



## **Pluristem Continues to Strengthen its Position in China and Receives Key Cell Therapy Patent**

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**HAIFA, ISRAEL, November 7, 2016 --** [Pluristem Therapeutics Inc.](#) (NasdaqCM: PSTI, TASE: PSTI), a leading developer of placenta-based cell therapy products, today announced that the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China has issued an allowance to Pluristem for its patent application titled, “Adherent Cells From Adipose or Placenta Tissues and Use Thereof In Therapy”. The patent addresses methods of treating Ischemic conditions such as CLI using placental cells. Additional patents of Pluristem in China cover methods of expanding placental cells in a 3D apparatus, various therapeutic uses of placental cells and devices for a 3D culture of placental cells.

“This most recent patent strengthens our intellectual property position globally, and specifically in the Chinese market. With our recent announcement of potential strategic partnership with Innovative Medical, we believe that PLX cell therapy products may have an important role in addressing the needs of China’s rapidly growing healthcare market and aging population,” stated Pluristem Chairman and CEO, Zami Aberman.

### **About Pluristem Therapeutics**

Pluristem Therapeutics Inc. is a leading developer of placenta-based cell therapy products. The Company has reported robust clinical trial data in multiple indications for its patented PLX (PLacental eXpanded) cells. The cell products release a range of therapeutic proteins in response to inflammation, ischemia, hematological disorders, and radiation damage. PLX cell products are grown using the Company's proprietary three-dimensional expansion technology. They are off-the-shelf, requiring no tissue matching prior to administration.

Pluristem has a strong intellectual property position; Company-owned and operated, GMP-certified manufacturing and research facilities; strategic relationships with major research institutions; and a seasoned management team.

### **Safe Harbor Statement**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and federal securities laws. For

example, we are using forward-looking statements when we discuss that our products may have an important role in addressing the needs of China's rapidly growing healthcare market and aging population. These forward-looking statements and their implications are based on the current expectations of the management of Pluristem only, and are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements: changes in technology and market requirements; we may encounter delays or obstacles in launching and/or successfully completing our clinical trials; our products may not be approved by regulatory agencies, our technology may not be validated as we progress further and our methods may not be accepted by the scientific community; we may be unable to retain or attract key employees whose knowledge is essential to the development of our products; unforeseen scientific difficulties may develop with our process; our products may wind up being more expensive than we anticipate; results in the laboratory may not translate to equally good results in real clinical settings; results of preclinical studies may not correlate with the results of human clinical trials; our patents may not be sufficient; our products may harm recipients; changes in legislation; inability to timely develop and introduce new technologies, products and applications; loss of market share and pressure on pricing resulting from competition, which could cause the actual results or performance of Pluristem to differ materially from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. Except as otherwise required by law, Pluristem undertakes no obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. For a more detailed description of the risks and uncertainties affecting Pluristem, reference is made to Pluristem's reports filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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