



Collect Appoints Dr. Ronit Bakimer-Kleiner as Chief Development Officer

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Collect Biotechnology Ltd. (Nasdaq: [APOP](#)), a developer of stem cells selection technology, announced today that it has nominated Dr. Ronit Bakimer-Kleiner as Chief Development Officer replacing Dr. Yaron Pereg.

Dr. Bakimer-Kleiner has over twenty years of experience as a scientist and executive manager in the biotechnological industrial environment. She has amassed comprehensive knowledge in cell therapy and GMP manufacturing and has an extensive background in immunology, autoimmunity and cell biology, and in management of GMP facilities and tech-transfer. Ronit has been involved in project planning and management, product development from the bench to production.

Formerly, Ronit served as the General Manager of Cognate Bioservices LTD. (Israel) and was the laboratory director of the International Center for Cell Therapy & Cancer (ICTC) of Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center as well as Director of Cell Therapy at Proneuron Biotechnologies.

Dr. Shai Yarkoni, Company CEO, commented: "Ronit strengthens Collect management with vital experience in the field of stem cell technology and product development. We welcome her to our family and wish her success in her new role as our Chief Development Officer of Collect. We would also like to thank Yaron for his significant contribution and we wish him all the best in his new CEO position."

About Collect Biotechnology Ltd.

Collect Biotechnology (NASDAQ: [APOP](#) /NASDAQ: [APOPW](#)) has developed a breakthrough technology for the selection of stem cells from any given tissue that aims to improve a variety of stem cell applications.

The Company's technology is expected to provide pharma companies, medical research centers and hospitals with the tools to rapidly isolate stem cells in quantity and quality that will allow stem cell related treatments and procedures. Collect's technology is applicable to a wide variety of stem cell related treatments in regenerative medicine and current clinical trials are aimed at the cancer treatment of bone marrow transplantations.

Forward Looking Statements

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