

Fuad Fares

Co-founder

Company: **CanCuRX Ltd.**

Striding towards a novel treatment for one of the deadliest cancers.

Based on mushroom-derived compound, inhibiting progression of pancreatic cancer cells.

University of Haifa researchers working to improve survival for patients with pancreatic cancer joined with Carmel, the University's economic corporation, and established CanCurX to further develop a novel treatment for this deadly disease.

Leading research and development is Prof. Fuad Fares of the Faculty of Natural Sciences. In 2009 he founded biomedical start-up Prolor Biotech, which engineered a platform that prolongs the lifespan and efficacy of therapeutic proteins in treating deficiencies. (Prolor Biotech was acquired by Opko Health in 2013.)

Prof. Fares and Dr. Lital Sharvit have accomplished successful research leading toward the development of a novel treatment for pancreatic cancer. Their discovery is based on properties of a mushroom-derived compound that arrest pancreatic cell growth.