



Living Cell Technologies Ltd

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Living Cell Technologies Reports on 12-Month Clinical Effects of DiabeCell® at Annual General Meeting

November 6, 2008 – Sydney, Australia, Auckland, New Zealand and Boulder, USA – Living Cell Technologies Limited (ASX: LCT; OTCQX: LVCLY) today updated shareholders at their Annual General Meeting in Adelaide, Australia on the Phase I/IIa clinical trial of DiabeCell®, LCT's lead product candidate for the treatment of insulin dependent (Type 1) diabetes.

A total of six patients have been implanted with DiabeCell® to date; five patients received the lowest dose of 5,000 islet equivalents (IEQ/kg), and one patient was dosed with 10,000 IEQ/kg. Of the initial five patients, four have had a second dose and two patients have been observed for more than 12 months. Of the two patients followed for more than a year, observations include:

Patient one has maintained HbA1c at the ideal level of 6.7 percent with less insulin. His daily insulin dose requirement varies and has been reduced by 25 percent to 46 percent compared to his pre-treatment insulin usage.

Patient two did not require insulin for five months after the first implant and now uses 36 percent less insulin daily than before the DiabeCell® implant.

To date there have been no remarkable adverse events.

Prof Bob Elliott, LCT Medical Director said "The results from this trial continue to be encouraging. The first patients treated with DiabeCell® have now been followed for more than a year. In these patients, treatment with DiabeCell® has resulted in a substantial decrease in daily insulin requirements, excellent diabetes control and improvement in quality of life."

Robert Caspari, M.D., Chief Executive Officer of LCT said, "We are pleased to report on this progress with DiabeCell® and intend to complete the implants in the first 10 patients in Moscow by early 2009. I am also pleased to report that LCT has met with the team at Middlemore Hospital in Auckland, New Zealand to start the process of enrolling suitable volunteers for the Phase IIa trial with DiabeCell® using higher doses."

Last month, LCT reported receiving approval to commence a clinical trial from the New Zealand Minister of Health. The New Zealand trial is to enroll eight patients, four of whom are to receive the higher dose of 10,000 IEQ/kg followed by four patients to receive 15,000 IEQ/kg.

DiabeCell® is LCT's encapsulated porcine insulin-producing cell product, currently in development for the treatment of type 1 diabetes without the use of immunosuppressive drugs.

Type 1 diabetes occurs when the body's own immune system destroys the insulin-producing cells of the pancreas (called beta cells). Five to 10 percent of the more than 200 million diabetics worldwide have insulin dependent type 1 diabetes. There are approximately 30,000 new cases of diabetes diagnosed each year in the U.S., of whom approximately 40 percent are children. Type 1 diabetes is associated with kidney failure, blindness, nerve damage, life-threatening cardiovascular disease and limb amputations. Current treatment options include multiple daily injections of insulin.

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LCT is developing cell-based products to treat life threatening human diseases. The Company owns a biocertified pig herd that it uses as a source of cells for treating diabetes and neurological disorders. For patients with Type 1 diabetes, the Company transplants microencapsulated islet cells so that near-normal blood glucose levels may be achieved without the need for administration of insulin or at significantly reduced levels. The company entered clinical trials for its diabetes product in 2007. For the treatment of Huntington's disease and other neurological disorders, the company transplants microencapsulated choroid plexus cells that deliver beneficial proteins and neurotrophic factors to the brain. LCT's technology enables healthy living cells to be injected into patients to replace or repair damaged tissue without requiring the use of immunosuppressive drugs to prevent rejection. LCT also offers medical-grade porcine-derived products for the repair and replacement of damaged tissues, as well as for research and other purposes.

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