

BrainStorm Granted United States Patent for its Stem Cell Technology

HACKENSACK, N.J. and PETACH TIKVAH, Israel, Oct. 31, 2016 [/PRNewswire/](#) -- BrainStorm Cell Therapeutics Inc. (NASDAQ: BCLI), a leading developer of adult stem cell therapeutics for neurodegenerative diseases, announced that it has been granted United States Patent No. 9,474,787 titled "Mesenchymal Stem Cells for the Treatment of CNS Diseases."

The allowed claims cover mesenchymal stem cells that secrete neurotrophic factors, including brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) and glial derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF), as well as a pharmaceutical compositions comprising these factors.

"We are pleased that the US Patent Office continues to recognize the innovative nature of NurOwn[®], our proprietary, differentiated mesenchymal stem cells, for use as a pharmaceutical," commented BrainStorm's CEO Chaim Lebovits. "This patent, along with the previously granted patents and patent applications, is part of our strategy to aggressively establish a broad portfolio of intellectual property to protect all of our commercially important discoveries."

This patent is the result of Brainstorm's ongoing joint development of NurOwn[®] together with the Tel Aviv University, and reflects the collaboration between the company and the laboratory of Prof. Dani Offen, the company's chief scientist.

About BrainStorm Cell Therapeutics Inc.

BrainStorm Cell Therapeutics Inc. is a biotechnology company engaged in the development of first-of-its-kind adult stem cell therapies derived from autologous bone marrow cells for the treatment of neurodegenerative diseases. The Company holds the rights to develop and commercialize its NurOwn[®] technology through an exclusive, worldwide licensing agreement with Ramot, the technology transfer company of Tel Aviv University. NurOwn[®] has been administered to over 30 patients with ALS in clinical trials conducted in Israel, and is currently being studied in a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial in the United States. For more information, visit the company's website at www.brainstorm-cell.com.

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