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**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

(to Prospectus dated April 6, 2009)

**CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

**16,000,000 Shares of Common Stock**

**Warrants to Purchase 4,800,000 Shares of Common Stock**

Pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, we are offering up to 16,000,000 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase up to 4,800,000 shares of our common stock (and the shares of common stock issuable from time to time upon exercise of the offered warrants) to a single institutional investor. The purchase price for each share of common stock and a warrant exercisable for .30 shares of our common stock is \$1.25. Each warrant to purchase shares of our common stock will have an exercise price of \$1.40 per share. The warrants are exercisable immediately and will terminate on May 11, 2014. The shares of common stock and the warrants will be issued separately but can only be purchased together in this offering.

The warrants will not be listed on any national securities exchange. Our common stock is quoted on The Nasdaq Capital Market and on the MTA stock market in Italy under the symbol CTIC. On May 8, 2009, the last reported sale price of our common stock on The Nasdaq Capital Market was \$1.19.

For a more detailed description of our common stock, the offered warrants and our common stock issuable from time to time upon exercise of the offered warrants, see the sections entitled Description of Capital Stock and Description of Warrants beginning on pages S-7 and S-9 of this prospectus supplement, respectively.

Rodman & Renshaw, LLC acted as the sole placement agent on this transaction. The placement agent is not purchasing or selling any of these securities nor is it required to sell any specific number or dollar amount of securities, but has agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to sell the securities offered by this prospectus supplement. We have agreed to pay the placement agent the placement agency fees set forth in the table below.

	Per share of common stock and warrant(1)	Total
Offering price of common stock and warrants to purchase common stock	\$ 1.2500	\$ 20,000,000
Placement agency fees	\$ 0.0625	\$ 1,000,000
Total proceeds to us before other expenses	\$ 1.1875	\$ 19,000,000

(1) Table excludes shares of common stock issuable on exercise of warrants offered hereby.

**Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement and on page 12 of the accompanying prospectus.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

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**ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the terms of this offering and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which gives more general information about shares of our common stock and other securities we may offer from time to time under our shelf registration statement, some of which may not apply to the securities offered by this prospectus supplement. To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus supplement, on the one hand, and the information contained in the accompanying prospectus or any document incorporated by reference therein, on the other hand, the information in this prospectus supplement shall control.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and contained or incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, our securities only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the respective dates thereof, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, or of any sale of our securities. It is important for you to read and consider all information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference, in making your investment decision. You should also read and consider the information in the documents we have referred you to in *Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference* in this prospectus supplement and *Where You Can Find More Information* in the accompanying prospectus.

**SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

In addition to the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, you should carefully consider the risk factors contained in and incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus when evaluating an investment in our securities. This prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus include *forward-looking statements* within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. All statements other than statements of historical fact are *forward-looking statements* for purposes of these provisions, including:

any projections of cash resources, revenues, operating expenses or other financial items;

any statements of the plans and objectives of management for future operations;

any statements concerning proposed new products or services;

any statements regarding future operations, plans, regulatory filings or approvals;

any statements regarding proposed financing activities;

any statements on plans regarding proposed or potential clinical trials or new drug filing strategies or timelines;

any statements regarding pending or future mergers or acquisitions; and

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any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance, and any statement of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing.

In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of terminology such as may, will, expects, plans, anticipates, estimates, potential, or continue or the negative thereof or other comparable terminology. There can be no assurance that such expectations or any of the forward-looking statements will prove

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to be correct, and actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in the forward-looking statements. Our future financial condition and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, the risk factors set forth in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. All forward-looking statements and reasons why results may differ included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are made as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statement or reason why actual results might differ.

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**SUMMARY**

*The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. The following summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in our securities. To understand this offering fully, you should read this entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus carefully, including the financial statements and the documents that we have incorporated by reference. Unless otherwise indicated, CTI, Company, we, us, our and similar terms refer to Cell Therapeutics, Inc. and its subsidiaries.*

**Our Company**

We develop, acquire and commercialize novel treatments for cancer. Our goal is to build a leading biopharmaceutical company with a diversified portfolio of proprietary oncology drugs. Our research, development, acquisition and in-licensing activities concentrate on identifying and developing new, less toxic and more effective ways to treat cancer.

***Pixantrone***

We are developing pixantrone, a novel anthracycline derivative, for the treatment of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, or NHL, and various other hematologic malignancies, solid tumors and immunological disorders. Pixantrone was studied in our EXTEND, or PIX 301, clinical trial, which was a phase III single-agent trial of pixantrone for patients with relapsed, aggressive NHL who received two or more prior therapies and who were sensitive to treatment with anthracyclines. In November 2008, we announced that this trial achieved the primary efficacy endpoint. Based on the outcome of the EXTEND trial and on the basis of pre-NDA communication we received from the Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, relating to this phase III trial, we began a rolling New Drug Application, or NDA submission to the FDA on April 13, 2009 and expect to complete the submission and request priority review from the FDA in the second quarter of 2009. If the NDA is granted priority review status, the FDA could provide us with a decision on the NDA before the end of 2009. In addition, in February 2009, we entered into an agreement with IDIS, Limited, or IDIS to manage pixantrone as an investigational drug on a named-patient basis in Europe. Pixantrone will be supplied by IDIS to healthcare professionals for the treatment of individual patients with relapsing aggressive non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. The program was initiated in May 2009.

The results of the EXTEND trial showed that patients randomized to treatment with pixantrone achieved a significantly higher rate of confirmed and unconfirmed complete remissions compared to patients treated with standard chemotherapy, had a significantly increased overall response rate, experienced a statistically significant improvement in median progression free survival and had a low incidence of certain side effects, including severe neutropenia complicated by either fever or documented infections, severe vomiting or diarrhea and hair loss, a very common side effect of other drugs in this class. Overall, the incidence of serious adverse events was similar between pixantrone and the control arm. The pixantrone patients had a higher incidence of leucopenia and neutropenia and numerically more severe cardiac events (five vs. two) than in the control arm with only one considered related to the study drug by the investigator. Disease progression reported as an adverse event was less frequent in pixantrone than in the control arm.

We also conducted the RAPID, or PIX203, phase II study (CHOP-R vs. CPOP-R) in which pixantrone is substituted for doxorubicin in the CHOP-R regimen compared to the standard CHOP-R regimen in patients with aggressive NHL. An interim analysis of the RAPID study, reported in July 2007, showed that to date, a majority of patients on both arms of the study achieved a major objective anti-tumor response (complete response or partial response). Patients on the pixantrone arm of the study had clinically significant less left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) drops, infections, and thrombocytopenia (a reduction in platelets in the blood), as well as significant reduction in febrile neutropenia. In early 2008, we closed enrollment on the RAPID trial because we had adequate sample size to demonstrate differences in cardiac events and other clinically relevant side effects between pixantrone and doxorubicin. We expect to report results from this trial in the fourth quarter of 2009.

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***OPAXIO***

We are developing OPAXIO (paclitaxel poliglumex), which we have previously referred to as XYOTAX, for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC, and ovarian cancer. While our STELLAR 2, 3 and 4 phase III clinical studies for OPAXIO, completed in the first half of 2005, did not meet their primary endpoints of superior overall survival, we believe that the reduction in toxicities coupled with superior convenience and less supportive care demonstrated in the STELLAR 4 phase III clinical trial merits consideration for approval as single-agent therapy for patients with advanced NSCLC who have poor performance status, or PS2. Currently there are no drugs approved for PS2 NSCLC patients. In March 2008, we submitted a Marketing Authorization Application, or MAA, to the European Medicines Agency, or EMEA, for first-line treatment of patients with advanced NSCLC who are PS2, based on a non-inferior survival and improved side effect profile which we believe was demonstrated in our STELLAR clinical trials. The application is based on a positive opinion we received from the EMEA's Scientific Advice Working Party, or SAWP; the EMEA agreed that switching the primary endpoint from superiority to non-inferiority is feasible if the retrospective justification provided in the marketing application is adequate. The discussions with the SAWP focused on using the STELLAR 4 study as primary evidence of non-inferiority and the STELLAR 3 study as supportive of the MAA. The application was accepted for review in April 2008 and the MAA has now entered the marketing approval review process, which generally takes 15 to 18 months. We expect to receive an opinion from the EMEA in mid 2009.

We are also developing OPAXIO for women with pre-menopausal levels of estrogen, regardless of age, who have advanced NSCLC with normal or poor performance status. We believe the lack of safe and effective treatment for women with advanced first-line NSCLC, who have pre-menopausal estrogen levels, represents an unmet medical need. Based on a pooled analysis of STELLAR 3 and 4 phase III trials for treatment of first-line NSCLC PS2 patients, we believe that there is a demonstrated statistically significant survival advantage among women receiving OPAXIO when compared to women or men receiving standard chemotherapy. A survival advantage for women over men was also demonstrated in a first-line phase II clinical trial of OPAXIO and carboplatin, known as the PGT202 trial, supporting the potential benefit observed in the STELLAR 3 and 4 trials. In September 2007, we initiated our PGT307 trial which focuses exclusively on NSCLC in women with pre-menopausal estrogen levels, the subset of patients where OPAXIO demonstrated the greatest potential survival advantage in the STELLAR trials. Although the FDA has established the requirement that two adequate and well-controlled pivotal studies demonstrating a statistically significant improvement in overall survival will be required for approval of OPAXIO in the NSCLC setting, we believe that compelling results from PGT307, along with supporting evidence from prior clinical trials, may enable us to submit an NDA in the United States. In early 2008, we limited enrollment on the PGT307 study to sites in the United States only, until either approval of the MAA by the EMEA or until positive results from the GOG0212 trial of OPAXIO for first-line maintenance therapy in ovarian cancer, as discussed below, are reported.

We are developing OPAXIO as potential maintenance therapy for women with advanced stage ovarian cancer who achieve a complete remission following first-line therapy with paclitaxel and carboplatin. This study, the GOG0212 trial, is under the control of the Gynecologic Oncology Group, or GOG, and is expected to enroll 1,100 patients by early 2012. Based on the number of events in the database, we are requesting an interim analysis be conducted by the GOG in the second half of 2009. If the GOG agrees to this timing and the interim analysis is successful, it could lead to an NDA filing in 2010.

***Brostallicin***

We are developing brostallicin through our wholly owned subsidiary, Systems Medicine LLC, or SM, which holds worldwide rights to use, develop, import and export brostallicin, a synthetic DNA minor groove binding agent that has demonstrated anti-tumor activity and a favorable safety profile in clinical trials in which more than 230 patients have been treated to date. SM currently uses a genomic-based platform to guide development of brostallicin. We expect to use that platform to guide development of our licensed oncology products in the future. We also have a strategic affiliation with the Translational Genomics Research Institute, or TGen, and have the ability to use TGen's extensive genomic platform and high throughput capabilities to target a cancer drug's context-of-vulnerability, which is intended to guide clinical trials toward patient populations where the highest likelihood of success should be observed, thereby potentially lowering risk and shortening time to market.



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A phase II study of brostallicin in relapsed/refractory soft tissue sarcoma met its predefined activity and safety hurdles and resulted in a first-line phase II study that is currently being conducted by the European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer, or EORTC. Planned enrollment for this study was completed in August 2008 and the EORTC plans to conduct the final data analysis in 2009. Brostallicin has also demonstrated synergy with new targeted agents as well as established treatments in preclinical trials; consequently, we began a multi-arm combination study with brostallicin and other agents, including Avastin (bevacizumab) which was substantially completed in the fourth quarter of 2008.

### ***Zevalin***

In March 2009, we divested our interest in the radiopharmaceutical product Zevalin® (ibritumomab tiuxetan) by selling our 50% interest in the Zevalin joint venture, RIT Oncology, to Spectrum for \$16.5 million. Previously, in December 2008, we closed our transaction with Spectrum to form RIT Oncology, to commercialize and develop Zevalin in the United States. We originally acquired the U.S. rights to develop, market and sell Zevalin from Biogen Idec Inc., or Biogen, in December 2007. We received an initial payment of \$6.5 million in gross proceeds from Spectrum on March 2, 2009, \$750,000 of which was used to pay a consent fee to Biogen, and an additional \$6.5 million in gross proceeds on April 3, 2009. The remaining \$3.5 million to be received from Spectrum, which is subject to certain adjustments for, among other things, payables determined to be owed between us and RIT Oncology, is being held in escrow and was to be released to us on April 15, 2009. Pursuant to the agreement governing the escrowed amount, on April 10, 2009, we filed for arbitration to have the adjusted amount determined by an arbitrator because we and Spectrum were not able to mutually agree on the amount. In addition, as part of the transaction, we agreed to forego the right to receive up to \$15 million in product sales milestone payments in connection with the original transaction establishing the joint venture.

### ***Research and Preclinical Development***

Cisplatin is a platinum-based chemotherapy drug used to treat a wide variety of cancers. We are developing new analogues of the dinuclear-platinum complex CT-3610 that is more potent than cisplatin. CT-3610 is endowed with a unique mechanism of action, active in preclinical studies on a large panel of tumor models, sensitive and refractory to cisplatin, and has a safety profile comparable to that of cisplatin. The novel bisplatinum analogues are rationally designed and synthesized to have improved biopharmaceutical properties that reduce the intrinsic reactivity of the molecule and that demonstrate preclinical anti-tumor efficacy in solid tumor models.

We are currently focusing our efforts on pixantrone, OPAXIO, brostallicin and bisplatinates. As of March 31, 2009, we had incurred aggregate net losses of approximately \$1.3 billion since inception. We expect to continue to incur additional operating losses for at least the next year.

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**The Offering**

*The following is a brief summary of some of the terms of the offering and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.*

Common stock we are offering

Warrants

Common stock outstanding immediately after this offering

Description of the warrants

Each purchaser of one share of Common Stock in this offering will receive a warrant to purchase .30 shares of our common stock. The warrants are exercisable at an exercise price of \$1.40 per share of our common stock. The warrants are immediately exercisable and will terminate on May 11, 2014. For more information on the warrants, see the section entitled "Description of Warrants" in this prospectus supplement.

Use of proceeds

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes including, without limitation, paying interest on and/or retiring portions of our outstanding debt, research and development, preclinical and clinical trials, the preparation and filing of new drug applications and general working capital. See the section entitled "Use of Proceeds" in this prospectus supplement.

Risk factors

See "Risk Factors" for a discussion of the factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in our common stock.

Market for the Common Stock and warrants

The warrants will not be listed on any national securities exchange. Our common stock is quoted on The Nasdaq Capital Market and on the MTA stock market in Italy under the symbol "CTIC". On May 8, 2009, the last reported sale price of our common stock on The Nasdaq Capital Market was \$1.19.

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**RISK FACTORS**

*You should carefully consider the risks described below before deciding to invest in our securities. These risks should be read in conjunction with the other information set forth or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Additional risks and uncertainties that we do not presently know or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects. If any of the following risks actually occur, they could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results or prospects. In that case, the trading price of our securities could decline.*

*Please see the information provided under Item 1A Risk Factors of Part II of our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2009, filed with the SEC on May 8, 2009, which is incorporated by reference herein, as well as the information provided under Risk Factors in the accompanying prospectus.*

**Risks Related to this Offering**

***There is no public market for the warrants to purchase common stock in this offering.***

There is no established public trading market for the warrants being offered in this offering, and we do not expect a market to develop. In addition, we do not intend to apply for listing of the warrants on any securities exchange. Without an active market, the liquidity of the warrants will be limited.

***Since we have broad discretion in how we use the proceeds from this offering, we may use the proceeds in ways in which you disagree.***

We have not allocated specific amounts of the net proceeds from this offering for any specific purpose. Accordingly, our management will have significant flexibility in applying the net proceeds from this offering. You will be relying on the judgment of our management with regard to the use of these net proceeds, and you will not have the opportunity, as part of your investment decision, to assess whether the proceeds are being used appropriately. It is possible that the net proceeds from this offering will be invested in a way that does not yield a favorable, or any, return for our company. The failure of our management to use such funds effectively could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flow.

***The warrants are not immediately exercisable.***

The warrants, which have an exercise price of \$1.40 per share, are immediately exercisable and will terminate on May 11, 2014. In the event our common stock price does not exceed the exercise price of the warrants during the period when the warrants are exercisable, the warrants may not have any value.

***Purchasers of the warrants who exercise their warrants for shares of common stock will incur immediate dilution.***

If you exercise your warrants for shares of common stock, you will experience immediate and substantial dilution because the exercise price of your warrants will be higher than the net tangible book value per share of the outstanding common stock immediately after this offering. In addition, you will experience dilution when we issue additional shares of common stock that we are permitted or required to issue under options, warrants, our stock option plan or other employee or director compensation plans.

***Holders of our warrants will have no rights as a common stockholder until they acquire our common stock.***

Until you acquire shares of our common stock upon exercise of your warrants, you will have no rights with respect to our common stock, other than the right to receive any dividends or other distributions on our common stock. Upon exercise of your warrants, you will be entitled to exercise the rights of a common stockholder only as to matters for which the record date occurs after the exercise date.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering, after deducting placement agency fees and our estimated offering expenses, and excluding the proceeds, if any, from the exercise of the warrants issued in this offering, will be approximately \$18.75 million.

We currently intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for working capital and for general corporate purposes, which may include, among other things, paying interest on and/or retiring portions of our outstanding debt, funding research and development, preclinical and clinical trials, the preparation and filing of new drug applications and general working capital. Set forth below are details of certain of our outstanding indebtedness that we may retire, in whole or in part, with the net proceeds from this offering (principal amounts as of April 30, 2009):

our \$55.2 million 4% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010 mature on July 1, 2010;

our \$7.0 million 6.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2010 mature on October 31, 2010;

our \$33.5 million 7.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2011 mature on April 30, 2011;

our \$23.0 million 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2011 mature on December 15, 2011; and

our \$335,000 9% Convertible Senior Notes due 2012 mature on March 4, 2012.

We cannot estimate precisely the allocation of the net proceeds from this offering among these uses. The amounts and timing of the expenditures may vary significantly, depending on numerous factors, including the progress of our clinical trials and other development efforts, as well as the amount of cash used in our operations. Accordingly, our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds of this offering. We reserve the right to change the use of proceeds as a result of certain contingencies such as competitive developments, opportunities to acquire technologies or products and other factors. Pending the uses described above, we may temporarily invest the net proceeds of this offering in short- and medium-term interest-bearing obligations, investment-grade instruments, certificates of deposit or direct or guaranteed obligations of the U.S. government.

**DIVIDEND POLICY**

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our common stock and do not currently anticipate declaring or paying cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. We currently intend to retain all of our future earnings, if any, to finance operations. Any future determination relating to our dividend policy will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on a number of factors, including future earnings, capital requirements, financial conditions, future prospects, contractual restrictions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant.

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**DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK**

*This summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, the provisions of our amended and restated articles of incorporation, our bylaws, as amended, and all applicable provisions of Washington law.*

**General**

We are authorized to issue 800,000,000 shares of common stock, no par value, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, no par value. As of the close of business on May 8, 2009 there were 461,923,266 shares of our common stock outstanding and warrants to purchase approximately 15.7 million shares of our common stock outstanding. None of the preferred stock was outstanding as of May 8, 2009.

**Common Stock**

Each holder of common stock is entitled to one vote for each share held on all matters to be voted upon by the shareholders and there are no cumulative voting rights. Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any outstanding preferred stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably the dividends, if any, that are declared from time to time by the board of directors out of funds legally available for that purpose. In the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the holders of common stock are entitled to share in our assets remaining after the payment of liabilities and the satisfaction of any liquidation preference granted to the holders of any outstanding shares of preferred stock. Holders of common stock have no preemptive or conversion rights or other subscription rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. All outstanding shares of common stock are fully paid and nonassessable. The rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of common stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of shares of any series of preferred stock that we may designate in the future.

**General Description of Preferred Stock**

The board of directors has the authority, without action by the shareholders, to designate and issue preferred stock in one or more series and to designate the rights, preferences and privileges of each series, which may be greater than the rights of the common stock. It is not possible to state the actual effect of the issuance of any shares of preferred stock upon the rights of holders of the common stock until the board of directors determines the specific rights of the holders of this preferred stock. However, the effects might include, among other things:

restricting dividends on the common stock;

diluting the voting power of the common stock;

impairing the liquidation rights of the common stock; and

delaying or preventing a change in control of the Company without further action by the shareholders.

**Anti-Takeover Effects of Provisions of Washington Law and our Charter and Bylaws**

Washington law contains certain provisions that may have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a change in control of the Company. Chapter 23B.19 of the Washington Business Corporation Act prohibits us, with certain exceptions, from engaging in certain significant business transactions with an acquiring person (defined as a person or group of persons who acquire 10% or more of our voting securities without the prior approval of the our board of directors) for a period of five years following the acquiring person's share acquisition date. The prohibited transactions include, among others, a merger or consolidation with, disposition of assets to, or issuance or redemption of stock to or from, the acquiring person, or otherwise allowing the acquiring person to receive a disproportionate benefit as a shareholder. Exceptions to this statutory prohibition include approval of the transaction at a shareholders meeting by holders of not less than a two-thirds of the shares held by each voting group entitled to vote on the transaction, not counting shares as to which the acquiring person has beneficial ownership or voting control, transactions approved by the Board of Directors prior to the acquiring person first becoming an acquiring person, or, with respect to a merger, share exchange, consolidation, liquidation or distribution entered into with the acquiring person, transactions where certain other requirements regarding the fairness of the consideration to be received by the shareholders have been met. We may not exempt ourselves from coverage of this

statute. These statutory provisions may have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a change in control of the Company.

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Our board of directors is divided into three approximately equal classes of directors serving staggered three-year terms. In addition, our amended and restated articles of incorporation provide that directors may be removed from office only at a meeting of the shareholders called expressly for that purpose and only for cause. Our amended and restated articles of incorporation limit cause to willful misfeasance having a material adverse effect on us or conviction of a felony, provided that any action by a director shall not constitute cause if, in good faith, the director believed the action to be in or not opposed to our best interests or if the director is entitled to be indemnified with respect to such action under applicable law, our amended and restated articles of incorporation or amended and restated bylaws, or a contract with us. Further, our amended and restated bylaws require a shareholder to provide notice to us of such shareholder's intention to nominate a person or persons for election as directors not later than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting or, in the case of an election to be held at a special meeting of the shareholders for the election of directors, the close of business on the tenth day following the date on which notice of such meeting is first given to shareholders. A shareholder must also provide us with notice of such shareholder's intent to make any proposal at an annual meeting of shareholders not later than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting of shareholders. These may have the effect of deterring hostile takeovers or delaying change in control of our management.

**Transfer Agent and Registrar**

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is Computershare Investor Services, LLC.

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**DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

*The material terms and provisions of the warrants being offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are summarized below. This summary is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, the terms set forth in the Common Stock Purchase Warrant to be filed as an exhibit to our current report on Form 8-K, which we expect to file with the SEC on or about May 12, 2009.*

The warrants are immediately exercisable and will terminate on May 11, 2014. The warrants will be exercisable, at the option of the holder, upon the surrender of the warrants to us and the payment in cash of the exercise price of the shares of common stock being acquired upon exercise of the warrants. However, if at the time of exercise there is no effective registration statement registering the issuance of the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants to the holder and all such shares are not then registered for resale by the holder, the holder may exercise the warrants by means of a cashless exercise or net exercise.

The exercise price per share of common stock purchasable upon exercise of the warrants is \$1.40 per share of common stock being purchased. The exercise price is subject to appropriate adjustment in the event of stock dividends, stock splits, reorganizations or similar events affecting our common stock. The holders of the warrants are entitled to 20 days notice before the record date for certain distributions to holders of our common stock. If certain fundamental transactions occur, such as a merger, consolidation, sale of substantially all of our assets, tender offer or exchange offer with respect to our common stock or reclassification of our common stock, the holders of the warrants will be entitled to receive thereafter in lieu of our common stock, the consideration (if different from common stock) that the holders of the warrants would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of the fundamental transaction as if the warrant had been exercised immediately before the fundamental transaction. In addition, if any holder of common stock is given a choice of consideration to be received in the fundamental transaction, then the holders of the warrants shall be given the same choice upon the exercise of the warrants following the fundamental transaction.

As of the date of this prospectus supplement, other warrants to purchase approximately 15.7 million shares of our common stock were outstanding.



**Table of Contents****PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

We have entered into a placement agency agreement with Rodman & Renshaw, LLC, or the placement agent, in connection with this offering. Under the placement agency agreement, the placement agent has agreed, on a reasonable best efforts basis, to introduce us to investors who will purchase the common stock and warrants. The placement agent has no obligation to buy any of the common stock or warrants from us or to arrange the purchase or sale of any specific number or dollar amount of common stock or warrants. We will enter into subscription agreements directly with investors in connection with this offering.

We have agreed to pay the placement agent an aggregate fee equal to 5% of the gross proceeds of this offering. The following table shows the per common stock and warrant total fees we will pay to the placement agent assuming all of the Common Stock and warrants offered by this prospectus supplement are issued and sold by us.

<b>Placement Fees</b>	<b>Per share of common stock and warrant</b>		<b>Total</b>
Common Stock and warrants offered hereby	\$	0.0625	\$ 1,000,000

Because there is no minimum offering amount required as a condition to closing, the actual total may be less than the total set forth above.

We have also agreed to pay to reimburse the placement agent for expenses incurred in connection with the offering, up to the lesser of \$25,000 or 2.6% of the aggregate gross proceeds. The estimated offering expenses payable by us, excluding the placement agency fee, are \$250,000, which include legal, accounting and printing costs, and various other fees associated with registering and listing the shares of common stock. We have agreed to indemnify the placement agent against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. We may also be required to contribute to payments the placement agent may be required to make in respect of such liabilities.

The agreement with the placement agent and the subscription agreement with investors will be included as exhibits to our current report on Form 8-K that will be filed with the SEC in connection with the completion of this offering.

Rodman & Renshaw, LLC may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act, and any commissions received by them and any profit realized on the resale of the securities sold by them while acting as principal might be deemed to be underwriting discounts or commissions under the Securities Act. As underwriters, the placement agent would be required to comply with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, including, without limitation, Rule 415(a)(4) under the Securities Act and Rule 10b-5 and Regulation M under the Exchange Act. These rules and regulations may limit the timing of purchases and sales of shares of common stock and warrants by the placement agent. Under these rules and regulations, the placement agent:

may not engage in any stabilization activity in connection with our securities; and

may not bid for or purchase any of our securities or attempt to induce any person to purchase any of our securities, other than as permitted under the Exchange Act, until it has completed its participation in the distribution.

The placement agent has informed us that it does not intend to engage in overallotment, stabilizing transactions or syndicate covering transactions in connection with this offering.

A prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in electronic format may be made available on the web sites maintained by the placement agent and the placement agent may distribute the prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus electronically.

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**LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the issuance of the Cell Therapeutics, Inc. securities offered by this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus will be passed upon for Cell Therapeutics, Inc. by Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, San Diego, California. Feldman Weinstein & Smith in New York, New York is acting as counsel for the placement agent.

**INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE**

We are subject to the information requirements of the Exchange Act. In accordance with the Exchange Act, we file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Such reports, proxy statements and other information filed by us are available free of charge on our web site, <http://www.celltherapeutics.com>, and may be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the public reference facilities by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC.

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market and such reports, proxy statements and other information concerning us may be inspected at the offices of The Nasdaq Stock Market, 1735 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

SEC rules allow us to incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement the information we file with the SEC. This means that we can disclose important information by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, filed with the SEC on March 16, 2009;

our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, filed with the SEC on May 8, 2009;

our definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the SEC on January 14, 2009 for a Special Meeting of Shareholders, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to the definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated as of February 4, 2009 and filed with the SEC on February 5, 2009 and Definitive Additional Materials filed with the SEC on January 26, 2009, February 27, 2009 and March 9, 2009;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on January 6, 2009, January 8, 2009, January 29, 2009, February 9, 2009, February 23, 2009, March 6, 2009, March 16, 2009, March 27, 2009, April 13, 2009, April 14, 2009 and April 17, 2009; and

the description of our capital stock contained in our Registration Statements on Form 10 filed with the SEC on June 27, 1996, including any amendment or reports filed for the purpose of updating that description.

In addition, we also incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement additional information that we may subsequently file with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act prior to the termination of the offering.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless specifically stated to the contrary, none of the information that we disclose under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K that we may from time to time furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission will be incorporated by reference into, or otherwise included in, this prospectus.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner of our indicated securities, to whom this prospectus supplement is delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any and all of the documents that have been incorporated by reference in the prospectus but not delivered with this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus (without exhibits, unless the exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference but not delivered with this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus). Requests should be directed to:

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**PROSPECTUS**

**\$150,000,000**

Making cancer more treatable

**Common Stock**

**Preferred Stock**

**Debt Securities**

**Warrants**

From time to time, we may sell any of the securities listed above.

We will provide specific terms of these securities in one of more supplements to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus, the information incorporated by reference and any prospectus supplement carefully before you invest.

Our common stock is quoted on The NASDAQ Capital Market and on the MTA stock market in Italy under the symbol CTIC . On April 3, 2009, the last reported sale price of our common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market was \$0.39.

The applicable prospectus supplement will contain information, where applicable, as to any other listing on the NASDAQ Capital Market or any securities exchange or market of the securities covered by the prospectus supplement.

**Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See Risk Factors beginning on page 12 of this prospectus.**

**This prospectus may not be used to offer or sell any securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.**

We may sell the securities to or through underwriters or dealers, directly to purchasers or through agents designated from time to time. For additional information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section entitled Plan of Distribution in this prospectus. If any underwriters are involved in the sale of any securities with respect to which this prospectus is being delivered, the names of such underwriters and any applicable discounts or commissions and over-allotment options will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. The price to the public of such securities and the net proceeds we expect to receive from such sale will also be set forth in a prospectus supplement.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

**The date of this prospectus is April 6, 2009**

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No dealer, salesperson or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement. You must not rely on any unauthorized information or representations. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the securities offered hereby, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement is current only as of its date, and the information contained in any document incorporated by reference in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or any sale of a security.

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**ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, using a shelf registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may sell common stock, preferred stock, debt securities or warrants in one or more offerings up to a total dollar amount of \$150,000,000. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell any securities under this prospectus, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain more specific information about the terms of those securities. We may also add, update or change in the prospectus supplement any of the information contained in this prospectus. This prospectus, together with the applicable prospectus supplements and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, includes all material information relating to this offering. Please carefully read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with the additional information described below under [Where You Can Find More Information](#) before buying securities in this offering.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or a prospectus supplement. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement, as well as information we have previously filed with the SEC and incorporated by reference, is accurate as of the date on the front of those documents only. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospectus may have changed since those dates. **This prospectus may not be used to consummate a sale of our securities unless it is accompanied by a prospectus supplement.**

This prospectus contains and incorporates by reference market data, industry statistics and other data that have been obtained from, or compiled from, information made available by third parties. We have not independently verified their data.

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**SUMMARY**

*The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus. The following summary does not contain all the information that you should consider before investing in the securities offered by this prospectus. You should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the documents that we incorporate by reference into this prospectus. Unless otherwise indicated, CTI, Company, we, us, our and similar terms refer to Cell Therapeutics, Inc. and its subsidiaries.*

**Our Company**

We develop, acquire and commercialize innovative treatments for cancer. Our goal is to build a leading biopharmaceutical company with a diversified portfolio of proprietary oncology drugs. Our research, development, acquisition and in-licensing activities concentrate on identifying and developing new, less toxic and more effective ways to treat cancer.

We are developing pixantrone (BBR 2778), a novel DNA major groove binder with an aza-anthracenedione molecular structure, differentiating it from anthracycline chemotherapy agents. A new chemical compound for the treatment of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, or NHL, and various other hematologic malignancies, solid tumors, and immunological disorders, pixantrone is being developed to improve activity and safety in treating cancers currently treated with the anthracycline family of anti-cancer agents. Based on the outcome of our phase III EXTEND, or PIX 301, clinical trial, as described below, and on the basis of pre-NDA communication we received from the Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, relating to that phase III trial, we expect to begin a rolling New Drug Application, or NDA, submission to the FDA in the first half of 2009. If the NDA is granted priority review status, the FDA could provide a decision on the NDA as early as six months after the final submission of the NDA.

Pixantrone was studied in our EXTEND, or PIX301, clinical trial which is a phase III single-agent trial of pixantrone for patients with relapsed, aggressive non-Hodgkin's lymphoma who received two or more prior therapies and who were sensitive to treatment with anthracyclines. An interim analysis of the EXTEND study of pixantrone was performed by the independent Data Monitoring Committee in the third quarter of 2006 and the study was continued based on that review. The trial enrolled 140 patients who were randomized to receive either pixantrone or another single-agent drug currently used for the treatment of this patient population, as selected by the physician. In November 2008, we announced that this trial achieved the primary efficacy endpoint. Patients randomized to treatment with pixantrone achieved a significantly higher rate of confirmed and unconfirmed complete remissions compared to patients treated with standard chemotherapy, had a significantly increased overall response rate, experienced a statistically significant improvement in median progression free survival and had a low incidence of certain side effects, including severe neutropenia complicated by either fever or documented infections, severe vomiting or diarrhea and hair loss, a very common side effect of other drugs in this class. Overall, the incidence of serious adverse events was similar between pixantrone and the control arm. The pixantrone patients had a higher incidence of leucopenia and neutropenia and numerically more severe cardiac events than in the control arm. Disease progression reported as an adverse event was less frequent in the pixantrone arm than in the control arm.

In February 2009, we entered into an agreement with IDIS Limited, or IDIS, to manage pixantrone as an investigational drug on a named patient basis in Europe. Pixantrone will be supplied by IDIS to healthcare professionals for the treatment of individual patients with relapsing aggressive non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. The program is expected to be initiated by the second quarter of 2009.

We also conducted the RAPID, or PIX203, phase II study (CHOP-R vs. CPOP-R) in which pixantrone is substituted for doxorubicin in the CHOP-R regimen compared to the standard CHOP-R regimen in patients with aggressive NHL. An interim analysis of the RAPID study, reported in July 2007, showed that to date, a majority of patients on both arms of the study achieved a major objective anti-tumor response (complete response or partial response). Patients on the pixantrone arm of the study had clinically significant less left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) drops, infections, and thrombocytopenia (a reduction in platelets in the blood), as well as significant reduction in febrile neutropenia. In early 2008, we closed enrollment on the RAPID trial because we had adequate sample size to demonstrate differences in cardiac events and other clinically relevant side effects between pixantrone and doxorubicin. We expect to report results from this trial in the fourth quarter of 2009.

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We launched a phase III trial of pixantrone in indolent NHL, the PIX303 trial, in September 2007, which was designed to evaluate the combination of fludarabine, pixantrone and rituximab versus fludarabine and rituximab in patients who have received at least one prior treatment for relapsed or refractory indolent NHL. We closed the PIX303 trial in early 2008 based on, among other considerations, our plans to refocus our resources on obtaining pixantrone approval based on the EXTEND phase III trial before making additional substantive investments in alternative indications for pixantrone as well as the changing competitive landscape in second-line follicular NHL. In May 2007, we received fast track designation from the FDA for pixantrone for the treatment of relapsed or refractory indolent NHL.

We are developing OPAXIO (paclitaxel poliglumex), which we have previously referred to as XYOTAX, for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC, and ovarian cancer. While our STELLAR 2, 3 and 4 phase III clinical studies for OPAXIO, completed in the first half of 2005, did not meet their primary endpoints of superior overall survival, we believe that the reduction in toxicities coupled with superior convenience and less supportive care demonstrated in the STELLAR 4 phase III clinical trial merits consideration for approval as single-agent therapy for patients with advanced NSCLC who have poor performance status, or PS2. Currently there are no drugs approved for PS2 NSCLC patients. In March 2008, we submitted a Marketing Authorization Application, or MAA, to the European Medicines Agency, or EMEA, for first-line treatment of patients with advanced NSCLC who are PS2, based on a non-inferior survival and improved side effect profile which we believe was demonstrated in our STELLAR clinical trials. The application is based on a positive opinion we received from the EMEA's Scientific Advice Working Party, or SAWP; the EMEA agreed that switching the primary endpoint from superiority to non-inferiority is feasible if the retrospective justification provided in the marketing application is adequate. The discussions with the SAWP focused on using the STELLAR 4 study as primary evidence of non-inferiority and the STELLAR 3 study as supportive of the MAA. The application was accepted for review in April 2008 and the MAA has now entered the marketing approval review process, which generally takes 15 to 18 months. We expect to receive an opinion from the EMEA by June 2009.

We are also developing OPAXIO for women with pre-menopausal levels of estrogen, regardless of age, who have advanced NSCLC with normal or poor performance status. We believe the lack of safe and effective treatment for women with advanced first-line NSCLC, who have pre-menopausal estrogen levels, represents an unmet medical need. Based on a pooled analysis of STELLAR 3 and 4 phase III trials for treatment of first-line NSCLC PS2 patients, we believe that there is a demonstrated statistically significant survival advantage among women receiving OPAXIO when compared to women or men receiving standard chemotherapy. A survival advantage for women over men was also demonstrated in a first-line phase II clinical trial of OPAXIO and carboplatin, known as the PGT202 trial, supporting the potential benefit observed in the STELLAR 3 and 4 trials. In December 2005, we initiated a phase III clinical trial, known as the PIONEER, or PGT305, study for OPAXIO as first-line monotherapy in PS2 women with NSCLC, however, we agreed with the recommendation of the Data Safety Monitoring Board and closed the study in December 2006 due, in part, to the diminishing utility of the PIONEER trial given our plans to submit a new protocol to the FDA.

In early 2007, we submitted two new protocols under a Special Protocol Assessment, or SPA, to the FDA. The new protocols, known as PGT306 and PGT307, focus exclusively on NSCLC in women with pre-menopausal estrogen levels, the subset of patients where OPAXIO demonstrated the greatest potential survival advantage in the STELLAR trials. We initiated the PGT307 trial in September 2007. Although the FDA has established the requirement that two adequate and well-controlled pivotal studies demonstrating a statistically significant improvement in overall survival will be required for approval of OPAXIO in the NSCLC setting, we believe that compelling results from a single trial, PGT307, along with supporting evidence from prior clinical trials, may enable us to submit an NDA in the United States. In early 2008, we limited enrollment on the PGT307 study to U.S. sites only, until either approval of the MAA by the EMEA or until positive results from the GOG0212 trial of OPAXIO for first-line maintenance therapy in ovarian cancer, discussed below, are reported.

We are also developing OPAXIO as potential maintenance therapy for women with advanced stage ovarian cancer who achieve a complete remission following first-line therapy with paclitaxel and carboplatin. This study, the GOG0212 trial, is under the control of the Gynecologic Oncology Group, or GOG, and is expected to enroll 1,100 patients by early 2012. Based on the number of events in the database, we are requesting an interim analysis be conducted by the GOG in late 2009. If the GOG agrees to this timing and the interim analysis is successful, it could lead to an NDA filing in 2010.



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On March 15, 2009, we completed the divestiture of our interest in Zevalin® (ibritumomab tiuxetan), a form of cancer therapy called radioimmunotherapy which is indicated for treatment of relapsed or refractory, low-grade or follicular B-cell NHL, including patients with rituximab refractory follicular NHL. Zevalin was approved by the FDA in February 2002 as the first radioimmunotherapeutic agent for the treatment of NHL. We acquired the U.S. development, sales and marketing rights to Zevalin from Biogen Idec Inc., or Biogen, pursuant to an asset purchase agreement in December 2007. In December 2008, we formed a 50/50 owned joint venture named RIT Oncology, LLC, or RIT Oncology, with Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc., or Spectrum to commercialize and develop Zevalin in the United States. We contributed all assets owned by us and exclusively related to Zevalin to that joint venture and received an initial payment of \$7.5 million at the closing of the initial formation of the joint venture and an additional \$7.5 million in early January 2009. Additionally, we were granted a right to receive up to an additional \$15 million in product sales milestone payments upon achievement of certain revenue targets.

Under the terms of the amended and restated operating agreement for the joint venture, we held an option to sell to Spectrum our 50% interest in RIT Oncology (the Interest). Our board of directors made a strategic decision to focus our resources on developing pixantrone and our other products, and because the option provided the most viable source for non-dilutive financing, in February 2009, we exercised the option to sell our Interest to Spectrum and in March, 2009 closed the transaction to fully divest our ownership in Zevalin for approximately \$16.5 million. In consideration for the Interest, on March 2, 2009, we received gross proceeds of \$6.5 million (less the amount of a consent fee paid to Biogen), and following the closing, on March 16, 2009, Spectrum funded into escrow \$10 million, of which \$6.5 million was released to us on April 3, 2009 and \$3.5 million, subject to certain adjustments for among other things payables determined to be owed between us and RIT Oncology, will be released to us on April 15, 2009. As part of the transaction, we also agreed to forego the right to receive the \$15 million in product sales milestone payments provided to us in connection with the original transaction establishing the joint venture. Additionally, as part of the closing, we extended the terms of the existing master services agreement with RIT Oncology and have agreed to perform transition services for the benefit of the Zevalin business until May 31, 2009.

We are developing brostallicin through our wholly-owned subsidiary Systems Medicine LLC or SM, which holds worldwide rights to use, develop, import and export brostallicin, a synthetic DNA minor groove binding agent that has demonstrated anti-tumor activity and a favorable safety profile in clinical trials in which more than 230 patients have been treated to date. SM currently uses a genomic-based platform to guide development of brostallicin. We expect to use that platform to guide development of our licensed oncology products in the future. We also have a strategic affiliation with the Translational Genomics Research Institute, or TGen, and have the ability to use TGen's extensive genomic platform and high throughput capabilities to target a cancer drug's context-of-vulnerability, which is intended to guide clinical trials toward patient populations where the highest likelihood of success should be observed, thereby potentially lowering risk and shortening time to market.

A phase II study of brostallicin in relapsed/refractory soft tissue sarcoma met its predefined activity and safety hurdles and resulted in a first-line phase II study that is currently being conducted by the European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer, or EORTC. Planned enrollment for this study was completed in August 2008 and the EORTC plans to conduct the final data analysis in 2009. Brostallicin has also demonstrated synergy with new targeted agents as well as established treatments in preclinical trials; consequently, we began a multi-arm combination study with brostallicin and other agents, including Avastin (bevacizumab) which was substantially completed in the fourth quarter of 2008.

We acquired our rights to brostallicin through our acquisition of Systems Medicine Inc., a privately held oncology company, completed in July 2007 through a stock-for-stock merger valued at \$20 million. Systems Medicine Inc. stockholders can also receive a maximum of \$15 million in additional consideration (payable in cash or stock at our election, subject to certain NASDAQ limitations on issuance of stock) upon the achievement of certain FDA regulatory milestones.

We are currently focusing our efforts on pixantrone, OPAXIO, brostallicin and bisplatinates.

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We were incorporated in Washington in 1991. Our principal executive offices are located at 501 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 400, Seattle, Washington 98119. Our telephone number is (206) 282-7100. The address for our website is <http://www.celltherapeutics.com>. We make available free of charge on our website our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and other filings pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and amendments to such filings, as soon as reasonably practicable after each is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC.

CTI and OPAXIO are our proprietary marks. All other product names, trademarks and trade names referred to in this prospectus are the property of their respective owners.

**Recent Developments****Debt and Equity Restructurings**

We have a substantial amount of debt outstanding, and our annual interest expense with respect to our debt is significant. Beginning in December 2007 and continuing through 2008, we completed restructurings of various series of our convertible notes which retired a portion of such debt, extended the maturity date on certain such debt and involved the issuance of additional convertible notes and shares of common stock. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the following is a reconciliation of distributions to participants per the financial statements to the Form 5500:

Total benefits paid to participants per the financial statements	\$ 10,554,513
Less previously deemed distributions of participant loans	(23,907)
Add deemed distributions of participant loans	43,120
 Total distributions to participants per the Form 5500	 \$ 10,573,726

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**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

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**GENERAL CABLE SAVINGS PLAN**

**Employer ID No: 13-3064555**

**Plan No: 009**

**FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, PART IV, LINE 4i SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013**

Identity of Issuer/Description of Investment	Current Value
* Active loans to participants notes receivable, with interest rates ranging from 3.25% to 11.50%, maturing through September 2022	\$ 9,133,561
	\$ 9,133,561

\* Party-in-interest

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefits plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GENERAL CABLE SAVINGS PLAN

Date: June 26, 2014

By: /s/ Robert J. Siverd  
Name: Robert J. Siverd  
Title: Chairman, Retirement Plans,  
Administrative Committee

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for General Cable Corporation Savings Plan