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## FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Month of October 2019

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## **CAN-FITE BIOPHARMA LTD.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

10 Bareket Street Kiryat Matalon, P.O. Box 7537 Petach-Tikva 4951778, Israel (Address of principal executive offices)

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On October 17, 2019, Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd. issued a press release announcing that it is holding an International Advisory Board conference with a panel of eleven Key Opinion Leaders in rheumatoid arthritis from Austria, Switzerland, and Spain focused on Piclidenosona. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. 99.1 Description

Press Release dated October 17, 2019

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 17, 2019 By: /s/ Pnina Fishman

Pnina Fishman Chief Executive Officer

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# Can-Fite and Gebro Pharma holding European Conference on Development & Commercialization of Phase III Drug Candidate Piclidenoson in the Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis

PETACH TIKVA, Israel, October 17, 2019 -- Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd. (NYSE MKT: CANF) (TASE:CFBI), a biotechnology company with a pipeline of proprietary small molecule drugs that address cancer, liver and inflammatory diseases and Gebro Pharma, a European mid-size Pharmaceutical company announced today it is holding an International Advisory Board conference with a panel of eleven Key Opinion Leaders in rheumatoid arthritis from Austria, Switzerland, and Spain focused on Piclidenoson.

Gebro Pharma has licensed the distribution rights to Piclidenoson for the indications of rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis in Austria, Switzerland, and Spain. The purpose of the meeting, which is taking place in Fieberbrunn, Austria, Gebro Headquarters, on October 17-18, 2019, is to conduct a scientific review of Piclidenoson, the role of the Adenosidne receptor A3 and mechanism of action of the molecule and aspects related to patient populations. Can-Fite's CEO Dr. Pnina Fishman, Medical Director Dr. Michael Silverman, and VP Business Development Dr. Sari Fishman are delivering presentations at the conference together with the participation of European Key Opinion Leaders in rheumatoid arthritis, Dr. Burkhard Leeb and Dr. Sander W. Tas.

Can-Fite is currently enrolling 500 patients in Europe, Canada, and Israel in a Phase III study of Piclidenoson as a first-line treatment for rheumatoid arthritis. The study will evaluate Piclidenoson as compared to placebo, and compared to methotrexate, the current standard of care for first-line treatment of rheumatoid arthritis.

"This highly productive forum with our distribution partner Gebro is an opportunity for us to engage directly with their network of doctors in Europe regarding how Piclidenoson may meet an unmet need for patients who seek a safe and effective treatment for newly diagnosed rheumatoid arthritis," stated Can-Fite CEO Dr. Pnina Fishman.

"Gebro considers Piclidenoson as an important milestone to strengthen its competence in the treatment of RA and psoriasis and to provide patients with an innovative concept of treatment for such diseases," stated Gebro Pharma CEO Dr. Christian Kollenz.





#### **About Piclidenoson**

Piclidenoson is a novel, first-in-class, A3 adenosine receptor agonist (A3AR) small molecule, orally bioavailable drug with a favorable therapeutic index demonstrated in Phase II clinical studies. Piclidenoson is currently under development for the treatment of autoimmune inflammatory diseases. It is being evaluated in a Phase III study as a first line treatment for rheumatoid arthritis and a Phase III study in the treatment of moderate-to-severe psoriasis.

#### About Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd.

Can-Fite BioPharma Ltd. (NYSE American: CANF) (TASE: CFBI) is an advanced clinical stage drug development Company with a platform technology that is designed to address multi-billion dollar markets in the treatment of cancer, inflammatory disease and sexual dysfunction. The Company's lead drug candidate, Piclidenoson, is currently in Phase III trials for rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis. Can-Fite's liver cancer drug, Namodenoson, recently completed a Phase II trial for hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), the most common form of liver cancer, and is in a Phase II trial for the treatment of non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). Namodenoson has been granted Orphan Drug Designation in the U.S. and Europe and Fast Track Designation as a second line treatment for HCC by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Namodenoson has also shown proof of concept to potentially treat other cancers including colon, prostate, and melanoma. CF602, the Company's third drug candidate, has shown efficacy in the treatment of erectile dysfunction in preclinical studies and the Company is investigating additional compounds, targeting A3AR, for the treatment of sexual dysfunction. These drugs have an excellent safety profile with experience in over 1,000 patients in clinical studies to date. For more information please visit: www.can-fite.com.

#### About Gebro Pharma

Gebro Pharma is a privately-owned leading pharma group founded in Austria in the late 1940s, with over 500 employees and more than 70 years of experience in research, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical specialties. Its headquarters are located in Fieberbrunn (Austria), where Gebro is one of the main local players, with commercial operations also in Spain and Switzerland. With a total turnover of 185M€ in 2018, Gebro is positioned as a leader in pain and rheumatology with a strong portfolio.

Additionally, Gebro Pharma has also built a portfolio around urology, respiratory, dermatology, GI and CV depending on the territory.





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