

CollPlant Appoints Professor Shay Soker from Wake Forest Institute for Regenerative Medicine to its Scientific Advisory Board

NESS ZIONA, Israel, June 19, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- CollPlant (NASDAQ:CLGN) (TASE:CLGN), a regenerative medicine company utilizing its proprietary plant-based rhCollagen (recombinant human collagen) technology for tissue repair products, today announced the appointment of Shay Soker, Professor at the Wake Forest Institute for Regenerative Medicine (WFIRM), to its Scientific Advisory Board.

"Shay is a highly regarded and widely published authority in the field of regenerative medicine, and we are delighted to add someone of his caliber to an already world-class Scientific Advisory Board," said Yehiel Tal, chief executive officer of CollPlant. "We believe Shay's expertise in tissue engineering will prove invaluable to the leadership team, and we look forward to his insights and guidance as we work to advance development of our lead program, rhCollagen-based Biolnks, for the 3D bioprinting of tissues and organs."

"I have known CollPlant for some time and have been thoroughly impressed with its rhCollagen which appears to be the ideal building block to support and enhance regeneration of tissues and organs", commented Prof. Soker. "I look forward to working with CollPlant's team to bring this exciting and novel technology to market."

Prof. Soker brings over 25 years of expertise in the areas of tissue engineering, stem cells, tissue scaffolds, cell differentiation and bioengineering to CollPlant. He currently serves as Professor of Regenerative Medicine and the Scientific Officer for WFIRM. Prof. Soker is an affiliated Professor of Cancer Biology, Physiology & Pharmacology, Biomedical Engineering and Surgical Sciences at the Wake Forest School of Medicine.

Prof. Soker received his Ph.D. from the Technion-Israel Institute for Technology and was a postdoctoral trainee in the Department of Surgical Research at the Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Working with Michael Klagsbrum and the late Judah Folkman, Prof. Soker's research focused on vascular biology, with emphasis on angiogenic growth factors and their receptors. Prof. Soker joined the Laboratory for Tissue Engineering and Cellular Therapies, under the leadership of Anthony Atala, and was promoted to Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School. In 2004, Prof. Soker joined the Wake Forest School of Medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, North Carolina to launch WFIRM. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 2004 and has been a tenured professor since 2010. Prof. Soker has developed programs in neo-vascularization of bioengineered tissues, stem cell from different sources for tissue engineering in vitro and in vivo and tissue-derived extracellular matrices as scaffolds for whole organ bioengineering. Prof. Soker had published this technology for the engineering of organs and tissues including liver, kidney, pancreas, intestine, cornea and more.

Prof. Soker has authored more than 160 scientific publications and reviews and has contributed chapters to numerous books. Over the course of his distinguished career, he has been the recipient of many academic awards, and has received research grants from the National Institutes of Health and the Department of Defense, as well as numerous foundations and industry. Prof. Soker is a frequent and highly sought-after speaker at scientific meetings and conferences.

About CollPlant

CollPlant is a regenerative medicine company focused on 3D bioprinting of tissues and organs, developing and commercializing tissue repair products for orthobiologics, and advanced wound care markets. The Company's products are based on its rhCollagen (recombinant human collagen) that is produced with its proprietary plant-based genetic engineering technology.

CollPlant's products address indications for diverse fields of organ and tissue repair and are ushering in a new era in regenerative medicine. The Company's flagship rhCollagen Biolnk product line provides an ideal building block for 3D bioprinting of tissues and organs, and its unique Vergenix line of rhCollagen products includes a soft tissue repair matrix for treating tendinopathy and a wound repair matrix to promote a rapid optimal healing of acute and chronic wounds.

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