Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

## WARNING LETTER

Between October 18 and November 9, 2004, Ms. Teena Aiken, representing the United States (U.S.) Food and Drug Administration (FDA), conducted an investigation and met with you to review the responsibilities of Cell Point, LLC (Cell Point), as sponsor of two

## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Reference No. 06-HFD-45-0603

Mr. Terry A. Colip, Chief Financial Officer Cell Point, L.L.C. 7120 E. Orchard Road, Suite 350 Centennial, Colorado 80111

Dear Mr. Colip:

studies conducted at	in which	
numan subjects received investigational drug produ	icts. The inspection of Cell Point was	
prompted by information that the investigational dr	ug product used in the	
study was prepared from raw materials that were of	f human placenta origin and	
potentially infectious. The purpose of this inspection	on was to determine whether you were	
n compliance with the regulations governing the us	se of investigational drugs and the	
conduct of clinical trials contained in Title 21 of the	e Code of Federal Regulations (CFR),	
Part 312. The inspection included the following tw	o studies:	
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Protocol "Biodistribution and Pl Jin Patients with Breast Cancer," of the in	narmacokinetics of	
Jin Patients with Breast Cancer," of the in	vestigational new drug	
Protocol "Comparison of	7 ,5	7
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PET Scans for (1) the Evaluation of Patients	1 0	
Persistent/Recurrent Squamous Cell Carcino	•	
Treatment with Radiation Therapy and (2) t	Υ" "	
Cancer Patients," of the investigational new		
conducted under Investigatio	onal New Drug Application (IND)	
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Ms. Aiken presented and discussed with you the items listed on the Form FDA 483, Inspectional Observations, at the conclusion of the inspection. This inspection is a part of FDA's Bioresearch Monitoring Program, which includes inspections designed to evaluate

the conduct of research and to ensure that the rights, safety, and welfare of the human subjects of those studies have been protected.

From our review of the establishment inspection report, the documents submitted with the report, and Cell Point's February 16, 2005 written response from Mr. Chief Technology Officer, to FDA, we conclude that Cell Point failed to adhere to the applicable statutory requirements and FDA regulations governing sponsor responsibilities in the conduct of clinical investigations. We wish to emphasize the following:

## 1. Cell Point failed to conduct the study under an investigational new drug (IND) application [21 CFR 312.2(a); 21 CFR 312.20].

Cell Point was the sponsor for a clinical investigation (Protocol) that studied \_\_\_\_\_i

subjects to evaluate, among other things, "the use of	_for the
detection and imaging of treatment-related apoptosis in patients with [pr	imary
breast cancer]." In Cell Point's written response of February 16, 2005, N	Λr.
acknowledged that Cell Point served as sponsor for protocol	Jano
should have had an IND in effect prior to the conduct of the study.	~
Mr. [ ] also stated that Cell Point originally believed that the study conducted under 21 CFR Part 361 (Prescription Drugs for Human Use Grecognized as Safe and Effective and Not Misbranded: Drugs Used in Following review and approval by the [ ] Institutional Review (IRB) and Radioactive Drug Research Committee (RDRC) and, therefor require an IND. Protocol [ ] fails to meet the criteria for studies to conducted under 21 CRF part 361. Specifically:	enerally Research) v Board e, did not

- Studies intended to evaluate the immediate diagnostic use of a drug are excluded from 21 CFR part 361. Protocol was intended to evaluate the ability of to detect treatment-related apoptosis in women being treated for primary breast cancer (an immediate diagnostic purpose within the meaning of 21 CFR 361.1(a)).

induce an immunological response in humans.

- For studies under 21 CFR part 361, the dose administered must be based
  on data from the published literature or other valid human studies (21 CFR
  361.1(d)(2)). There is no documentation to indicate that pharmacological
  dose calculations were made based on data from the published literature or
  other valid human studies.
- For studies under 21 CFR 361, the radioactive drug used in the research must meet appropriate chemical, pharmaceutical, radiochemical, and radionuclidic standards of identity, strength, quality, and purity as needed for safety and be prepared in sterile and pyrogen-free form [21 CFR 361.1(d)(6)]. You failed to ensure that the was appropriately processed or tested to ensure that it was free of transmissible human pathogens and that it was in a sterile and pyrogen-free form.

FDA's primary objectives in reviewing an IND are to assure the safety and rights of subjects and to help assure that the quality of the scientific evaluation of drugs is adequate to permit an evaluation of the drug's effectiveness and safety (21 CFR 312.22). Your protocol failed to consider factors that you would have been required to address in an IND submission (21 CFR 312.23) and your failure to consider these factors may have threatened the rights and safety of your subjects. We note that:

a. Cell Point failed to provide appropriate chemistry, manufacturing, and control information in order to ensure the proper identification, quality, purity, and strength of the investigational new drug, as required by 21 CFR 312.23(a)(7)(i).

The relatively short radioactive half-life of precluded completion of sterility testing prior to test article administration. For this reason, Cell Point should have ensured that all materials used in producing the investigational new drug were sterile, and that the investigational new drug itself was produced in an aseptic environment. Our investigation determined that sterility testing of the components was not done, and that was not produced in an aseptic manner.

In addition, our inspection	n found no evidence that	testing was
done prior to	administration. We no	te that the half-
life of	was sufficient to permit	testing (for
example, by the	detection method) before	
investigational new drug v	was administered to humans. W	e acknowledge
that batch samples of	were sent to a	n independent
facility for	testing. However, th	
performed only after the to	en study subjects had received th	ie

investigational new drug.

		Point le before Howev	and completed the sterility and tests on each sample sending them to the clinic for administration to study subjects. Ver, there was no documentation available on inspection to support point's claim that the testing was done prior to administration.
		b.	Cell Point failed to take measures to minimize risks to human subjects as required by 21 CFR 312.23(a)(6)(iii)(g).
		investifailed the [investilabeled Datash capable found]	vestigation determined that Cell Point failed to ensure that the gational new drug was free of transmissible human pathogens, and to assess the immunological effect of the Specifically, protein used to prepare the gational new drug was derived from human placenta and was a "not for drug, household or other uses." The Material Safety leet (MSDS) for Stated, "Biohazard Handle as if e of transmitting infectious agents." In addition, our investigation no evidence that the 75-microgram dose of had been to assure that it would not induce an immunological effect.
		results qualita However free of present no door	ding to your February 16, 2005, response, "The certificate of is of showed this lot has been tested for We note that your response also included dated January 4, 2005, of assay for the detection of and results dated January 6, 2005, of tive real-time assay for the detection of ever, this limited testing is insufficient to ensure that the product was the broad range of transmissible pathogens that may have been to in material derived from human placenta. For example, there was sumentation that the study product was sufficiently tested for other contamination, including
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2.			led to ensure proper monitoring of the clinical investigation [21 21 CFR 312.56, and 21 CFR 312.53(d)].
	Cell P requir provid	oint mo ed by 21 le docur	spection you failed to provide documentation demonstrating that nitored the progress of Protocols and and as CFR 312.50 and 21 CFR 312.56(a). In addition, you failed to nentation that Cell Point selected monitors qualified by training and monitor the clinical investigations [21 CFR 312.53(d)].

This letter is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies with your clinical studies of investigational drugs. It is Cell Point's responsibility as the sponsor of the clinical studies to ensure adherence to FDA regulations. Cell Point should address these deficiencies and establish procedures to ensure that any ongoing or future studies will be in compliance with the regulations.

Because of the departures from FDA regulations discussed above, please inform this office, in writing, within 15 working days of your receipt of this letter, of the actions Cell Point has taken or plans to take to prevent similar violations in the future. Failure to adequately and promptly respond may result in further regulatory action.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Leslie Ball, at (301) 594-1032, FAX (301) 827-5290. Cell Point's written response and any pertinent documentation should be addressed to:

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