

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc. Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd.

## OTSUKA PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORY INVESTS IN LIVING CELL TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED, A BIOTECHNOLOGY COMPANY ADVANCING DEVELOPMENT OF ENCAPSULATED PORCINE PANCREATIC ISLET REPLACEMENT TREATMENT

Tokyo, April 12, 2011 — Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc. (head office: Naruto City, Tokushima, Japan; President: Ichiro Otsuka) ("OPF") entered into a share subscription agreement on April 12, 2011 with Living Cell Technologies Limited (head office: Auckland, New Zealand, Managing Director & CEO: Ross Macdonald) ("LCT") with respect to subscription for LCT's new shares.

Under the agreement, OPF will invest AUD3 million in LCT for 25 million ordinary shares (A\$0.12 per share). This investment will result in OPF holding 8.2% of LCT's outstanding shares.

In addition to subscription for LCT's new shares, OPF has earned an exclusive right to negotiate with LCT for research and development toward commercialization of LCT's pancreatic islet "DIABECELL" and exclusive license and distribution right in Japan and other Asian countries (except for China).

It is OPF's objective, through obtaining the rights for development and commercialization of this pancreatic islet DIABECELL, to offer additional therapeutic options for patients with diabetes, and to strengthen its R&D in the field of regenerative medicine and further actively expand its business not only in Japan but also on the international stage.

Based on Otsuka Group's corporate philosophy "Otsuka - people creating new products for better health worldwide", OPF is constantly working to help improve the health of people in all parts of the world.

## **Company Profile**

**Living Cell Technologies Limited** 

Company : 1987

Establishment

Capital : AUD 52,430,728

(Listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX))

Company : Ross Macdonald, Managing Director & CEO

Representative

Head Office : 19 Laureston Avenue, Hunters Corner, Manukau 2155,

Address Auckland, New Zealand

Employees : 56

Scope of : Development of cell therapy utilizing cell encapsulation

Business technology

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc.

Company : September 1,1921

Establishment

Capital : 80 million yen

Company : Ichiro Otsuka, President

Representative

Head Office : 115 Kuguhara, Tateiwa, Muya-cho, Naruto, Tokushima

Address 772-8601, Japan

Employees : 2,504 (as of March 31, 2011)

Scope of : Manufacture and sale of pharmaceutical and nutritional

Business products