

LifeCell gains accreditation from the College of American Pathologists (CAP)

~ Receives International endorsement for its high quality laboratory practices and standards ~

Chennai, November 18, 2010: LifeCell International, India's premier umbilical cord stem cell bank today announced that it has received accreditation from the "College of American Pathologists" (CAP) under their 'Laboratory Accreditation Program'. The CAP accreditation is awarded based on excellence and compliance to international regulatory, quality and safety standards of the laboratory. This accreditation positions LifeCell in the international quality compliance platform as it joins 7000 other laboratories in the world who have been able to receive this respected and recognized certification.

The accreditation certifies overall quality management, test methodologies, specifications, reagents, equipments, specimen handling, test reporting and internal and external performance assessment. In addition, personnel requirements, safety, document management and other administrative practices are also included in the inspection.

Speaking on the accreditation, **Mr. Mayur Abhaya, Executive Director, LifeCell International**, said, "We are proud to announce the CAP accreditation of our laboratory. This accreditation reiterates our commitment to setting new benchmarks for the stem cell industry by providing a high quality of service to customers who bank their child's precious lifesaving stem cells with us."

CAP is a prestigious International accreditation recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Accreditation follows a comprehensive and stringent system of audit that ensures that the laboratory follows systems and procedures which are in compliance or exceeds the requirements of the regulatory requirements.

About LifeCell International Pvt. Ltd: LifeCell International was established in 2004, in technological collaboration with Cryo-Cell International Inc, USA - the world's first private stem cell bank. LifeCell today is India's largest stem cell bank with over 70 centers in India and abroad. It is the first stem cell bank in India to be accredited by the AABB (American Association of Blood Banks). Today LifeCell has over twenty five thousand members across the country who have preserved their baby's cord blood & cord tissue stem cells. LifeCell will soon be launching another revolutionary service of Menstrual Blood Stem Cell Banking for every woman to preserve her stem cells and potentially secure her future from life-threatening diseases. With this additional service LifeCell will be the first &



only comprehensive stem cells solutions provider to offer a complete spectrum of services in stem cells through multi-service banking, R&D, Clinical Trials and Stem Cell Therapy.