

PharmaCyte Biotech Passing All Completed Tests on Clinical Trial Product

LAGUNA HILLS, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc. (OTCQB: PMCB), a biotechnology company focused on developing cellular therapies for cancer and diabetes using its signature live-cell encapsulation technology, Cell-in-a-Box[®], announced today that both batches of the company's manufactured clinical trial product have now passed 7 of the 10 completed "release tests" per batch required by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), including the test for "enzymatic activity" on both batches.

PharmaCyte's Chief Executive Officer, Kenneth L. Waggoner, said, "As we expected, each batch of our clinical trial product is performing well during 'release testing.' There are 10 tests in total being performed on each batch that was manufactured by Austrianova. These tests will provide essential data for us to complete our Investigational New Drug application (IND). This data, together with other information and data we are developing, will enable us to submit the IND to the FDA to request approval for our planned clinical trial in locally advanced, inoperable pancreatic cancer (LAPC). There are 3 tests that remain outstanding on each batch before we are completely done with release testing."

PharmaCyte's partner, Austrianova Singapore (Austrianova), is conducting release tests related to the "functionality" of the encapsulated cells, while third-party laboratories are conducting release tests related to the "safety" of the company's clinical trial product.

To learn more about PharmaCyte's pancreatic cancer treatment and how it works inside the body to treat locally advanced inoperable pancreatic cancer, we encourage you to watch the company's documentary video complete with medical animations at: https://www.PharmaCyte.com/Cancer

About PharmaCyte Biotech

PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc. (PharmaCyte) is a biotechnology company developing cellular therapies for cancer and diabetes based upon a proprietary cellulose-based live cell encapsulation technology known as "Cell-in-a-Box[®]." This technology will be used as a platform upon which therapies for several types of cancer and diabetes are being developed.

PharmaCyte's therapy for cancer involves encapsulating genetically engineered human cells that convert an inactive chemotherapy drug into its active or "cancer-killing" form. For pancreatic cancer, these encapsulated cells are implanted in the blood supply to the patient's tumor as close as possible to the site of the tumor. Once implanted, a chemotherapy drug that is normally activated in the liver (ifosfamide) is given intravenously at one-third the normal dose. The ifosfamide is carried by the circulatory system to where the encapsulated cells have been implanted. When the ifosfamide flows through pores in the capsules, the live cells inside act as a "bio-artificial liver" and activate the chemotherapy drug at the site of the cancer. This "targeted chemotherapy" has proven effective and safe to use

in past clinical trials and results in little to no treatment related side effects.

PharmaCyte's therapy for Type 1 diabetes and insulin-dependent Type 2 diabetes involves encapsulating a human cell line that has been genetically engineered to produce and release insulin in response to the levels of blood sugar in the human body. PharmaCyte is developing the use of genetically modified liver cells and stem cells, as well as beta islet cells, to treat diabetes. The encapsulation will be done using the Cell-in-a-Box[®] technology. Once the encapsulated cells are implanted in a diabetic patient, they will function as a "bio-artificial pancreas" for purposes of insulin production.

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More information about PharmaCyte can be found at www.PharmaCyte.com. Information may also be obtained by contacting PharmaCyte's Investor Relations Department.

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