over the past year.

**Dr Tim Wilson, Chief Executive Officer of IGEN, commented:** “We are thrilled that IGEN Therapeutics has been awarded “Best Start-up Biotech Company” at this year’s prestigious OBN Awards. The award recognises our efforts to treat cancer by developing novel immunoglobulin E antibodies and our significant progress as a company over the last year.”

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**About IGEN Therapeutics**

IGEM is a UK immuno-oncology company developing novel immunoglobulin E (IgE) antibodies to treat cancer. Unlike immunoglobulin G (IgG), IgE has evolved to kill tissue-dwelling multicellular parasites endowing it with several key features that make it ideal for the treatment of solid tumours.

Pre-clinical proof of concept has been obtained with two different IgE antibodies both showing significantly greater efficacy versus IgG comparators. IGEN is a spin out of King’s College London with financing from Epidarex Capital and has an ongoing collaboration with Dr. Sophia Karagiannis, a global leader in the understanding of IgE antibodies.

For further information visit [www.igemtherapeutics.com](http://www.igemtherapeutics.com)

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