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PharmaCyte Biotech Raises Additional \$1 Million for Pancreatic Cancer Clinical Trial

SILVER SPRING, Md., Jan. 14, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc. (OTCQB:PMCB), a clinical stage biotechnology company focused on developing targeted treatments for cancer and diabetes using its signature live-cell encapsulation technology, Cell-in-a-Box[®], announced today that the Company raised an additional \$1 million. A Form 8-K was filed yesterday with the SEC providing the details of the capital raise. PharmaCyte has shown repeatedly the ability to raise the funds necessary to get into a pancreatic cancer clinical trial and to continue its work in both pancreatic cancer and diabetes.

PharmaCyte's Chief Executive Officer, Kenneth L. Waggoner, stated, "We have a lot of work ahead of us this year at PharmaCyte. With the recently announced private placement of just over \$1 million, we have not only increased our cash on hand to over \$3.0 million but have increased our leverage in the capital markets. What is mission critical for PharmaCyte is getting into a pancreatic cancer clinical trial and producing the data that is necessary for us to approach the FDA. We have every expectation that will occur this year."

About PharmaCyte Biotech

PharmaCyte Biotech is a clinical stage biotechnology company focused on developing and preparing to commercialize treatments for cancer and diabetes based upon a proprietary cellulose-based live cell encapsulation technology known as "Cell-in-a-Box[®]." This unique and patented technology will be used as a platform upon which treatments for several types of cancer and diabetes are being developed.

PharmaCyte's treatment for cancer involves encapsulating genetically modified live cells that convert an inactive chemotherapy drug (ifosfamide) into its active or "cancer-killing" form. These encapsulated live cells are placed as close to a cancerous tumor as possible. Once implanted in a patient, ifosfamide is then given intravenously at one-third the normal dose. The ifosfamide is carried by the circulatory system to where the encapsulated cells have been placed. When ifosfamide, which is normally activated in the liver, comes in contact with the encapsulated live cells, activation of the drug takes place at the source of the cancer without any side effects from the chemotherapy. This "targeted chemotherapy" has proven remarkably effective and safe to use in past clinical trials.

In addition to developing a novel treatment for cancer, PharmaCyte is developing a treatment for Type 1 diabetes and Type 2 insulin-dependent diabetes. PharmaCyte plans to encapsulate a human cell line that has been genetically engineered to produce, store and release insulin in response to the levels of blood sugar in the human body. The encapsulation will be done using the Cell-in-a-Box[®] technology.

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