

## NERVGEN PHARMA ANNOUNCES UPGRADE TO THE OTCQX® BEST MARKET IN THE U.S.

Vancouver, Canada. June 10, 2019 – NervGen Pharma Corp. (TSX-V: NGEN) (OTCQX: NGENF) ("NervGen" or the "Company"), a regenerative medicine company dedicated to creating innovative solutions for the treatment of nerve damage and neurodegenerative diseases, today announced that the Company has qualified to trade its common shares on the OTCQX<sup>®</sup> Best Market ("OTCQX"). NervGen upgraded to OTCQX from the OTCQB<sup>®</sup> Venture Market and begins trading today under the symbol "NGENF".

"The upgrade from the OTCQB to the OTCQX Market will expand our exposure within the U.S. financial community," said Bill Radvak, NervGen's Executive Chairman. "This is an important step in our finance strategy as we continue to aggressively drive our NVG-291 compound for nerve regeneration towards human clinical trials."

U.S. investors can find current financial disclosure and Real-Time Level 2 quotes for the Company on www.otcmarkets.com.

## About NervGen

NervGen is restoring life's potential by creating innovative solutions for the treatment of nerve damage, including spinal cord injuries and peripheral nerve injuries. The Company also continues to research secondary applications such as multiple sclerosis, stroke, acute myocardial infarction induced arrhythmia ("AMI", commonly known as a heart attack) and other neurodegenerative diseases.

NervGen plans to initiate a Phase 1 human clinical trial for its lead compound, NVG-291, in early 2020 under an Investigational New Drug application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. NervGen is advancing NVG-291 for the treatment of spinal cord injury as the Company believes this indication is a significant opportunity due to the current lack of non-surgical solutions in the market, the dramatic impact on quality of life and the high cost burden to the healthcare system. The Company believes NVG-291 as a therapy could alleviate or improve upon the symptoms and conditions associated with spinal cord injury and empower these patients to live more active and productive lives.

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