#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 14, 2011

#### **NEOSTEM, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-33650 (Commission File Number) <u>22-2343568</u> (IRS Employer Identification No.)

420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 450, New York, New York 10170 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

(212) 584-4180

Registrant's Telephone Number

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

#### The Amorcyte Merger — General.

On October 17, 2011 (the "Closing Date"), Amo Acquisition Company I, Inc. ("Subco"), a newly-formed wholly-owned subsidiary of NeoStem, Inc. ("NeoStem" or the "Company"), merged (the "Amorcyte Merger") with and into Amorcyte, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Amorcyte"), in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 13, 2011 (the "Amorcyte Merger Agreement"), among NeoStem, Amorcyte, Subco, and Amo Acquisition Company II, LLC ("Subco II"). As a result of the consummation of the Amorcyte Merger, Amorcyte is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of NeoStem.

Amorcyte is a development stage cell therapy company focusing on novel treatments for cardiovascular disease. Amorcyte's lead product candidate, AMR-001, is entering a Phase 2 study for the treatment of acute myocardial infarction (AMI), which study is expected to commence by no later than the end of first quarter 2012.

#### **Aggregate Consideration**

Pursuant to the terms of the Amorcyte Merger Agreement, all of the shares of Amorcyte common stock and Amorcyte Series A Preferred Stock and all options and warrants to acquire equity of Amorcyte, issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the Amorcyte Merger (the "Effective Time"), were by virtue of the Amorcyte Merger cancelled and converted into the right to receive, in the aggregate:

- (i) 5,843,483 shares of the common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of NeoStem ("NeoStem Common Stock") (reflecting certain adjustments taken at the closing, and subject to further adjustment following the closing in accordance with the Amorcyte Merger Agreement) (the "Base Stock Consideration");
- (ii) the right to receive 4,092,768 shares of NeoStem Common Stock (the "Contingent Shares", and together with the Base Stock Consideration, the "Stock Consideration"), which Contingent Shares will be issued only if certain specified business milestones (described below) are accomplished;
- (iii) warrants to purchase 1,881,008 shares of NeoStem Common Stock exercisable over a seven (7) year period at an exercise price of \$1.466 per share (the "Warrants") (the terms of such Warrants to provide that the transfer of any shares of NeoStem Common Stock issued upon exercise of the Warrants will be restricted until one year after the Closing Date); and
- (iv) the earn out payments described below (the "Earn Out Payments").

Escrow of Base Stock Consideration. In accordance with the Amorcyte Merger Agreement, NeoStem has deposited into an escrow account with the escrow agent (who is initially NeoStem's transfer agent), 5,843,483 shares of NeoStem Common Stock for eventual distribution to the former Amorcyte stockholders (subject to further adjustment following the closing, including in connection with any indemnification claims of NeoStem, all in accordance with the Amorcyte Merger Agreement). The Escrow Agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Series AMO Warrants. The Warrants will be delivered in book entry form to the former stockholders of Amorcyte as promptly as possible after the Effective Time and NeoStem's receipt of appropriate letters of transmittal from the former Amorcyte stockholders. The Warrants are redeemable in the event NeoStem Common Stock is trading at a per share price equal to or exceeding the redemption threshold of \$3.466 per share for twenty (20) out of thirty (30) consecutive trading days. Transfer of the shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants is restricted until the one year anniversary of the Closing Date.

Contingent Share Milestones. The Contingent Shares will be issued to the former Amorcyte stockholders only if certain business milestones are achieved, as follows:

- § One-third of the Contingent Shares (1,364,256 shares) will be issued upon (a) the completion of Phase 2 clinical trial for Amorcyte's product candidate AMR-001 and (b) issuance of a statistically significant analysis demonstrating satisfaction of the primary clinical end points from the Phase 2 clinical trial, which primary clinical endpoints are described in the Phase 2 clinical trial protocol submitted by Amorcyte to the FDA on July 5, 2011, and which may only be changed by a writing consented to by NeoStem and the Amorcyte Representative (as defined below).
- § One-third of the Contingent Shares will be issued following a Type B End of Phase 2/Pre-Phase 3 meeting with the FDA wherein AMR-001 is acknowledged in writing by the FDA to be ready for Phase 3.
- § The remaining one-third of the Contingent Shares will be issued upon the first dosing of the first patient in the pivotal Phase 3 clinical study for AMR-001.

Procedures for Earn Out Payments. Within 90 days following the end of each calendar quarter, NeoStem will pay Earn Out Payments (to the Amorcyte Representative in trust for the benefit of the former Amorcyte stockholders) equal to 10% of the net sales of AMR-001, which payment obligation will begin following the date of first commercial sale of AMR-001 and continue until the latest date that a valid patent claim exists on a country by country basis covering AMR-001, provided that if NeoStem licenses or otherwise grants an unaffiliated third party the right to commercialize or otherwise exploit AMR-001 or any portion of AMR-001 (including, without limitation, a sublicense for all or part of any territory for AMR-001) then the applicable Earn Out Payment will be equal to 30% of any sublicensing fees, royalties and milestone fees or profit sharing payment (but not payments for development costs) actually received by NeoStem. NeoStem will be entitled to recover direct out-of-pocket clinical development costs not previously paid or reimbursed and any costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, and settlement amounts arising out of or related to claims with respect to patent infringement or otherwise challenging Amorcyte's ownership of or right to use intellectual property, by reducing any Earn Out Payments due by 50% until such costs have been recouped in full. The Amorcyte Representative (Paul Schmitt or his duly appointed successor) (the "Amorcyte Representative") shall be solely responsible for the distribution of the Earn Out Payments to the former Amorcyte stockholders, as well as any tax withholding or reporting related thereto).

Amorcyte Option Modifications. Pursuant to the Amorcyte Merger Agreement, prior to closing all Amorcyte options were modified in writings executed by each optionholder, so that effective upon the Effective Time, all Amorcyte options were by virtue of the Amorcyte Merger converted into the right to receive the share of any Earn Out Payments that the holders of such options would have received if they had exercised their Amorcyte options prior to the Effective Time (after taking into account the payment of any exercise price due had they actually exercised). The former holders of Amorcyte options will be entitled to the merger consideration similar to the holders of Amorcyte common stock, minus the exercise price of the options.

The merger consideration described above will be distributed to Amorcyte's former securityholders consistent with applicable liquidation preferences contained in Amorcyte's governing documents, all in accordance with the Amorcyte Merger Agreement.

The issuance of NeoStem securities in pursuant to the Amorcyte Merger Agreement was approved at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of NeoStem held on October 14, 2011 (the "NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting") (see Item 5.07 below), on which date the Amorcyte Merger also was approved at a special meeting of stockholders of Amorcyte (the "Amorcyte Special Meeting").

The description of the Amorcyte Merger contained in this Item 2.01 does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amorcyte Merger Agreement, which is attached to NeoStem's Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus dated and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 16, 2011 (the "Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus"), and is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 2.1 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The above descriptions of the Escrow Agreement and the Warrants do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Escrow Agreement and to the Warrant Agreement between NeoStem and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, and the form of Global Amorcyte Warrant attached thereto, which are filed as Exhibits 10.1 and 4.1, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Relationships Between NeoStem and Amorcyte.

Amorcyte was initially formed as a wholly owned subsidiary of Progenitor Cell Therapy, LLC ("PCT") and was spun off to PCT's members during 2005. PCT (now a wholly-owned subsidiary of NeoStem) was acquired by NeoStem on January 19, 2011. Prior to the Amorcyte Merger, certain relationships existed between NeoStem, Amorcyte and their affiliates, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus under the caption "Other Relationships Between the Parties", which discussion is incorporated by reference herein.

#### Interests of Certain Persons in the Amorcyte Merger.

See the discussion in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus appearing under the caption "Interests of Certain Persons in the Amorcyte Merger," which discussion is incorporated by reference herein.

# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

#### (e) Compensatory Arrangements.

#### Amendment to the 2009 Plan.

At the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting held on October 14, 2011, the stockholders of NeoStem duly approved an amendment to the NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Equity Compensation Plan (the "2009 Plan") to increase the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock authorized for issuance thereunder by 6,000,000 shares (that is, from 17,750,000 shares to 23,750,000 shares), and NeoStem thereupon effected such amendment to the 2009 Plan. Persons eligible to receive restricted and unrestricted stock awards, options, stock appreciation rights or other awards under the 2009 Plan are those employees, consultants and directors of NeoStem and its subsidiaries who, in the opinion of the Compensation Committee of NeoStem's Board of Directors, are in a position to contribute to NeoStem's success. A description of the 2009 Plan and the amendment thereto is set forth in NeoStem Proposal 4 contained in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus, and the full text of the 2009 Plan, as amended, is filed as Exhibit 10.2 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Amendment to the 2009 Non-U.S. Plan.

Concurrently with the above-described amendment to the 2009 Plan, the Company amended the NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Non-U.S. Based Equity Compensation Plan (the "2009 Non-U.S. Plan") to decrease the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock authorized for issuance thereunder by 3,000,000 shares (that is, from 8,700,000 shares to 5,700,000 shares). The reduction in shares available for issuance under the 2009 Non-U.S. Plan was effected in light of the Company's plan to focus its business on cell therapy manufacturing and development and other related activities in the United States, and the Company's consideration of the possible divestiture of its 51% interest in Erye. Persons eligible to receive warrants, stock appreciation rights or other awards under the 2009 Non-U.S. Plan are those service providers of NeoStem and its subsidiaries and affiliates providing services outside of the United States, including employees and consultants of NeoStem and its subsidiaries and affiliates, who, in the opinion of the Compensation Committee, are in a position to contribute to NeoStem's success. A description of the 2009 Non-U.S. Plan is set forth in Proposal 3 to NeoStem's Definitive Proxy Statement filed with the SEC on April 30, 2010, and the full text of the 2009 Non-U.S. Plan, as amended, is filed as Exhibit 10.3 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

At the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting held on October 14, 2011, the Company's stockholders approved an amendment to NeoStem's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Charter Amendment") that declassified the NeoStem Board of Directors (such that the terms of all directors expired at the 2011 Annual Meeting) and instituted annual voting for each director beginning with the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting. Additionally, the Charter Amendment provides that any director, other than those who may be elected by the holders of any classes or series of stock having a preference over the NeoStem Common Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, may be removed from office at any time, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the voting power of then outstanding capital stock entitled to vote on the matter, voting together as a single class.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Charter Amendment, which is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The following is a brief description of each matter voted upon at the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting held on October 14, 2011 (for a full description of each such matter see the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus), as well as the final voting results with respect to each such matter:

The stockholders approved the issuance of NeoStem securities in connection with the Amorcyte Merger pursuant to the Merger Agreement among NeoStem, Amorcyte, Subco and Subco II. The final voting results with respect to this matter were as follows: 61,718,268 votes for; 570,900 votes against; 74,292 votes abstaining; and 21,676,744 broker non-votes.

The stockholders adopted the Charter Amendment that declassified the NeoStem Board of Directors so that the terms of all directors expired at the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting. The final voting results with respect to this matter were as follows: 82,051,156 votes for; 1,587,628 votes against; 401,420 votes abstaining; and 0 broker non-votes.

Because the proposal to declassify the Board of Directors was adopted and implemented at the NeoStem 2011 Annual Meeting, all of the NeoStem directors were proposed for re-election. The stockholders elected seven nominees to the Board of Directors, each to serve a one-year term extending until the 2012 annual meeting of NeoStem stockholders and until his or her respective successor is duly elected and qualified. The final voting results with respect to the election of directors were as follows:

Director Name	Votes For	Votes Withheld	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>	
Robin L. Smith, M.D.	61,991,381	372,079	21,676,744	
Richard Berman	60,207,055	2,156,405	21,676,744	
Steven S. Myers	60,606,755	1,756,705	21,676,744	
Edward C. Geehr, M.D.	62,029,513	333,947	21,676,744	
Drew Bernstein	61,070,245	1,293,215	21,676,744	
Eric H.C. Wei	62,026,640	336,820	21,676,744	
Shi Mingsheng	60,234,216	2,129,244	21,676,744	

The stockholders approved an amendment to the NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Equity Compensation Plan (the "2009 Plan") to increase the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock authorized for issuance thereunder by 6,000,000 shares (that is, from 17,750,000 shares to 23,750,000 shares). The final voting results with respect to this matter were as follows: 58,381,196 votes for; 3,552,030 votes against; 430,234 votes abstaining; and 21,676,744 broker non-votes.

The stockholders ratified the appointment of Grant Thornton LLP as NeoStem's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. The final voting results with respect to this matter were as follows: 83,044,020 votes for; 661,901 votes against; 334,283 votes abstaining; and 0 broker non-votes.

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 17, 2011, NeoStem issued a press release announcing the effectiveness of the Amorcyte Merger. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are typically preceded by words such as "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "will," "may," "should," or similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual future experience and results to differ materially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements. Important factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, events and factors disclosed previously and from time to time in NeoStem's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including NeoStem's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 (the "10-K") and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K filed after such 10-K. Additionally, this Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements with respect to the Amorcyte Merger. Important factors that might cause such a difference relating to the Amorcyte Merger include the factors disclosed in NeoStem's filings as set forth above and in the proxy statement / prospectus included in NeoStem's registration statement on Form S-4 filed with the SEC in connection with the Amorcyte Merger. NeoStem's further development is highly dependent on future medical and research developments and market acceptance, which is outside its control. NeoStem may experience difficulties in integrating Amorcyte's business and could fail to realize potential benefits of the Amorcyte Merger. Acquisitions may entail numerous risks for NeoStem, including difficulties in assimilating acquired operations, technologies or products.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial statements of business acquired
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information

The (i) Financial Statements of Amorcyte, Inc. for the Year Ended December 31, 2010 (Audited) and for the Period From June 29, 2004 (Date of Inception) Through June 30, 2011 (Unaudited) and for the Six Month Periods Ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 (Unaudited), and (ii) the Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements for the Six Months Ended June 30, 2011, appearing in NeoStem's Current Report on Form 8-K dated and filed with the SEC on September 16, 2011 and in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus, are incorporated by reference herein.

#### (d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 13, 2011, by and among NeoStem, Inc., Amorcyte, Inc., Amo Acquisition Company I, Inc. and Amo Acquisition Company II, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to NeoStem's Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 11, 2011 and filed with the SEC on July 14, 2011).
3.1	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of NeoStem, Inc.
4.1	Warrant Agreement, dated as of October 17, 2011, between NeoStem, Inc. and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, with the form of Global Series AMO Warrant attached thereto.
10.1	Escrow Agreement, dated as of October 17, 2011, among NeoStem, Inc., Amorcyte, Inc., Paul J. Schmitt, as Amorcyte Representative, and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Escrow Agent.
10.2	NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Equity Compensation Plan, as amended.
10.3	NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Non-U.S. Based Equity Compensation Plan, as amended.
99.1	Press release dated October 17, 2011.

## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, NeoStem, Inc. has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# NEOSTEM, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Catherine M.</u> Vaczy

Name: Catherine M. Vaczy

Title: Vice President and General Counsel

Date: October 17, 2011

# CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF NEOSTEM, INC.

Pursuant to Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware

NeoStem, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Corporation"), does hereby certify that:

1. The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation is hereby amended by deleting ARTICLE ELEVENTH thereof and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"ELEVENTH: For the management of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation, and for further definition, limitation and regulation of the powers of the Corporation and its Directors and stockholders:

- "A. The number of Directors constituting the Corporation's Board of Directors shall be determined by the Board of Directors, from time to time. The term of office of all Directors shall expire at the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation. Commencing with the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders, the Directors constituting the Corporation's Board of Directors shall not be classified and, other than those who may be elected by the holders of any classes or series of stock having a preference over the Common Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, shall be elected annually at each annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation, to hold office for a term expiring at the next annual meeting of stockholders, with each director to hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified. Any Director, other than those who may be elected by the holders of any classes or series of stock having a preference over the Common Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, may be removed from office at any time, with or without cause by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the voting power of then outstanding capital stock entitled to vote on the matter, voting together as a single class.
- "B. Except as otherwise fixed by or pursuant to provisions hereof relating to the rights of the holders of any class or series of stock having a preference over Common Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation to elect additional Directors under specified circumstances, newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of Directors and any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, removal or other cause shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors then in office, even though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors, or by a sole remaining Director. Any Director appointed by the Board of Directors in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office and shall be elected for the remainder of the full term of the class of Directors in which the new directorship was created or the vacancy occurred and until such Director's successor shall have been elected and qualified."

2. The foregoing amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the S Delaware.		
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

NEOSTEM, INC.

By: /s/ Robin L. Smith, M.D.

Name: Robin L. Smith, M.D. Title: Chief Executive Officer

#### WARRANT AGREEMENT

#### **SERIES AMO WARRANTS**

THIS WARRANT AGREEMENT (this "**Agreement**"), dated as of October 17, 2011, is entered into by and between NeoStem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**NeoStem**" or the "**Company**"), and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, a New York corporation (the "**Warrant Agent**").

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2011, NeoStem consummated a merger (the "Merger") of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Amo Acquisition Company I, Inc. ("Subco"), with and into Amorcyte, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Amorcyte"), pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 13, 2011 (as such agreement may be amended from time to time, the "Merger Agreement"), by and among NeoStem, Amorcyte, Subco and Amo Acquisition Company II, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of NeoStem;

WHEREAS, the Merger Agreement provides that the Company will issue warrants to purchase One Million Eight Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Eight (1,881,008) shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, (the "NeoStem Common Stock") exercisable over a seven year period at an exercise price of \$1.466 per share (the "Warrants" or the "Series AMO Warrants");

WHEREAS, the Company desires the Warrant Agent to act on behalf of the Company, and the Warrant Agent is willing to so act, in connection with the issuance, transfer, exchange, redemption and exercise of the Warrants; and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to provide for the form and provisions of the Warrants, the terms upon which they shall be issued and exercised, and the respective rights, limitation of rights, and immunities of the Company, the Warrant Agent, and the holders of the Warrants.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>Appointment of Warrant Agent and Depository.</u> The Company hereby appoints the Warrant Agent to act as agent for the Company for the Series AMO Warrants, and the Warrant Agent hereby accepts such appointment and agrees to perform the same in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Company initially appoints the Warrant Agent to act as Depository with respect to the Global Warrants as hereinafter defined.

#### 2. Warrants.

2.1 <u>Issuance of Warrants</u>. Each Series AMO Warrant shall be (a) issued by book-entry registration only and (b) evidenced by the Global Warrant, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u>, hereto (individually a "**Global Warrant**" and together, the "**Global Warrants**"), respectively, the provisions of which are incorporated herein.

#### 2.2 Execution and Delivery of the Global Warrants.

- 2.2.1 Each Global Warrant shall be dated and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification or designation and such legends or endorsements printed, lithographed or engraved thereon as the officers of the Company executing the same may approve (execution thereof to be conclusive evidence of such approval) and as are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement or the respective Warrants, or as may be required to comply with any law or with any rule or regulation made pursuant thereto. The Global Warrants shall be signed on behalf of the Company by its chairman or vice chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board of Directors"), the chief financial officer, the president, any vice president, any assistant vice president, the treasurer or any assistant treasurer of the Company, which may but need not be attested to by its secretary or one of its assistant secretaries. Such signatures may be manual or facsimile signatures of such authorized officers and may be imprinted or otherwise reproduced on each Global Warrant. From time to time, in accordance with the Warrant Agent's customary practices, the Warrant Agent shall send to each Holder (as hereinafter defined) a statement reflecting such Holder's book-entry position in the Warrants and any changes thereto (the "Warrant Statement"). The terms and conditions of each Global Warrant are incorporated herein by this reference and made a part hereof. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if any terms or conditions of the Global Warrant or the Warrant Statement shall be found to conflict with any terms or conditions of this Agreement, the terms and conditions of the respective Global Warrants shall control except that the Warrant Agent's procedures relating to the exercise of book-entry interests in the Global Warrants shall control the exercise of the Warrants.
- 2.2.2 Each Global Warrant shall represent the respective number of outstanding Warrants from time to time endorsed thereon and the respective number of outstanding Warrants represented thereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges, redemptions, exercises and other similar transactions.
- 2.2.3 No Warrant shall be valid for any purpose, and no Warrant evidenced thereby shall be exercisable, until the Global Warrant has been countersigned by the Warrant Agent by manual or facsimile signature. Such signature by the Warrant Agent upon the Global Warrant executed by the Company shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that the Global Warrant so countersigned has been duly issued hereunder.
- 2.2.4 In case any officer of the Company who shall have signed any of the Global Warrants either manually or by facsimile signature shall cease to be such officer before such Global Warrant so signed shall have been countersigned and delivered by the Warrant Agent as provided herein, such Global Warrant may be countersigned and delivered notwithstanding that the person who signed such Global Warrant ceased to be such officer of the Company; and such Global Warrant may be signed on behalf of the Company by such persons as, at the actual date of the execution of such Global Warrant, shall be the proper officers of the Company, although at the date of the execution of this Agreement any such person was not such officer.

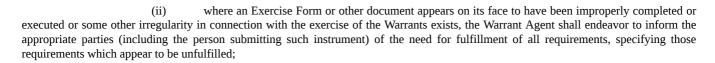
2.2.5 The term "**Holder**" shall mean, when used with respect to any Warrant, any person in whose name a Warrant is issued at the time such Warrant shall be registered upon the books to be maintained by the Warrant Agent for that purpose.

#### Terms and Exercise of Warrants.

- 3.1 <u>Exercise Price</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, "**Exercise Price**" shall mean the initial exercise price for each Warrant as set forth in the Global Warrant, subject to adjustment as provided in the Global Warrant.
- 3.2 <u>Duration of Warrants</u>. A Warrant may be exercised only during the period ("**Exercise Period**") specified in the Global Warrant or as the same may be extended as hereinafter provided. Except with respect to the right to receive the Redemption Price if the Warrants have been redeemed (as set forth in the Global Warrant), each Warrant not exercised on or before the expiration date, as set forth in the Global Warrant (the "**Expiration Date**"), shall become void, and all rights thereunder and all rights in respect thereof under this Agreement shall cease at the close of business on the Expiration Date.
- 3.3 Exercise of Warrants. Warrants may be exercised, at the option of the Holder, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time during the Exercise Period, by complying with the Warrant Agent's procedures relating to the exercise of such book-entry interest in the Global Warrant. In addition, the Holder shall deliver to the Company at the then designated office of the Warrant Agent (the "Warrant Agent Office") (i) the Exercise Form substantially in the form attached to the Global Warrant duly executed by such Holder or its duly authorized agent or attorney (the "Exercise Form") and (ii) payment of the aggregate Exercise Price. In case an exercise of Warrants is in part only, the Warrant Agent shall make an appropriate adjustment to the account of the Holder to reflect a number of Warrants for the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock equal (without giving effect to any adjustment thereof) to the number of such shares called for by such Holder's Warrants prior to such exercise, minus the number of shares designated by the Holder upon such exercise.
  - 3.3.1 Payment. The Holder shall pay the Exercise Price in accordance with the procedures in the Global Warrant and this Agreement.

#### 3.3.2 <u>Procedures and Validity.</u>

- (a) Any exercise of a Warrant by a Holder pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be irrevocable and shall constitute a binding agreement between the Holder and the Company, enforceable in accordance with its terms.
  - (b) The Warrant Agent shall:
  - (i) examine all Exercise Forms and all other documents delivered to it by or on behalf of Holders as contemplated hereunder to ascertain whether or not, on their face, such Exercise Forms and any such other documents have been executed and completed in accordance with their terms and the terms hereof;



- (iii) inform the Company of and cooperate with and assist the Company in resolving any reconciliation problems between the Exercise Forms received and the crediting of Warrants to the respective Holders' accounts; and
- (iv) advise the Company no later than two (2) business days after receipt of an Exercise Form, of (i) the receipt of such Exercise Form and the number of Warrants exercised in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, (ii) the percentage of the then outstanding Warrants represented by such exercise and (iii) such other information as the Company shall reasonably require.
- (c) All questions as to the validity, form and sufficiency (including time of receipt) of an exercised Warrant and any Exercise Form will be determined by the Company in good faith. The Company reserves the right to reject any and all Exercise Forms not in proper form or for which any corresponding agreement by the Company to exchange would, in the opinion of the Company, be unlawful. Moreover, the Company reserves the absolute right to waive any of the conditions to the exercise of Warrants or defects in the exercise thereof with regard to any particular exercise of Warrants. Other than as required in Section 3.3.2(b)(ii) above, neither the Company nor the Warrant Agent shall be under any duty to give notice to the Holders of the Warrants of any irregularities in any exercise of Warrants or any Exercise Form, nor shall it incur any liability for the failure to give such notice.
- Issuance of Certificates. As soon as practicable after the exercise of any Warrant and the clearance of the funds in payment of the Exercise Price, the Company shall cause its Transfer Agent to issue to the Holder of such Warrant a certificate or certificates representing the number of full shares of NeoStem Common Stock to which he, she or it is entitled, registered in such name or names as may be directed by him, her or it. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not be obligated to deliver any securities pursuant to the exercise of a Warrant unless (a) a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") with respect to the NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of such Warrants is effective and a current prospectus relating to the shares of NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants is available for delivery to the Holders or (b) in the opinion of counsel to the Company, the exercise of the Warrants is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and such securities are qualified for sale or exempt from qualification under applicable securities laws of the states or other jurisdictions in which the registered holder resides. Warrants may not be exercised by, or securities issued to, any Holder in any state in which such exercise or issuance would be unlawful. In the event that a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to the NeoStem Common Stock underlying the Warrants is not effective or a current prospectus is not available, a Holder shall not be entitled to exercise his, her or its Warrants unless an exemption from registration is available. In the event that during the last 20 business days immediately prior to the Expiration Date both (i) a registration statement with respect to the NeoStem Common Stock underlying the Warrants is not effective or a current prospectus is not available and (ii) the Exercise Price of the Warrants is less than the price at which the NeoStem Common Stock is trading on the NYSE Amex, (or if the NeoStem Common Stock is no longer trading on the NYSE Amex, such other stock exchange on which the shares of NeoStem Common Stock trades), the Exercise Period shall automatically be extended for a period of 20 business days after the date that the Company causes a registration statement covering the NeoStem Common Stock underlying the Warrants to be effective and a current prospectus is made available. In no event will the Company be required to "net cash settle" the warrant exercise.

- 3.3.4 <u>Valid Issuance</u>. All shares of NeoStem Common Stock issued upon the proper exercise of a Warrant in conformity with this Agreement shall be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.
- 3.3.5 <u>Date of Issuance</u>. All shares of NeoStem Common Stock so issued shall be registered in the name of the Holder or such other name as shall be designated in the Exercise Form delivered by the Holder. Such shares of NeoStem Common Stock shall be deemed to have been issued and any person so designated to be named therein shall be deemed to have become the holder of record of such shares of NeoStem Common Stock as of the date of delivery of the Exercise Form to the Warrant Agent Office duly executed by the Holder thereof and upon the Company's receipt of payment of the Exercise Price.

#### Adjustments.

- 4.1 <u>Adjustments Generally.</u> The Exercise Price, the number of Shares of NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants and the number of Warrants outstanding are subject to adjustment from time to time upon the occurrence of certain events in accordance with the provisions of the Global Warrant.
- 4.2 <u>Notices of Changes in Warrant</u>. Upon every adjustment of (i) the Exercise Price, (ii) the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants and (iii) the number of Warrants outstanding, the Company shall give written notice thereof to the Warrant Agent, which notice shall state the Exercise Price resulting from such adjustment and the increase or decrease, if any, in the number of shares purchasable at such price upon the exercise of a Warrant, setting forth in reasonable detail the method of calculation and the facts upon which such calculation is based. Upon the occurrence of any event specified in the Global Warrant then, in any such event, the Company shall give written notice to each Holder, at the last address set forth for such Holder in the Warrant register maintained by the Warrant Agent, of the record date or the effective date of the event. Failure to give such notice, or any defect therein, shall not affect the legality or validity of such event.
- 4.3 <u>No Fractional Shares</u>. Notwithstanding any provision contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall not issue fractional shares upon exercise of Warrants. If, by reason of any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 4, the Holder of any Warrant would be entitled, upon the exercise of such Warrant, to receive a fractional interest in a share, the Company shall, upon such exercise, round up or down to the nearest whole number the number of shares of NeoStem Common Stock to be issued to the Holder.

4.4 <u>Form of Warrant</u>. The form of Global Warrant need not be changed because of any adjustment pursuant to this Section 4. However, the Company may, at any time, in its sole discretion, make any change in the form of Global Warrant that the Company may deem appropriate and that does not affect the substance thereof.

#### 5. Transfer and Exchange of Warrants.

#### 5.1 <u>Exchange and Transfer</u>.

- 5.1.1 The Warrant Agent shall keep, at the Warrant Agent Office, books in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, it shall register Warrants and exchanges and transfers of outstanding Warrants upon request to exchange or transfer such Warrants, provided, that the Warrant Agent shall have received a written instruction of transfer or exchange in form satisfactory to the Warrant Agent, duly executed by the Holder thereof or by his duly authorized agent or attorney, providing all information required to be delivered hereunder, such signature to be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution to the extent required by the Warrant Agent or the Depository. Upon any such registration of transfer, a Warrant Statement shall be issued to the transferee.
- 5.1.2 No service charge shall be made for any exchange or registration of transfer of Warrants; however, the Warrant Agent and/or the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any stamp or other tax or other charge that may be imposed in connection with any such exchange or registration of transfer. Neither the Warrant Agent nor the Company shall be required to pay any stamp or other tax or other charge required to be paid in connection with such transfer, and neither the Warrant Agent nor the Company shall be required to issue or deliver any Warrants until it has been established to the Company's and the Warrant Agent's satisfaction that such tax or other charge has been paid or that no such tax or other charge is due.
- 5.1.3 The Warrant Agent shall not effect any exchange or registration of transfer which will result in the issuance of a Warrant evidencing a fraction of a Warrant or a number of full Warrants and a fraction of a Warrant.
- 5.1.4 All Warrants credited to a Holder's or transferee's account upon any exchange or transfer of Warrants in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall be the valid obligations of the Company evidencing the same obligations, and entitled to the same benefits under this Agreement, as the Warrants that were so exchanged or transferred.
- 5.2 <u>Treatment of Holders of Warrants</u>. Each Holder of Warrants, by accepting the same, consents and agrees with the Company, the Warrant Agent and every subsequent Holder of such Warrants that until the transfer of such Warrants is registered on the books of such Warrant Agent, the Company and the Warrant Agent may treat the registered Holder of such Warrants as the absolute owner thereof for any purpose and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented by the Warrants evidenced thereby, any notice to the contrary notwithstanding.

- 5.3 <u>Restrictions on Transfers.</u> Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in no event may any Holder transfer any NeoStem Common Stock received upon the exercise of a Warrant until after the one year anniversary of the date of issuance of the Global Warrant.
- 5.4 <u>Cancellation of Global Warrant</u>. Promptly following the Expiration Date or at such earlier time that there are no longer outstanding any Warrants, the Global Warrants shall be cancelled or destroyed and the Warrant Agent shall deliver a certificate of such cancellation or destruction to the Company.
- 5. <u>Redemption</u>. The Warrants may be redeemed, at the option of the Company, in accordance with the provisions of the Global Warrant.
- 7. <u>Other Provisions Relating to Rights of Holders of Warrants</u>.
- 7.1 No Rights as Stockholder. No Warrant shall, and nothing contained in this Agreement, in the Global Warrants or in the Warrant Statement shall be construed to, entitle the Holder or any beneficial owner thereof to any of the rights of a holder or beneficial owner of NeoStem Common Stock, including, without limitation, the right to vote or to consent or to receive notice as a stockholder in respect of any meeting of stockholders for the election of directors of the Company or any other matter, to receive dividends on NeoStem Common Stock or any rights whatsoever as stockholders of the Company, until such Warrant is duly exercised in accordance with this Agreement and such Holder is issued the NeoStem Common Stock to which it is entitled in connection therewith.
- 7.2 <u>Reservation of Common Stock</u>. The Company shall at all times reserve and keep available a number of its authorized but unissued shares of NeoStem Common Stock that will be sufficient to permit the exercise in full of all outstanding Warrants issued pursuant to this Agreement.
- 7.3 Registration of Common Stock. The Company included the shares of NeoStem Common Stock underlying the Warrants in the registration statement on Form S-4 that was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Merger (the "Registration Statement"). The Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the effectiveness of such Registration Statement or file and maintain the effectiveness of another registration statement covering the shares of NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants at any time that both (a) the Warrants are exercisable and (b) the Exercise Price of the Warrants is less than 105% of the price at which the NeoStem Common Stock is trading on the NYSE Amex (or if the NeoStem Common Stock is no longer trading on the NYSE Amex, such other stock exchange on which the shares of Common Stock trades). In no event will any Holder of a Warrant be entitled to receive a "net cash settlement" in lieu of physical settlement in shares of NeoStem Common Stock regardless of whether the Company complies with this Section 7.3.
- 7.4 <u>Limitation on Monetary Damages</u>. In no event shall the Holder of a Warrant be entitled to receive monetary damages for failure to settle any Warrant exercise if the NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants has not been registered with the SEC pursuant to an effective registration statement or if a current prospectus is not available for delivery by the Warrant Agent, provided the Company has fulfilled its obligations under Section 7.3 to use its commercially reasonable efforts to effect the registration under the Securities Act of the NeoStem Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants. The foregoing limitation on damages shall not apply to an exercise in connection with a redemption of a Warrant.

#### 8. <u>Concerning the Warrant Agent and Other Matters.</u>

8.1 <u>Payment of Taxes</u>. The Company will from time to time promptly pay all taxes and charges that may be imposed upon the Company or the Warrant Agent in respect of the issuance or delivery of shares of NeoStem Common Stock upon the exercise of Warrants, but the Company shall not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes in respect of the Warrants or such shares.

## 8.2 <u>Resignation, Consolidation, or Merger of Warrant Agent.</u>

- Appointment of Successor Warrant Agent. The Warrant Agent, or any successor to it hereafter appointed, may resign its duties 8.2.1 and be discharged from all further duties and liabilities hereunder after giving sixty (60) days' notice in writing to the Company and to each Holder. If the office of the Warrant Agent becomes vacant by resignation or incapacity to act or otherwise, the Company shall appoint in writing a successor Warrant Agent in place of the Warrant Agent. If the Company shall fail to make such appointment within a period of 30 days after it has been notified in writing of such resignation or incapacity by the Warrant Agent or by any Holder of a Warrant, then the Holder of any Warrant may apply to the Supreme Court of the State of New York for the County of New York for the appointment of a successor Warrant Agent at the Company's cost. Any successor Warrant Agent, whether appointed by the Company or by such court, shall be a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, in good standing and having its principal office in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York, and authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority. After appointment, any successor Warrant Agent shall be vested with all the authority, powers, rights, immunities, duties, and obligations of its predecessor Warrant Agent with like effect as if originally named as Warrant Agent hereunder, without any further act or deed; but if for any reason it becomes necessary or appropriate, the predecessor Warrant Agent shall execute and deliver, at the expense of the Company, an instrument transferring to such successor Warrant Agent all the authority, powers, and rights of such predecessor Warrant Agent hereunder; and upon request of any successor Warrant Agent the Company shall make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver any and all instruments in writing for more fully and effectually vesting in and confirming to such successor Warrant Agent all such authority, powers, rights, immunities, duties, and obligations.
- 8.2.2 <u>Notice of Successor Warrant Agent</u>. In the event a successor Warrant Agent shall be appointed, the Company shall give notice thereof to each Holder, the predecessor Warrant Agent and the transfer agent for the NeoStem Common Stock not later than the effective date of any such appointment.

8.2.3 Merger or Consolidation of Warrant Agent. Any corporation into which the Warrant Agent may be merged or with which it may be consolidated or any corporation resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the Warrant Agent shall be a party shall be the successor Warrant Agent under this Agreement without any further act.

#### 8.3 <u>Fees and Expenses of Warrant Agent.</u>

- 8.3.1 Remuneration. The Company agrees to pay the Warrant Agent reasonable remuneration for its services as such Warrant Agent hereunder and will reimburse the Warrant Agent upon demand for all expenditures that the Warrant Agent may reasonably incur in the execution of its duties hereunder.
- 8.3.2 <u>Further Assurances</u>. The Company agrees to perform, execute, acknowledge and deliver or cause to be performed, executed, acknowledged and delivered all such further and other acts, instruments and assurances as may reasonably be required by the Warrant Agent for the carrying out or performing of the provisions of this Agreement.

#### 8.4 <u>Liability of Warrant Agent.</u>

- 8.4.1 <u>Reliance on Company Statement</u>. Whenever in the performance of its duties under this Agreement the Warrant Agent shall deem it necessary or desirable that any fact or matter be proved or established by the Company prior to taking or suffering any action hereunder, such fact or matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be herein specifically prescribed) may be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by a statement signed by the General Counsel, President or Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company and delivered to the Warrant Agent. The Warrant Agent may rely upon such statement for any action taken or suffered in good faith by it pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.
- 8.4.2 <u>Indemnity.</u> The Warrant Agent shall be liable hereunder only for its own gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith. The Company agrees to indemnify the Warrant Agent and save it harmless against any and all liabilities, including judgments, costs and reasonable counsel fees, for anything done or omitted by the Warrant Agent in the execution of this Agreement, except as a result of the Warrant Agent's gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith.
- 8.4.3 Exclusions. The Warrant Agent shall have no responsibility with respect to the validity of this Agreement or with respect to the validity or execution of any Warrant (except its countersignature thereof); nor shall it be responsible for any breach by the Company of any covenant or condition contained in this Agreement or in any Warrant; nor shall it be responsible to make any adjustments required under the provisions of Section 4 hereof or responsible for the manner, method or amount of any such adjustment or the ascertaining of the existence of facts that would require any such adjustment; nor shall it by any act hereunder be deemed to make any representation or warranty as to the authorization or reservation of any shares of NeoStem Common Stock to be issued pursuant to this Agreement or any Warrant or as to whether any shares of NeoStem Common Stock will when issued be valid and fully paid and nonassessable.

8.5 <u>Acceptance of Agency.</u> The Warrant Agent hereby accepts the agency established by this Agreement and agrees to perform the same upon the terms and conditions herein set forth and, among other things, shall account promptly to the Company with respect to Warrants exercised and concurrently account for, and pay to the Company, all moneys received by the Warrant Agent for the purchase of shares of NeoStem Common Stock through the exercise of Warrants.

#### Miscellaneous Provisions.

- 9.1 <u>Successors.</u> All the covenants and provisions of this Agreement by or for the benefit of the Company or the Warrant Agent shall bind and inure to the benefit of their respective successors and assigns.
- 9.2 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, statement or demand authorized by this Agreement to be given or made by the Warrant Agent or by the holder of any Warrant to or on the Company shall be delivered by hand or sent by registered or certified mail or overnight courier service, addressed (until another address is filed in writing by the Company with the Warrant Agent) as follows:

NeoStem, Inc. 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 450 New York, New York 10170 Attention: General Counsel

Any notice, statement or demand authorized by this Agreement to be given or made by the holder of any Warrant or by the Company to or on the Warrant Agent shall be delivered by hand or sent by registered or certified mail or overnight courier service, addressed (until another address is filed in writing by the Company with the Warrant Agent) as follows:

Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company 17 Battery Place New York, New York 10004 Attn: Compliance Department

with a copy in each case to:

Lowenstein Sandler PC

65 Livingston Avenue Roseland, NJ 07068 Telephone: 973-597-2564 Facsimile: 973-597-2565 Attention: Alan Wovsaniker, Esq.

Any notice, sent pursuant to this Agreement shall be effective, if delivered by hand, upon receipt thereof by the party to whom it is addressed, if sent by overnight courier, on the next business day of the delivery to the courier, and if sent by registered or certified mail on the third day after registration or certification thereof.

- 9.3 <u>Notices to Holders of Warrants</u>. Any notice to Holders of Warrants which by any provisions of this Warrant Agreement is required or permitted to be given shall be given by first class mail prepaid at such Holder's address as it appears on the books of the Warrant Agent.
- 9.4 <u>Applicable Law.</u> The validity, interpretation and performance of this Agreement and of the Warrants shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to conflicts of law principles that would result in the application of the substantive laws of another jurisdiction. The Company hereby agrees that any action, proceeding or claim against it arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the courts of the State of New York or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction, which jurisdiction shall be exclusive. The Company hereby waives any objection to such exclusive jurisdiction and that such courts represent an inconvenient forum. Any such process or summons to be served upon the Company may be served by transmitting a copy thereof by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to it at the address set forth in Section 9.2 hereof. Such mailing shall be deemed personal service and shall be legal and binding upon the Company in any action, proceeding or claim.
- 9.5 <u>Persons Having Rights under this Agreement.</u> Nothing in this Agreement expressed and nothing that may be implied from any of the provisions hereof is intended, or shall be construed, to confer upon, or give to, any person or corporation other than the parties hereto and the registered holders of the Warrants, any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or of any covenant, condition, stipulation, promise, or agreement hereof. All covenants, conditions, stipulations, promises, and agreements contained in this Agreement shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and assigns and of the registered holders of the Warrants.
- 9.6 <u>Examination of the Warrant Agreement</u>. A copy of this Agreement shall be available at all reasonable times at the office of the Warrant Agent in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York, for inspection by the Holder of any Warrant. The Warrant Agent may require any such Holder to submit his, her or its Warrant Statements for inspection by it.
- 9.7 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of original or facsimile counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original, and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.
- 9.8 <u>Effect of Headings</u>. The section headings herein are for convenience only and are not part of this Agreement and shall not affect the interpretation thereof.
- Amendments. This Agreement may be amended by the parties hereto without the consent of any Holder for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained herein or adding or changing any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Agreement as the parties may deem necessary or desirable and provided such amendment shall not adversely affect the interest of the Holders. All other modifications, adjustments or amendments of this Agreement, shall require the written consent of the registered holders of a majority of the then outstanding Warrants provided that no amendment to the Global Warrant shall be effective to charge any Holder who has not consented thereto. The Warrant Agent may request from either the Company or the Holders an opinion of counsel with respect to the validity of any amendment as a condition to its exercise of any amendment.

9.10 Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of this Agreement.

[Signature page follows]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** this Agreement has been duly executed by the parties hereto as of the day and year first above written.

# NEOSTEM, INC.

By:  $\slash shows / \slash shows /$ 

Name: Robin L. Smith, M.D. Title: Chief Executive Officer

# CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY

By: /s/ John W. Comer, Jr.

Name: John W. Comer, Jr. Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to Series AMO Warrant Agreement]

# EXHIBIT A

# FORM OF GLOBAL WARRANT CERTIFICATE FOR SERIES AMO WARRANTS

See attached.

#### [FORM OF GLOBAL WARRANT CERTIFICATE FOR SERIES AMO WARRANTS]

#### EXERCISABLE ONLY IF AUTHENTICATED BY THE WARRANT AGENT AS PROVIDED HEREIN

VOID AFTER THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON OCTOBER 16, 2018

NEOSTEM, INC.

Global Warrant Certificate representing Series AMO Warrants to purchase 1,881,008 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share as described herein

CUSIP NO. 640650 172

NEITHER THIS SECURITY NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, ENCUMBERED, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN

Each Series AMO Warrant (each a "Warrant") represented hereby, entitles the holder to purchase one share (the "Warrant Share") of common stock, \$.001 par value (the "Common Stock"), of NeoStem, Inc., a Delaware corporation, (the "Corporation") for the benefit of certain Holders (as defined in the Warrant Agreement) of such Warrants on the following terms. This Global Warrant Certificate represents the number of outstanding Warrants from time to time endorsed hereon and the number of outstanding Warrants represented hereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate to reflect exchanges, redemptions, exercises and other similar transactions. This Global Warrant Certificate is issued under and in accordance with the Warrant Agreement, and is subject to the terms and provisions contained therein, all of which terms and provisions the Holders consent to by acceptance of their bookentry interests in the Global Warrant Certificate. Copies of the Warrant Agreement are on file at the Corporation's headquarters. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Global Warrant Certificate and the Warrant Agreement, this Global Warrant Certificate shall control. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in that certain Warrant Agreement dated as of October 17, 2011 by and between the

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OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO THE CORPORATION THAT SUCH REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

- 1. <u>Exercise Period.</u> The Warrants shall vest in full and become exercisable on October 17, 2011 (the "Vesting Date") and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, shall expire at 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on October 16, 2018 (the "Termination Date").
- Exercise of Warrants. Each Holder may, at any time on or after the Vesting Date and prior to the Termination Date, exercise his, her or its Warrant in whole or in part at an exercise price per share equal to \$1.466 per share, subject to adjustment as provided herein (the "Exercise Price"), by the delivery of the Warrant Exercise Form annexed hereto duly completed and executed to the Warrant Agent at the Warrant Agent Office or at such other agency or office of the Corporation in the United States of America as the Corporation may designate by notice in writing to the Holder at the address of such Holder appearing on the books of the Corporation, and by payment to the Corporation of the Exercise Price in lawful money of the United States by certified check or wire transfer for each share of Common Stock being purchased. Upon any partial exercise of a Warrant, the Warrant Agent shall make an appropriate adjustment to the account of the Holder to reflect a number of warrants for the account of the Holder equal (without giving effect to any adjustment thereof) to the number of shares called for by such Holder's Warrants prior to such exercise, minus the number of shares designated by the Holder upon such exercise. In the event of the exercise of the rights represented by any Warrant, a certificate or certificates for the Warrant Shares so purchased, as applicable, registered in the name of the Holder, shall be delivered to the Holder hereof as soon as practicable after the rights represented by such Warrant shall have been so exercised.
- 3. <u>Reservation of Warrant Shares</u>. The Corporation agrees that, prior to the expiration of this Warrant, it will at all times have authorized and in reserve, and will keep available, solely for issuance or delivery upon the exercise of all outstanding Warrants represented by this Global Warrant Certificate, the number of Warrant Shares as from time to time shall be issuable by the Corporation upon the exercise of this Warrant.
- 4. <u>No Stockholder Rights; No Rights to Net Cash Settled.</u> No Warrant shall entitle the holder hereof to any voting rights or other rights as a stockholder of the Corporation. In no event may any Warrant be net cash settled.
- 5. <u>Transferability of Warrant and Underlying Shares.</u> Prior to the Termination Date and subject to compliance with applicable Federal and State securities and other laws, this Warrant and all rights hereunder are transferable, in whole or in part, at the office or agency of the Corporation by the Holder in person or by duly authorized attorney in accordance with the provisions of the Warrant Agreement and upon delivery of the Assignment Form annexed hereto properly endorsed for transfer. The Corporation or the Warrant Agent shall be entitled to require, as a condition of any such transfer, that the Holder and the transferee execute or provide such documents and make such representations and warranties as the Corporation or the Warrant Agent may deem appropriate to evidence compliance with applicable law or otherwise. None of the Warrant Shares, if issued, may be transferred by the Holder until after the date that is one year after the date of issuance of this Warrant.

- 6. <u>Certain Adjustments</u>. With respect to any rights that any Holder has to exercise any Warrant and convert into shares of Common Stock, Holder shall be entitled to the following adjustments:
- (a) Merger or Consolidation. If at any time there shall be a merger or a consolidation of the Corporation with or into another entity when the Corporation is not the surviving corporation, then, as part of such merger or consolidation, lawful provision shall be made so that the holder hereof shall thereafter be entitled to receive upon exercise of each Warrant, during the period specified herein and upon payment of the aggregate Exercise Price then in effect, the number of shares of stock or other securities or property (including cash) of the successor corporation resulting from such merger or consolidation, to which the holder hereof as the holder of the stock deliverable upon exercise of each Warrant would have been entitled in such merger or consolidation if each Warrant had been exercised immediately before such transaction. In any such case, appropriate adjustment shall be made in the application of the provisions of each Warrant with respect to the rights and interests of the holder hereof as the holder of each Warrant after the merger or consolidation.
- (b) <u>Reclassification, Recapitalization, etc.</u> If the Corporation at any time shall, by subdivision, combination or reclassification of securities, recapitalization, automatic conversion, or other similar event affecting the number or character of outstanding shares of Common Stock, or otherwise, change any of the securities as to which purchase rights under each Warrant exist into the same or a different number of securities of any other class or classes, each Warrant shall thereafter represent the right to acquire such number and kind of securities as would have been issuable as the result of such change with respect to the securities that were subject to the purchase rights under each Warrant immediately prior to such subdivision, combination, reclassification or other change.
- (c) <u>Split or Combination of Common Stock and Stock Dividend</u>. In case the Corporation shall at any time subdivide, redivide, recapitalize, split (forward) or change its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a greater number of shares or declare a dividend upon its Common Stock payable solely in shares of Common Stock, the Exercise Price shall be proportionately reduced and the number of Warrant Shares proportionately increased. Conversely, in case of a reverse stock split or the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Corporation shall be combined into a smaller number of shares, the Exercise Price shall be proportionately increased and the number of Warrant Shares proportionately reduced.
- 7. <u>Compliance with Securities Laws; Legend and Stop Transfer Orders</u>. Unless the Warrant Shares are subject to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, upon exercise of any part of any Warrant represented hereby, (i) the Corporation shall be entitled to require that the Holder make such representations and warranties as may be reasonably required by the Corporation to assure that the issuance of Warrant Shares is exempt from the registration requirements of applicable securities laws and (ii) the Corporation shall instruct its transfer agent to enter stop transfer orders with respect to such Warrant Shares, and all certificates or instruments representing the Warrant Shares shall bear on the face thereof substantially the following legend:

THE SECURITIES EVIDENCED BY THIS CERTIFICATE HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS AND HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN RELIANCE UPON AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND SUCH OTHER SECURITIES LAWS. NEITHER THIS SECURITY NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, ENCUMBERED, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO THE CORPORATION THAT SUCH REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

- **8.** <u>Redemption of Warrant</u>. Each Warrant is subject to redemption by the Corporation as provided in this <u>Section 8</u>.
- (a) Each Warrant may be redeemed, at the option of the Corporation, in whole and not in part, at a redemption price of \$.0001 per Warrant (the "Redemption Price"), provided the average closing price of the Common Stock as quoted by Bloomberg, LP., or the Principal Trading Market (as defined below) on which the Common Stock is included for quotation or trading, shall equal or exceed \$3.466 per share (taking into account all adjustments) for twenty (20) out of thirty (30) consecutive trading days.
- (b) If the conditions set forth in Section 8(a) are met, and the Corporation desires to exercise its right to redeem each Warrant, it shall mail a notice (the "Redemption Notice") to the registered holder of each Warrant by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least fourteen (14) business days prior to the date fixed by the Corporation for redemption of the Warrants (the "Redemption Date").
- (c) The Redemption Notice shall specify (i) the Redemption Price, (ii) the Redemption Date, (iii) the redemption price payable, and (iv) that the right to exercise each Warrant shall terminate at 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on the business day immediately preceding the Redemption Date. No failure to mail such notice nor any defect therein or in the mailing thereof shall affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption except as to a holder (a) to whom notice was not mailed, or (b) whose notice was defective. An affidavit of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Corporation that the Redemption Notice has been mailed shall, in the absence of fraud, be *prima facie* evidence of the facts stated therein.
- (d) Any right to exercise a Warrant shall terminate at 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on the business day immediately preceding the Redemption Date. On and after the Redemption Date, the holder of each Warrant shall have no further rights except to receive the Redemption Price.
- (e) From and after the Redemption Date, the Corporation shall, at the place specified in the Redemption Notice, upon presentation and surrender to the Corporation by or on behalf of the holder thereof the warrant certificates evidencing each Warrant being redeemed, deliver, or cause to be delivered to or upon the written order of such holder, a sum in cash equal to the Redemption Price of each Warrant. From and after the Redemption Date, each Warrant shall expire and become void and all rights hereunder, except the right to receive payment of the Redemption Price, shall cease.

- 9. <u>Miscellaneous.</u> This Global Warrant Certificate and each Warrant represented hereby shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. All the covenants and provisions of this Global Warrant Certificate and each Warrant by or for the benefit of the Corporation shall bind and inure to the benefit of its successors and assigns hereunder. Nothing in this Global Warrant Certificate shall be construed to give to any person or corporation other than the Corporation and the holder of each Warrant represented hereby any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Global Warrant Certificate and each Warrant represented hereby shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Corporation and the Holder. The section headings herein are for convenience only and are not part of this Global Warrant Certificate and shall not affect the interpretation hereof.
  - 10. <u>Validity.</u> This Global Warrant Certificate shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose until authenticated by the Warrant Agent.

IN WITHESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this warrant to be executed by its duty authorized officer, this 17th day of October 2011.		
	NEOSTEM, INC.	
	Robin L. Smith Chairman & Chief Executive Officer	
Certificate of	Authentication	
This is the Global Warrant Certificate for the Series AMO Warrants r	referred to in the within-mentioned Warrant Agreement.	
CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY, As Warrant Agent		
By: Authorized Signature		
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# [TO BE ATTACHED TO GLOBAL WARRANT CERTIFICATE]

# SCHEDULE OF INCREASES OR DECREASES IN GLOBAL WARRANT CERTIFICATE

## SERIES AMO WARRANTS

The following increases or decreases in this Global Warrant have been made:

Date	Amount of decrease in the	Amount of increase in	Number of Warrants	Signature of authorized
	number of Warrants	number of Warrants	represented by this Global	officer of the Depositary
	represented by this Global	represented by this Global	Security following such	
	Warrant	Warrant	decrease or increase	

# FORM OF EXERCISE FORM

# To Be Executed by the Holder in Order to Exercise Series AMO Warrant

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# [FORM OF ASSIGNMENT]

# (TO BE EXECUTED TO TRANSFER THE WARRANT)

For value received,		I transfers unto the Assignee(s) named below the rights represented by	
		ignee(s) named below and all other rights of the Holder with respect to	
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Depositary and/or the wa	ariant Agent with respect to the number of warrants set to	itti below, with full power of substitution.	
Name(s) of	Address	No. of Warrants	
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Dated:			
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	Signature		
	(Signed exactly as name appears in the		
	records of the Depositary)		
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Signature Guarantee:			
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#### ESCROW AGREEMENT

**THIS ESCROW AGREEMENT** ("<u>Agreement</u>") is made and entered into as of October 17, 2011, by and among NeoStem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Parent</u>"), Amorcyte, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), Paul Schmitt (the "<u>Amorcyte Representative</u>"), as representative of the stockholders of the Company identified from time to time on <u>Schedule 1</u> hereto, and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, a New York corporation (the "<u>Escrow Agent</u>").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Parent, Amo Acquisition Company I, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent ("Subco"), Amo Acquisition Company II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent ("Subco II"), and the Company have entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 13, 2011 (the "Merger Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other things, (i) Subco is merging with and into the Company, with the Company surviving such merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent (the "First Merger"), (ii) within ninety (90) days after the First Merger, the Company, as the surviving company of the First Merger, is merging with and into Subco II, with Subco II surviving such merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent (the "Second Merger" and together with the First Merger, the "Mergers"), and (iii) certain issuances of Parent Common Stock are to be made by Parent to the Amorcyte Representative on behalf of the Amorcyte Stockholders. A copy of the Merger Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

**WHEREAS**, the Merger Agreement contemplates the establishment of an escrow account to secure certain rights of the Parent Indemnified Parties to indemnification and reimbursement as provided in the Merger Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8.5 of the Merger Agreement, Paul Schmitt has been irrevocably appointed by the Amorcyte Stockholders to serve as the Amorcyte Representative in connection with all matters under this Agreement and the resolution of all claims for Damages under the Merger Agreement.

#### AGREEMENT

The parties, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

#### Section 1. Defined Terms.

- 1.1 Capitalized terms used and not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings given to them in the Merger Agreement.
- **1.2** As used in this Agreement, the term "<u>Amorcyte Stockholders</u>" refers to the Persons who were stockholders of the Company immediately prior to the First Effective Time or to which the rights under this Agreement have been assigned as set forth herein. "<u>Escrowed Shares</u>" refers to the 5,843,483 shares of Parent Common Stock being issued as the Base Stock Consideration under the Merger Agreement.

#### Section 2. Escrow and Indemnification.

- 2.1 Appointment of Escrow Agent; Shares and Stock Powers Placed in Escrow. Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company is hereby appointed to serve as Escrow Agent hereunder, and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company hereby agrees to serve as Escrow Agent hereunder. In accordance with the Merger Agreement, promptly following the First Effective Time, (a) Parent shall issue certificates for the Escrowed Shares registered in the name of the Escrow Agent evidencing 5,843,483 shares of Parent Common Stock to be held in escrow under this Agreement, and shall cause such certificates to be delivered to the Escrow Agent, and (b) the Amorcyte Representative shall deliver to the Escrow Agent an "assignment separate from certificate" ("Stock Power") endorsed by him in blank. Such endorsement by the Amorcyte Representative shall have been guaranteed by a national bank or an NYSE-Amex member firm.
- **2.2 Escrow Account.** The Escrowed Shares being held in escrow pursuant to this Agreement, together with any distributions on the Escrowed Shares, shall collectively constitute an escrow fund securing the indemnification rights of Parent and the other Parent Indemnified Parties under the Merger Agreement. The Escrow Agent agrees to accept delivery of the Escrowed Shares and to hold the Escrowed Shares in a separate escrow account (such account, the "Escrow Account"), subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Merger Agreement.
- **2.3 Voting of Escrow Shares.** The Escrow Agent, as record owner of the Escrowed Shares, shall exercise all voting rights with respect to such Escrowed Shares in accordance with Section 3.5 of the Merger Agreement, upon receipt of written instructions from the Amorcyte Representative. The Escrow Agent is not obligated to distribute to the Amorcyte Stockholders or to the Amorcyte Representative any proxy materials or other documents relating to the Escrowed Shares received by the Escrow Agent from Parent.
- **2.4 Reports.** Upon the request of either Parent or the Amorcyte Representative, the Escrow Agent shall provide a statement to the requesting party that describes any deposit, distribution or investment activity or deductions with respect to shares of Parent Common Stock held in the Escrow Account in addition to quarterly account statements from the Escrow Agent.
- 2.5 **Dividends, Etc.** Parent and the Amorcyte Representative, on behalf of each of the Amorcyte Stockholders, agree that any shares of Parent Common Stock or other property (including ordinary cash dividends) distributable or issuable (whether by way of dividend, stock split or otherwise) in respect of or in exchange for any Escrowed Shares (including pursuant to or as a part of a merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or stock, reorganization or liquidation involving Parent) shall not be distributed or issued to the beneficial owners of such Escrowed Shares, but rather shall be distributed or issued to and held by the Escrow Agent in the Escrow Account. Any securities or other property received by the Escrow Agent in respect of any Escrowed Shares held in escrow as a result of any stock split or combination of shares of Parent Common Stock, payment of a stock dividend or other stock distribution in or on shares of Parent Common Stock, or change of Parent Common Stock into any other securities pursuant to or as a part of the Escrow Account.

- **2.6 Transferability.** Except as expressly provided for herein or by operation of law, the interests of the Amorcyte Stockholders in the Escrow Account shall not be assignable or transferable.
- **2.7 Trust Fund.** The Escrow Account shall be held as trust funds and shall not be subject to any lien, attachment, trustee process or any other judicial process of any creditor of Escrow Agent, any Amorcyte Stockholder or Parent, respectively, or of any party hereto. The Escrow Agent shall hold and safeguard the Escrow Account until the Escrow Termination Date (as defined in Section 3.3) or earlier distribution in accordance with this Agreement.

#### Section 3. Release of Escrow Shares.

- 3.1 General. (X) Within ten (10) calendar days after receiving either (a) written instructions from the Parent (a "Parent Notice") which have not been objected to by the Amorcyte Representative within thirty (30) calendar days after the Parent's delivery of such Parent Notice to the Amorcyte Representative, (b) joint written instructions from Parent and the Amorcyte Representative ("Joint Instructions"), (c) a decision and/or award from the Arbitrator (an "Arbitration Award") or (d) an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction (a "Court Order") relating to the release of any Escrowed Shares from the Escrow Account or (Y) in accordance with Section 3.3 hereof, the Escrow Agent shall release or cause to be released any such Escrowed Shares and any other amounts from the Escrow Account, in the amounts, to the Persons and in the manner set forth in such Parent Notice, Joint Instructions, Arbitration Award, Court Order or as provided in Section 3.3, as applicable. If a Parent Notice is sent under Section 8.4 of the Merger Agreement and such Parent Notice is not disputed as provided in Section 8.4 within thirty (30) calendar days, the Escrow Agent shall make the distribution requested by the Parent Notice without action by the Amorcyte Representative.
- **3.2 Pro Rata Distributions**. For purposes of this Agreement, all distributions to the Amorcyte Stockholders shall be pro rata distributions made based on the percentages set forth on Schedule 1, as may be amended from time to time pursuant to Section 9.8 of this Agreement, except that no fractional shares shall be issued, and all amounts released from the Escrow Account and distributed to the Amorcyte Representative on behalf of the Amorcyte Stockholders shall be rounded up or down pursuant to Section 3.4(e) of the Merger Agreement.

The Company and the Amorcyte Representative represent and warrant that <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto (the "<u>Percentage Certification</u>") accurately reflects the percentage interest of each Amorcyte Stockholder in each class of merger consideration being allocated among the Amorcyte Stockholders thereon.

#### 3.3 Release of the Escrowed Shares.

- (a) Within ten (10) Business Days following the six (6) month anniversary of the Closing Date (the "Six-Month Release Date"), the Escrow Agent shall deliver to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Amorcyte Stockholders in accordance with the Percentage Certification as of the Six-Month Release Date an aggregate of up to 20% of the Base Stock Consideration in the Escrow Account (the "Six-Month Release Amount"), provided, however, that if there are claims for Damages against the Escrow Account that have not been finally resolved and paid as of the Six-Month Release Date, the Escrow Agent shall release and deliver to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Amorcyte Stockholders only a number of Escrowed Shares equal to the positive difference, if any, between (i) the Six-Month Release Amount and (ii) the number of Escrowed Shares then being held with respect to pending claims against the Escrow Account. The Escrow Agent shall deliver Escrowed Shares subject to pending claims that would have otherwise been released and delivered to the Amorcyte Representative pursuant to this Section 3.3(a) when the pending claims are finally resolved.
- (b) Within ten (10) Business Days following the one year anniversary of the Closing Date (the "One-Year Release Date"), the Escrow Agent shall deliver to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Amorcyte Stockholders in accordance with the Percentage Certification as of the One-Year Release Date the balance of shares of Parent Common Stock then held in the Escrow Account at such time except as follows: If no claims for Damages have been asserted against the Escrow Account by the Parent prior to the One-Year Release Date, then the Escrow Agent shall retain in the Escrow Account Parent Common Stock with a Current Value of \$1,250,000 until the date that is two (2) years and one day after the Closing Date (the "Escrow Termination Date"). If any claims for Damages have been asserted against the Escrow Account by the Parent prior to the One-Year Release Date, then the Escrow Agent shall retain in the Escrow Account Parent Common Stock with a Current Value equal to the sum of (i) \$2,500,000 plus (ii) the amount of any then pending and unresolved claims until the Escrow Termination Date.
- (c) Within ten (10) Business Days following the Escrow Termination Date, if there are no claims for Damages pending against the Escrow Account, the Escrow Agent shall deliver to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Amorcyte Stockholders in accordance with the Percentage Certification as of the Escrow Termination Date the balance of shares of Parent Common Stock and other property held in the Escrow Account at such time. If, on the Escrow Termination Date, there are claims for Damages against the Escrow Account that have not been finally resolved, then, within ten (10) Business Days of the Escrow Termination Date, the Escrow Agent shall deliver to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Amorcyte Stockholders the excess, if any, by which the value of the amounts held in the Escrow Account exceed an amount equal to 120% of the maximum amount of any claims for Damages against the Escrow Account that have not been finally resolved and paid at such time. Thereafter, final distributions of the Escrow Account shall be made in accordance with Section 3.1(X)(a), (b), (c) or (d), as applicable.

- **3.4 Distributions**. Whenever a distribution of a number of shares of Parent Common Stock is to be made pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the Escrow Agent shall requisition the appropriate number of shares from Parent's stock transfer agent, delivering to the transfer agent the appropriate stock certificates accompanied by the respective Stock Powers, together with the specific instructions, as appropriate. Within 5 Business Days prior to the date the Escrow Agent is required to make a distribution of shares of Parent Common Stock or other property (including ordinary cash dividends) to the Amorcyte Representative pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the Escrow Agent shall provide the Amorcyte Representative and the Parent with a notice specifying that a distribution will be made and requesting that the Amorcyte Representative update the then current <u>Schedule 1</u> to this Agreement. The Escrow Agent shall make the appropriate distributions to the Amorcyte Representative for distribution to the Persons listed on such updated <u>Schedule 1</u> in accordance with the terms hereof. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the Escrow Agent shall not be obligated to make any distribution under this Agreement unless it has received from the Amorcyte Representative an updated <u>Schedule 1</u> to this Agreement as provided herein. Any distributions to Parent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be made to the address set forth in <u>Schedule 2</u> hereto.
- **3.5 Disputes.** All disputes, claims, or controversies arising out of or relating to Section 3 of this Agreement that are not resolved by mutual agreement between Parent and the Amorcyte Representative shall be resolved solely and exclusively as set forth in Section 8.4 of the Merger Agreement by the Amorcyte Representative and the Parent.

## Section 4. Fees and Expenses.

The Escrow Agent shall be entitled to receive, from time to time, fees in accordance with <u>Schedule 3</u>. In accordance with <u>Schedule 3</u>, the Escrow Agent will also be entitled to reimbursement for reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Escrow Agent in the performance of its duties hereunder and the execution and delivery of this Agreement. All such fees and expenses shall be paid by Parent.

#### Section 5. Limitation of Escrow Agent's Liability.

**5.1** The Escrow Agent undertakes to perform such duties as are specifically set forth in this Agreement only and shall have no duty under any other agreement or document, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Agreement against the Escrow Agent. The Escrow Agent shall incur no liability with respect to any action taken by it or for any inaction on its part in reliance upon any notice, direction, instruction, consent, statement or other document believed by it in good faith to be genuine and duly authorized, nor for any other action or inaction except for its own gross negligence or willful misconduct. In all questions arising under this Agreement, the Escrow Agent may rely on the advice of counsel, and for anything done, omitted or suffered in good faith by the Escrow Agent based upon such advice the Escrow Agent shall not be liable to anyone. In no event shall the Escrow Agent be liable for incidental, punitive or consequential damages.

**5.2** Parent and the Amorcyte Representative, acting on behalf of the Amorcyte Stockholders hereby agree to indemnify the Escrow Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents for, and hold it and them harmless against, any loss, liability or expense incurred without gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of Escrow Agent, arising out of or in connection with the Escrow Agent's carrying out its duties hereunder. This right of indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the resignation of the Escrow Agent.

#### **Section 6.** Termination.

This Agreement shall terminate upon the release by the Escrow Agent of the final amounts held in the Escrow Account in accordance with Section 3.

#### Section 7. Successor Escrow Agent.

In the event the Escrow Agent becomes unavailable or unwilling to continue as escrow agent under this Agreement, the Escrow Agent may resign and be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder by giving its written resignation to the parties to this Agreement. Such resignation shall take effect not less than thirty (30) calendar days after it is given to all the other parties hereto. In such event, Parent may appoint a successor Escrow Agent (acceptable to the Amorcyte Representative, acting reasonably). If Parent fails to appoint a successor Escrow Agent within fifteen (15) calendar days after receiving the Escrow Agent's written resignation, the Escrow Agent shall have the right to apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Escrow Agent. The successor Escrow Agent shall execute and deliver to the Escrow Agent an instrument accepting such appointment, and the successor Escrow Agent shall, without further acts, be vested with all the estates, property rights, powers and duties of the predecessor Escrow Agent as if originally named as Escrow Agent herein. The Escrow Agent shall act in accordance with written instructions from Parent and the Amorcyte Representative as to the transfer of the Escrow Accounts to a successor Escrow Agent.

#### Section 8. Amorcyte Representative.

Unless and until Parent and the Escrow Agent shall have received written notice of the appointment of a successor Amorcyte Representative, Parent and the Escrow Agent shall be entitled to rely on, and shall be fully protected in relying on, the power and authority of the Amorcyte Representative to act on behalf of the Amorcyte Stockholders.

#### Section 9. Miscellaneous.

**9.1 Attorneys' Fees**. In any action at law or suit in equity to enforce or interpret this Agreement or the rights of any of the parties hereunder, the prevailing party in such action or suit shall be entitled to receive a reasonable sum for its attorneys' fees and all other reasonable costs and expenses incurred in such action or suit.

**9.2 Notices.** Any notice or other communication required or permitted to be delivered to any party under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed properly delivered, given and received when delivered (by hand, by registered mail, by courier or express delivery service or by facsimile) to the address or facsimile telephone number set forth beneath the name of such party below (or to such other address or facsimile telephone number as such party shall have specified in a written notice given to the other parties hereto):

## if to Parent:

NeoStem, Inc. Suite 450 420 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10170

Attention: Catherine M. Vaczy, Esq.

Facsimile: (646) 607-4672

with a copy, which shall not constitute notice, to:

Lowenstein Sandler PC 65 Livingston Avenue Roseland, NJ 07068

Attention: Alan Wovsaniker, Esq. Facsimile: (973) 597-2565

## if to the Amorcyte Representative:

Amorcyte, Inc.
4 Pearl Court, Suite C
Allendale, NJ 07401

Attention: Paul Schmitt Facsimile: (201) 883-1406

with a copy, which shall not constitute notice, to:

LeClair Ryan One Riverfront Plaza 1037 Raymond Boulevard, Sixteenth Floor Newark, NJ 07102

Attention: William Oberdorf, Esq. Facsimile: (973) 491-3489

# if to the Escrow Agent:

Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company 17 Battery Place New York, NY 10004

Attention: John W. Comer, Jr. Facsimile: (212) 616-7615

Notwithstanding the foregoing, notices addressed to the Escrow Agent shall be effective only upon receipt. If any notice or other document is required to be delivered to the Escrow Agent and any other Person, the Escrow Agent may assume without inquiry that notice or other document was received by such other Person on the date on which it was received by the Escrow Agent.

- **9.3 Headings**. The bold-faced headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, shall not be deemed to be a part of this Agreement and shall not be referred to in connection with the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.
- **9.4 Counterparts and Exchanges by Facsimile or Other Electronic Transmission.** This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one agreement. The exchange of a fully executed Agreement (in counterparts or otherwise) by facsimile or other means of electronic transmission shall be sufficient to bind the parties to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- **9.5 Applicable Law; Jurisdiction.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of laws thereof. Subject to Section 3.5 of this Agreement, in any action between the parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement: (a) each of the parties irrevocably and unconditionally consents and submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the state and federal courts located in the State of New York; (b) if any such action is commenced in a state court, then, subject to applicable law, no party shall object to the removal of such action to any federal court located in the State of New York; and (c) each of the parties irrevocably waives the right to trial by jury.
- **9.6 Successors and Assigns.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of each of the parties hereto and each of their respective permitted successors and assigns, if any. No direct or indirect interest in the Escrow Account or the shares of Parent Common Stock held in the Escrow Account may be sold, assigned, transferred or pledged except by operation of law.
- **9.7 Waiver**. No failure on the part of any Person to exercise any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, and no delay on the part of any Person in exercising any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, shall operate as a waiver of such power, right, privilege or remedy; and no single or partial exercise of any such power, right, privilege or remedy shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof or of any other power, right, privilege or remedy. No Person shall be deemed to have waived any claim arising out of this Agreement, or any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, unless the waiver of such claim, power, right, privilege or remedy is expressly set forth in a written instrument duly executed and delivered on behalf of such Person; and any such waiver shall not be applicable or have any effect except in the specific instance in which it is given.

- **9.8 Amendment.** This Agreement may not be amended, modified, altered or supplemented other than by means of a written instrument duly executed and delivered on behalf of Parent, the Amorcyte Representative and the Escrow Agent; provided, however, that any amendment executed and delivered by the Amorcyte Representative shall be deemed to have been approved by and duly executed and delivered by all of the Amorcyte Stockholders.
- **9.9 Severability**. Any term or provision of this Agreement that is invalid or unenforceable in any situation in any jurisdiction shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms and provisions hereof or the validity or enforceability of the offending term or provision in any other situation or in any other jurisdiction. If the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction declares that any term or provision hereof is invalid or unenforceable, the parties hereto agree that the court making such determination shall have the power to limit the term or provision, to delete specific words or phrases, or to replace any invalid or unenforceable term or provision with a term or provision that is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid or unenforceable term or provision, and this Agreement shall be enforceable as so modified. In the event such court does not exercise the power granted to it in the prior sentence, the parties hereto agree to replace such invalid or unenforceable term or provision with a valid and enforceable term or provision that will achieve, to the extent possible, the economic, business and other purposes of such invalid or unenforceable term.
- **9.10 Parties in Interest.** Except as expressly provided herein, none of the provisions of this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to provide any rights or remedies to any Person other than the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns, if any.
- **9.11 Entire Agreement.** This Agreement and the Merger Agreement set forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior agreements and understandings among or between any of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.
- **9.12 Waiver of Jury Trial.** Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives any and all right to trial by jury in any action arising out of or related to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.
- **9.13** Cooperation. The Amorcyte Representative on behalf of the Amorcyte Stockholders and Parent agree to cooperate fully with each other and the Escrow Agent and to execute and deliver such further documents, certificates, agreements, stock powers and instruments and to take such other actions as may be reasonably requested by Parent, the Amorcyte Representative or the Escrow Agent to evidence or reflect the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to carry out the intent and purposes of this Agreement.
  - 9.14 Construction.

- (a) For purposes of this Agreement, whenever the context requires: the singular number shall include the plural, and vice versa; the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neutral genders; the feminine gender shall include the masculine and neutral genders; and the neutral gender shall include masculine and feminine genders.
- (b) The parties hereto agree that any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be applied in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.
- (c) As used in this Agreement, the words "include" and "including," and variations thereof, shall not be deemed to be terms of limitation, but rather shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
- (d) Except as otherwise indicated, all references in this Agreement to "Sections", "Schedules" and "Exhibits" are intended to refer to Sections of this Agreement, Schedules to this Agreement and Exhibits to this Agreement.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have duly caused this Agreement to be executed as of the day and year first above written.

## **NEOSTEM, INC.**, a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Robin L. Smith, M.D.

Name: Robin L. Smith, M.D.
Title: Chief Executive Officer

# AMORCYTE, INC.

By: /s/ Paul Schmitt

Name: Paul Schmitt

Title: Chief Executive Officer

# /s/ Paul Schmitt

Paul Schmitt, as Amorcyte Representative

# CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY, a New York corporation

By: /s/ John W. Comer, Jr.
Name: John W. Comer, Jr.
Title: Vice President

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# SCHEDULE 1

# AMORCYTE STOCKHOLDERS

Percentage Certification Attached.

# SCHEDULE 2

# ESCROWED SHARES

Number of Escrowed Shares: 5,843,483

Address for distributions to Parent:

NeoStem, Inc. 420 Lexington Avenue

Suite 450

New York, New York 10170 Attention: Catherine M. Vaczy, Esq.

# SCHEDULE 3

# ESCROW AGENT'S FEES AND EXPENSES

Monthly Fee for holding securities and/or cash: Additional out of pocket expenses including postage and stationary: Disbursement fees at termination: \$200 per month Additional Additional

# **EXHIBIT A**

# MERGER AGREEMENT

#### NEOSTEM, INC.

#### 2009 EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN

- 1. **Purposes of the Plan**. The purposes of this NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Equity Compensation Plan (the "<u>Plan</u>") are: to attract and retain the best available personnel for positions of substantial responsibility, to provide additional incentives to Employees, Directors and Consultants, and to promote the success of the Company and any Parent or Subsidiary. Options granted under the Plan may be Incentive Stock Options or Nonstatutory Stock Options, as determined by the Administrator at the time of grant. Stock Awards, Unrestricted Shares and Stock Appreciation Rights may also be granted under the Plan.<sup>1</sup>
  - 2. **Definitions**. As used herein, the following definitions shall apply:
- "<u>Administrator</u>" means a Committee which has been delegated the responsibility of administering the Plan in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan or, if there is no such Committee, the Board.
- "Applicable Laws" means the requirements relating to the administration of equity compensation plans under the applicable corporate and securities laws of any of the states in the United States, U.S. federal securities laws, the Code, any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted and the applicable laws of any foreign country or jurisdiction where Awards are, or will be, granted under the Plan.
  - "Award" means an Option, a Stock Award, a Stock Appreciation Right and/or the grant of Unrestricted Shares.
  - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Cause", with respect to any Service Provider, means (unless otherwise determined by the Administrator) such Service Provider's (i) conviction of, or plea of nolo contendere to, a felony or crime involving moral turpitude; (ii) fraud on or misappropriation of any funds or property of the Company; (iii) personal dishonesty, willful misconduct, willful violation of any law, rule or regulation (other than minor traffic violations or similar offenses) or breach of fiduciary duty which involves personal profit; (iv) willful misconduct in connection with the Service Provider's duties; (v) chronic use of alcohol, drugs or other similar substances which affects the Service Provider's work performance; or (vi) material breach of any provision of any employment, non-disclosure, non-competition, non-solicitation or other similar agreement executed by the Service Provider for the benefit of the Company, all as reasonably determined by the Committee, which determination will be conclusive. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Service Provider and the Company (or any of its Affiliates) have entered into an employment agreement, consulting agreement, advisory agreement or other similar agreement that specifically defines "cause," then with respect to such Service Provider, "Cause" shall have the meaning defined in that employment agreement, consulting agreement, advisory agreement or other agreement.
  - "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
  - "Committee" means a committee of Directors appointed by the Board in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan.
  - "Common Stock" means the common stock, par value \$.001 per share, of the Company.
- By action of the Administrator on December 15, 2010, all options granted to consultants shall carry a term of three years unless otherwise expressly provided in the applicable Grant Agreement.

"Company" means Neostem, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Consultant" means any person, including an advisor, engaged by the Company or a Parent or Subsidiary to render services to such entity, other than an Employee or a Director.

"Director" means a member of the Board.

"Disability" means total and permanent disability as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

"Employee" means any person, including officers and Directors, serving as an employee of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary. An individual shall not cease to be an Employee in the case of (i) any leave of absence approved by the Company or (ii) transfers between locations of the Company or between the Company, its Parent, any Subsidiary or any successor. For purposes of an Option initially granted as an Incentive Stock Option, if a leave of absence of more than three months precludes such Option from being treated as an Incentive Stock Option under the Code, such Option thereafter shall be treated as a Nonstatutory Stock Option for purposes of this Plan. Neither service as a Director nor payment of a director's fee by the Company shall be sufficient to constitute "employment" by the Company.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:

- (i) if the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange or a national market system, including without limitation the NYSE Amex, Nasdaq National Market or The Nasdaq SmallCap Market of The Nasdaq Stock Market, or any successor to any of them, the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock shall be the closing sales price of a Share of Common Stock as quoted on such exchange or system for such date (or the most recent trading day preceding such date if there were no trades on such date), as reported in <a href="The Wall Street">The Wall Street</a> Journal or such other source as the Committee deems reliable, including without limitation, Yahoo! Finance;
- (ii) if the Common Stock is regularly quoted by a recognized securities dealer but is not listed in the manner contemplated by clause (i) above, the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock shall be the mean between the high bid and low asked prices for the Common Stock for such date (or the most recent trading day preceding such date if there were no trades on such date), as reported in <a href="The Wall Street Journal">The Wall Street Journal</a> or such other source as the Committee deems reliable, including without limitation Yahoo! Finance; or
- (iii) if neither clause (i) above nor clause (ii) above applies, the Fair Market Value shall be determined in good faith by the Administrator based on the reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method.

"Grant Agreement" means an agreement between the Company and a Participant evidencing the terms and conditions of an individual Option or Stock Appreciation Right grant. Each Grant Agreement shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

- "Incentive Stock Option" means an Option intended to qualify as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
  - "Nonstatutory Stock Option" means an Option not intended to qualify as an Incentive Stock Option.
- "Notice of Grant" means a written or electronic notice evidencing certain terms and conditions of an individual Option grant, Stock Award grant or grant of Unrestricted Shares or Stock Appreciation Rights. The Notice of Grant applicable to Stock Options or Stock Appreciation Rights shall be part of the Grant Agreement.
  - "Option" means a stock option granted pursuant to the Plan.
  - "Optioned Stock" means the Common Stock subject to an Option.
  - "Optionee" means the holder of an outstanding Option granted under the Plan.
- "<u>Parent</u>" means a "parent corporation" of the Company (or, for purposes of Section 16(b) of the Plan, a successor to the Company), whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.
- "Participant" shall mean any Service Provider who holds an Option, Restricted Stock, a Stock Award, Unrestricted Shares or a Stock Appreciation Right granted or issued pursuant to the Plan.
- "Rule 16b-3" means Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act or any successor to such Rule 16b-3, as such rule is in effect when discretion is being exercised with respect to the Plan.
  - "Section 16(b)" means Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act.
  - "Service Provider" means an Employee, Director or Consultant.
  - "Share" means a share of the Common Stock, as adjusted in accordance with Section 16 of the Plan.
  - "Stock Appreciation Right" means a right awarded pursuant to Section 14 of the Plan.
- "Stock Award" means an Award of Shares pursuant to Section 11 of the Plan or an award of Restricted Stock Units pursuant to Section 12 of the Plan.
  - "Stock Award Agreement" means an agreement, approved by the Administrator, providing the terms and conditions of a Stock Award.
  - "Stock Award Shares" means Shares subject to a Stock Award.
  - "Stock Awardee" means the holder of an outstanding Stock Award granted under the Plan.
- "Subsidiary" means a "subsidiary corporation" of the Company (or, for purposes of Section 16(b) of the Plan, a successor to the Company), whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.

"Unrestricted Shares" means a grant of Shares made on an unrestricted basis pursuant to Section 13 of the Plan.

3. **Stock Subject to the Plan**. Subject to the provisions of Section 16(a) of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be issued under the Plan is 23,750,000 Shares, all of which may be issued in respect of Incentive Stock Options. The Shares may be authorized but unissued, or reacquired, shares of Common Stock. The maximum number of Shares subject to Options and Stock Appreciation Rights which may be issued to any Participant under the Plan during any calendar year is 1,900,000 Shares. If an Option or Stock Appreciation Right expires or becomes unexercisable without having been exercised in full or is canceled or terminated, or if any Shares of Restricted Stock or Shares underlying a Stock Award are forfeited or reacquired by the Company, the Shares that were subject thereto shall be added back to the Shares available for issuance under the Plan. The Company, during the term of this Plan, will at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the Plan.

## 4. Administration of the Plan.

- (a) Appointment. The Plan shall be administered by a Committee to be appointed by the Board, which Committee shall consist of not less than two members of the Board and shall be comprised solely of members of the Board who qualify as both non-employee directors as defined in Rule 16b-3(b)(3) of the Exchange Act and outside directors within the meaning of Department of Treasury Regulations issued under Section 162(m) of the Code. The Board shall have the power to add or remove members of the Committee, from time to time, and to fill vacancies thereon arising; by resignation, death, removal, or otherwise. Meetings shall be held at such times and places as shall be determined by the Committee. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the vote of a majority of those members present at any meeting shall decide any question brought before that meeting.
  - (b) *Powers of the Administrator*. The Administrator shall have the authority, in its discretion:
    - (i) to determine the Fair Market Value of Shares;
  - (ii) to select the Service Providers to whom Options, Stock Awards, Unrestricted Shares and/or Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted hereunder;
    - (iii) to determine the number of shares of Common Stock to be covered by each Award granted hereunder;
    - (iv) to approve forms of agreement for use under the Plan;
  - (v) to determine the terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan or of any Award granted hereunder. Such terms and conditions include, but are not limited to, the exercise price, the time or times when Options and Stock Appreciation Rights may be exercised (which may be based on performance criteria), any vesting, acceleration or waiver of forfeiture provisions, and any restriction or limitation regarding any Option, Stock Appreciation Right or Stock Award, or the Shares of Common Stock relating thereto, based in each case on such factors as the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine;

- (vi) to construe and interpret the terms of the Plan, Awards granted pursuant to the Plan and agreements entered into pursuant to the Plan;
- (vii) to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan, including rules and regulations relating to subplans established for the purpose of qualifying for preferred tax treatment under foreign tax laws;
- (viii) to modify or amend each Award (subject to Section 19(c) of the Plan), including the discretionary authority to extend, subject to the terms of the Plan, the post-termination exercisability period of Options or Stock Appreciation Rights longer than is otherwise provided for in a Grant Agreement and to accelerate the time at which any outstanding Option or Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised;
- (ix) to allow grantees to satisfy withholding tax obligations by having the Company withhold from the Shares to be issued upon exercise of an Option or Stock Appreciation Right, upon vesting of a Stock Award, or upon the grant of Unrestricted Shares that number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount required to be withheld, provided that withholding is calculated at the minimum statutory withholding level. The Fair Market Value of the Shares to be withheld shall be determined on the date that the amount of tax to be withheld is to be determined. All determinations to have Shares withheld for this purpose shall be made by the Administrator in its discretion;
  - (x) to reduce the exercise price of any Option or Stock Appreciation Right;
- (xi) to authorize any person to execute on behalf of the Company any agreement entered into pursuant to the Plan and any instrument required to effect the grant of an Award previously granted by the Administrator; and
  - (xii) to make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for administering the Plan.
- (c) Effect of Administrator's Decision. The Administrator's decisions, determinations and interpretations shall be final and binding on all holders of Awards and Restricted Stock. None of the Board, the Committee or the Administrator, nor any member or delegate thereof, shall be liable for any act, omission, interpretation, construction or determination made in good faith in connection with the Plan, and each of the foregoing shall be entitled in all cases to indemnification and reimbursement by the Company in respect of any claim, loss, damage or expense (including without limitation reasonable attorneys' fees) arising or resulting therefrom to the fullest extent permitted by law and/or under any directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage which may be in effect from time to time.
- (d) Delegation of Grant Authority. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Plan, the Board may authorize the Company's Chief Executive Officer or another executive officer of the Company or a committee of such officers ("Authorized Officers") to grant Options under the Plan; provided, however, that in no event shall the Authorized Officers be permitted to grant Options to (i) any Director, (ii) any person who is identified by the Company as an executive officer of the Company or who is subject to the restrictions imposed under Section 16 of the Exchange Act, (iii) any person who is not an employee of the Company or any Subsidiary, or (iv) such other person or persons as may be designated from time to time by the Board. If such authority is provided by the Board, the Board shall establish and adopt written guidelines setting forth the maximum number of shares for which the Authorized Officers may grant Options to any individual during a specified period of time and such other terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate for such grants. Such guidelines may be amended by the Board prospectively at any time. Subject to the foregoing, the Authorized Officers shall have the same authority as the Administrator under this Section 4 with respect to the grant of Options under the Plan.

5. **Eligibility**. Nonstatutory Stock Options, Stock Awards, Unrestricted Shares and Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted to Service Providers. Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to Employees. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, an Award may be granted to a person who is not then a Service Provider; provided, however, that the grant of such Award shall be conditioned upon such person becoming a Service Provider at or prior to the time of the execution of the agreement evidencing such Award.

#### 6. Limitations.

- (a) Each Option shall be designated in the Grant Agreement as either an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonstatutory Stock Option. However, notwithstanding such designation, if a single Employee becomes eligible in any given year to exercise Incentive Stock Options for Shares having a Fair Market Value in excess of \$100,000, those Options representing the excess shall be treated as Nonstatutory Stock Options. In the previous sentence, "Incentive Stock Options" include Incentive Stock Options granted under any plan of the Company or any Parent or any Subsidiary. For the purpose of deciding which Options apply to Shares that "exceed" the \$100,000 limit, Incentive Stock Options shall be taken into account in the same order as granted. The Fair Market Value of the Shares shall be determined as of the time the Option with respect to such Shares is granted.
- (b) Neither the Plan nor any Award nor any agreement entered into pursuant to the Plan shall confer upon a Participant any right with respect to continuing the Participant's relationship as a Service Provider with the Company, nor shall they interfere in any way with the Participant's right or the Company's right to terminate such relationship at any time, with or without cause.
- 7. **Term of the Plan**. Subject to Section 22 of the Plan, the Plan shall become effective upon its adoption by the Board. It shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless terminated earlier under Section 19 of the Plan.
- 8. **Term of Options**. Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Grant Agreement, the term of each Option granted to anyone other than a Consultant shall be ten (10) years from the date of grant and the term of each Option granted to any Consultant shall be five (5) years from the date of grant. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, the term shall be ten (10) years from the date of grant or such shorter term as may be provided in the applicable Grant Agreement. However, in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to an Optionee who, at the time the Incentive Stock Option is granted, owns, directly or indirectly, stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary, the term of the Incentive Stock Option shall be five (5) years from the date of grant or such shorter term as may be provided in the applicable Grant Agreement.

## 9. **Option Exercise Price; Exercisability.**

- (a) *Exercise Price*. The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an Option shall be determined by the Administrator, subject to the following:
  - (i) In the case of an Incentive Stock Option

- (A) granted to an Employee who, at the time the Incentive Stock Option is granted, owns stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary, the per Share exercise price shall be no less than 110% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant, or
- (B) granted to any Employee other than an Employee described in paragraph (A) immediately above, the per Share exercise price shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.
- (ii) In the case of a Nonstatutory Stock Option, the per Share exercise price shall be determined by the Administrator; provided, however, that in the case of a Nonstatutory Stock Option intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, the per Share exercise price of a Nonstatutory Stock Option shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant, as determined by the Administrator in good faith.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Options may be granted with a per Share exercise price of less than 100% (or 110%, if clause (i)(A) above applies) of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant pursuant to a merger or other comparable corporate transaction.
- (b) *Exercise Period and Conditions*. At the time that an Option is granted, the Administrator shall fix the period within which the Option may be exercised and shall determine any conditions that must be satisfied before the Option may be exercised.
- Reload Options. The Administrator may grant Options with a reload feature. A reload feature shall only apply when the option price is paid by delivery of Common Stock (as set forth in Section 10(f)) or by having the Company reduce the number of shares otherwise issuable to an Optionee (as provided for in Section 10(f)) (a "Net Exercise"). The Grant Agreement for the Options containing the reload feature shall provide that the Option holder shall receive, contemporaneously with the payment of the exercise price in shares of Common Stock or in the event of a Net Exercise, a reload stock option (the "Reload Option") to purchase that number of shares of Common Stock equal to the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock used to exercise the Option (or not issued in the case of a Net Exercise), and (ii) with respect to Nonstatutory Stock Options, the number of shares of Common Stock used to satisfy any tax withholding requirement incident to the exercise of such Nonstatutory Stock Option. The terms of the Plan applicable to the Option shall be equally applicable to the Reload Option with the following exceptions: (i) the exercise price per share of Common Stock deliverable upon the exercise of the Reload Option, (A) in the case of a Reload Option which is an Incentive Stock Option being granted to a 10% Stockholder, shall be one hundred ten percent (110%) of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant of the Reload Option, and (B) in the case of a Reload Option which is an Incentive Stock Option being granted to a person other than a 10% Stockholder or is a Nonstatutory Stock Option, shall be the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Reload Option; and (ii) the term of the Reload Option shall be equal to the remaining option term of the Option (including a Reload Option) which gave rise to the Reload Option. The Reload Option shall be evidenced by an appropriate amendment to the Grant Agreement for the Option which gave rise to the Reload Option. In the event the exercis

#### 10. Exercise of Options; Consideration.

- (a) Procedure for Exercise; Rights as a Shareholder. Any Option granted hereunder shall be exercisable according to the terms of the Plan and at such times and under such conditions as determined by the Administrator and set forth in the Grant Agreement. Unless the Administrator provides otherwise, vesting of Options granted hereunder shall be tolled during any unpaid leave of absence. An Option may not be exercised for a fraction of a Share. An Option shall be deemed exercised when the Company receives: (i) written or electronic notice of exercise (in accordance with the Grant Agreement) from the person entitled to exercise the Option, and (ii) full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Option is exercised. Full payment may consist of any consideration and method of payment authorized by the Administrator and permitted by the Grant Agreement and Section 10(f) of the Plan. Shares issued upon exercise of an Option shall be issued in the name of the Optionee. Until the Shares are issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a shareholder shall exist with respect to the Optioned Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Option. The Company shall issue (or cause to be issued) such Shares promptly after the Option is exercised. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the Shares are issued, except as provided in Section 16 of the Plan. Exercising an Option in any manner shall decrease the number of Shares thereafter available, both for purposes of the Plan and for sale under the Option, by the number of Shares as to which the Option is exercised.
- (b) *Termination of Relationship as a Service Provider.* Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement or provided by the Administrator, if an Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, other than as a result of (x) the Optionee's death or Disability, or (y) termination of such Optionee's employment or relationship with the Company with Cause, or (z) the Optionee's voluntary termination of employment other than as a result of retirement, the Optionee may exercise his or her Option for up to ninety (90) days following the date on which the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider to the extent that the Option is vested on the date of termination (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Grant Agreement). If, on the date that the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. If, after the date that the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider the Optionee does not exercise his or her Option in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Option shall terminate, and the Shares covered by such unexercised portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. An Optionee who changes his or her status as a Service Provider (e.g., from being an Employee to being a Consultant) shall not be deemed to have ceased being a Service Provider for purposes of this Section 10(b), nor shall a transfer of employment among the Company and any Subsidiary be considered a termination of employment; however, if an Optionee holding Incentive Stock Options ceases being an Employee but continues as a Service Provider, such Incentive Stock Options shall be deemed to be Nonstatutory Stock Options three months after the date of such cessation.
- Disability of an Optionee. Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement, if an Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider as a result of the Optionee's Disability, the Optionee may exercise his or her Option, to the extent the Option is vested on the date that the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, up until the one-year anniversary of the date on which the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Grant Agreement). If, on the date that the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. If, after the Optionee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Optionee does not exercise his or her Option in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan.

- (d) Death of an Optionee. Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement, if an Optionee dies while a Service Provider, the Option may be exercised, to the extent that the Option is vested on the date of death, by the Optionee's estate or by a person who acquires the right to exercise the Option by bequest or inheritance up until the one-year anniversary of the Optionee's death (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Option as set forth in the Notice of Grant). If, at the time of death, the Optionee is not vested as to his or her entire Option, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Option shall revert to the Plan. If the Option is not so exercised in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Option shall terminate, and the Shares covered by the unexercised portion of such Option shall revert to the Plan.
- (e) *Termination for Cause or Voluntary Termination.* If a Service Provider's relationship with the Company is terminated for Cause, or if a Service Provider voluntarily terminates his or her relationship with the Company other than as a result of retirement, then, unless otherwise provided in such Service Provider's Grant Agreement or by the Administrator, such Service Provider shall have no right to exercise any of such Service Provider's Options at any time on or after the effective date of such termination.
- (f) Form of Consideration. The Administrator shall determine the acceptable form of consideration for exercising an Option, including the method of payment. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, the Administrator shall determine the acceptable form of consideration at the time of grant. Such consideration may consist entirely of:
  - (i) cash;
  - (ii) check;
  - (iii) other Shares which (A) in the case of Shares acquired upon exercise of an option at a time when the Company is subject to Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, have been owned by the Optionee for more than six months on the date of surrender, and (B) have a Fair Market Value on the date of surrender equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares as to which said Option shall be exercised:
  - (iv) consideration received by the Company under a cashless exercise program implemented by the Company in connection with the Plan;
  - (v) a reduction in the number of Shares otherwise issuable by a number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the exercise price of the Option being exercised;
    - (vi) any combination of the foregoing methods of payment; or
    - (vii) such other consideration and method of payment for the issuance of Shares to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws.
- 11. **Stock Awards**. The Administrator may, in its sole discretion, grant (or sell at par value or such higher purchase price as it determines) Shares to any Service Provider subject to such terms and conditions as the Administrator sets forth in a Stock Award Agreement evidencing such grant. Stock Awards may be granted or sold in respect of past services or other valid consideration or in lieu of any cash compensation otherwise payable to such individual. The grant of Stock Awards under this Section 11 shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (a) At the time a Stock Award under this Section 11 is made, the Administrator shall establish a vesting period (the "Restricted Period") applicable to the Stock Award Shares subject to such Stock Award. The Administrator may, in its sole discretion, at the time a grant is made, prescribe restrictions in addition to the expiration of the Restricted Period, including the satisfaction of corporate or individual performance objectives. None of the Stock Award Shares may be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered or disposed of during the Restricted Period applicable to such Stock Award Shares or prior to the satisfaction of any other restrictions prescribed by the Administrator with respect to such Stock Award Shares.
- (b) The Company shall issue, in the name of each Service Provider to whom Stock Award Shares have been granted, stock certificates representing the total number of Stock Award Shares granted to such person, as soon as reasonably practicable after the grant. The Company, at the direction of the Administrator, shall hold such certificates, properly endorsed for transfer, for the Stock Awardee's benefit until such time as the Stock Award Shares are forfeited to the Company, or the restrictions lapse.
- (c) Unless otherwise provided by the Administrator, holders of Stock Award Shares shall have the right to vote such Shares and have the right to receive any cash dividends with respect to such Shares. All distributions, if any, received by a Stock Awardee with respect to Stock Award Shares as a result of any stock split, stock distribution, combination of shares, or other similar transaction shall be subject to the restrictions of this Section 11.
- (d) Any Stock Award Shares granted to a Service Provider pursuant to the Plan shall be forfeited if the Stock Awardee voluntarily terminates employment with the Company or its subsidiaries or resigns or voluntarily terminates his consultancy or advisory arrangement or directorship with the Company or its subsidiaries, or if the Stock Awardee's employment or the consultant's or advisor's consultancy or advisory arrangement or directorship is terminated for Cause, in each case prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions applicable to such Stock Award Shares. Upon such forfeiture, the Stock Award Shares that are forfeited shall be retained in the treasury of the Company and be available for subsequent awards under the Plan. If the Stock Awardee's employment, consultancy or advisory arrangement or directorship terminates for any other reason prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions applicable to such Stock Award Shares, the Stock Award Shares held by such person shall be forfeited, unless the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine otherwise.
- (e) Upon the expiration or termination of the Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions prescribed by the Committee, the restrictions applicable to the Stock Award Shares shall lapse and, at the Stock Awardee's request, a stock certificate for the number of Stock Award Shares with respect to which the restrictions have lapsed shall be delivered, free of all such restrictions, to the Stock Awardee or his beneficiary or estate, as the case may be.
- (f) Prior to the delivery of any shares of Common Stock in connection with a Stock Award under this Section 11, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of federal and state income tax and other withholding obligations of the Company, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of shares of Common Stock otherwise deliverable in connection with a Stock Award, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.

12. **Restricted Stock Units**. The Committee may, in its sole discretion, grant Restricted Stock Units to a Service Provider subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee sets forth in a Stock Award Agreement evidencing such grant. "Restricted Stock Units" are Awards denominated in units evidencing the right to receive Shares of Common Stock, which may vest over such period of time and/or upon satisfaction of such performance criteria or objectives as is determined by the Committee at the time of grant and set forth in the applicable Stock Award Agreement, without payment of any amounts by the Stock Awardee thereof (except to the extent required by law). Prior to delivery of shares of Common Stock with respect to an award of Restricted Stock Units, the Stock Awardee shall have no rights as a stockholder of the Company.

Upon satisfaction and/or achievement of the applicable vesting requirements relating to an award of Restricted Stock Units, the Stock Awardee shall be entitled to receive a number of shares of Common Stock that are equal to the number of Restricted Stock Units that became vested. To the extent, if any, set forth in the applicable Stock Award Agreement, cash dividend equivalents may be paid during, or may be accumulated and paid at the end of, the applicable vesting period, as determined by the Committee.

Unless otherwise provided by the Stock Award Agreement, any Restricted Stock Units granted to a Service Provider pursuant to the Plan shall be forfeited if the Stock Awardee's employment or service with the Company or its Subsidiaries terminates for any reason prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable vesting period and/or the achievement of such other vesting conditions applicable to the award.

Prior to the delivery of any shares of Common Stock in connection with an award of Restricted Stock Units, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of federal and state income tax and other withholding obligations of the Company, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of shares of Common Stock otherwise deliverable in connection with an award of Restricted Stock Units, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.

- 13. **Unrestricted Shares**. The Administrator may grant Unrestricted Shares in accordance with the following provisions:
- (a) The Administrator may cause the Company to grant Unrestricted Shares to Service Providers at such time or times, in such amounts and for such reasons as the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine. No payment shall be required for Unrestricted Shares.
- (b) The Company shall issue, in the name of each Service Provider to whom Unrestricted Shares have been granted, stock certificates representing the total number of Unrestricted Shares granted to such individual, and shall deliver such certificates to such Service Provider as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of grant or on such later date as the Administrator shall determine at the time of grant.
- (c) Prior to the delivery of any Unrestricted Shares, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of federal and state income tax and other withholding obligations of the Company, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of Unrestricted Shares otherwise deliverable, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.

- 14. **Stock Appreciation Rights.** A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted by the Committee either alone, in addition to, or in tandem with other Awards granted under the Plan. Each Stock Appreciation Right granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - (a) Each Stock Appreciation Right shall relate to such number of Shares as shall be determined by the Committee.
- (b) The Award Date (*i.e.*, the date of grant) of a Stock Appreciation Right shall be the date specified by the Committee, provided that that date shall not be before the date on which the Stock Appreciation Right is actually granted. The Award Date of a Stock Appreciation Right shall not be prior to the date on which the recipient commences providing services as a Service Provider. The term of each Stock Appreciation Right shall be determined by the Committee, but shall not exceed ten years from the date of grant. Each Stock Appreciation Right shall become exercisable at such time or times and in such amount or amounts during its term as shall be determined by the Committee. Unless otherwise specified by the Committee, once a Stock Appreciation Right becomes exercisable, whether in full or in part, it shall remain so exercisable until its expiration, forfeiture, termination or cancellation.
- (c) A Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised, in whole or in part, by giving written notice to the Committee. As soon as practicable after receipt of the written notice, the Company shall deliver to the person exercising the Stock Appreciation Right stock certificates for the Shares to which that person is entitled under Section 14(d) hereof.
- (d) A Stock Appreciation Right shall be exercisable for Shares only. The number of Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Stock Appreciation Right shall be determined by dividing:
  - (i) the number of Shares for which the Stock Appreciation Right is exercised multiplied by the amount of the appreciation per Share (for this purpose, the "appreciation per Share" shall be the amount by which the Fair Market Value of a Share on the exercise date exceeds (x) in the case of a Stock Appreciation Right granted in tandem with an Option, the exercise price or (y) in the case of a Stock Appreciation Right granted alone without reference to an Option, the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Award Date of the Stock Appreciation Right); by
    - (ii) the Fair Market Value of a Share on the exercise date.
- Non-Transferability. Unless determined otherwise by the Administrator, an Option or Stock Appreciation Right may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised, during the lifetime of the Optionee, only by the Optionee. If the Administrator makes an Option or Stock Appreciation Right transferable, such Option or Stock Appreciation Right shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Administrator deems appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator, in its sole discretion, may provide in the Grant Agreement regarding a given Option that the Optionee may transfer, without consideration for the transfer, his or her Nonstatutory Stock Options to members of his or her immediate family, to trusts for the benefit of such family members, or to partnerships in which such family members are the only partners, provided that the transferee agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Plan and the applicable Option. During the period when Shares of Restricted Stock and Stock Award Shares are restricted (by virtue of vesting schedules or otherwise), such Shares may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution.

#### 16. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Merger or Asset Sale.

- Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the shareholders of the Company, the number of Shares of Common Stock covered by each outstanding Option, Stock Appreciation Right and Stock Award, the number of Shares of Restricted Stock outstanding and the number of Shares of Common Stock which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but as to which no Options, Stock Appreciation Rights or Stock Awards have yet been granted or which have been returned to the Plan upon cancellation or expiration of an Option, Stock Appreciation Right or Stock Award, as well as the price per share of Common Stock covered by each such outstanding Option or Stock Appreciation Right, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Company Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Administrator, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares of Common Stock subject to an Award hereunder. Except as expressly provided herein, the issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, for cash or property, or for labor or services either upon direct sale or upon the exercise of rights or warrants to subscribe therefor, or upon conversion of shares or obligations of the Company convertible into sub-shares or other securities, shall not affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares of Common Stock then subject to ou
- (b) Corporate Transactions. If the Company merges or consolidates with another corporation, whether or not the Company is the surviving corporation, or if the Company is liquidated or sells or otherwise disposes of substantially all its assets, or if any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing greater than 50% of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities (each such event a "Corporate Transaction Event") then (i) after the effective date of such Corporate Transaction Event, each holder of an outstanding Option or Stock Appreciation Right to receive, in lieu of Shares of Common Stock, the number and class or classes of shares of such stock or other securities or property to which such holder would have been entitled if, immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction Event, such holder had been the holder of record of a number of Shares of Common Stock equal to the number of shares as to which such Option and Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised; and (ii) the Board may waive any limitations set forth in or imposed pursuant hereto so that all Options and Stock Appreciation Rights from and after a date prior to the effective date of such Corporate Transaction Event, as specified by the Board, shall be exercisable in full. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the proposed transaction between the Company and China Biopharmaceutical Holdings, Inc. shall not constitute a Corporate Transaction Event.

In the event of a Corporate Transaction Event, then each outstanding Stock Award shall be assumed or an equivalent agreement or award substituted by the successor corporation or a Parent or Subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the Committee determines that the successor corporation or a Parent or a Subsidiary of the successor corporation has refused to assume or substitute an equivalent agreement or award for each outstanding Stock Award, all vesting periods and conditions under Stock Awards shall be deemed to have been satisfied. The Board may also, in its discretion, cause all vesting periods and conditions under Stock Awards to be deemed to have been satisfied.

- Substitute Options. In the event that the Company, directly or indirectly, acquires another entity, the Board may authorize the issuance of stock options ("Substitute Options") to the individuals performing services for the acquired entity in substitution of stock options previously granted to those individuals in connection with their performance of services for such entity upon such terms and conditions as the Board shall determine, taking into account the conditions of Code Section 424(a), as from time to time amended or superseded, in the case of a Substitute Option that is intended to be an Incentive Stock Option. Shares of capital stock underlying Substitute Stock Options shall not constitute Shares issued pursuant to the Plan for any purpose.
- 18. **Date of Grant**. The date of grant of an Option, Stock Appreciation Right, Stock Award or Unrestricted Share shall be, for all purposes, the date on which the Administrator makes the determination granting such Option, Stock Appreciation Right, Stock Award or Unrestricted Share, or such other later date as is determined by the Administrator. Notice of the determination shall be provided to each grantee within a reasonable time after the date of such grant.

#### 19. Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

- (a) Amendment and Termination. The Board may at any time amend, alter, suspend or terminate the Plan.
- (b) Shareholder Approval. The Company shall obtain shareholder approval of any Plan amendment to the extent necessary to comply with Applicable Laws.
- (c) Effect of Amendment or Termination. No amendment, alteration, suspension or termination of the Plan shall impair the rights of any grantee, unless mutually agreed otherwise between the grantee and the Administrator, which agreement must be in writing and signed by the grantee and the Company. Termination of the Plan shall not affect the Administrator's ability to exercise the powers granted to it hereunder with respect to Awards granted under the Plan prior to the date of such termination.

# 20. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.

- (a) Legal Compliance. Shares shall not be issued in connection with the grant of any Stock Award or Unrestricted Share or the exercise of any Option or Stock Appreciation Right unless such grant or the exercise of such Option or Stock Appreciation Right and the issuance and delivery of such Shares shall comply with Applicable Laws and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.
- (b) *Investment Representations*. As a condition to the grant of any Stock Award or Unrestricted Share or the exercise of any Option or Stock Appreciation Right, the Company may require the person receiving such Award or exercising such Option or Stock Appreciation Right to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise or grant that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required.

- (c) *Additional Conditions*. The Administrator shall have the authority to condition the grant of any Award in such other manner that the Administrator determines to be appropriate, provided that such condition is not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.
- (d) *Trading Policy Restrictions*. Option and or Stock Appreciation Right exercises and other Awards under the Plan shall be subject to the terms and conditions of any insider trading policy established by the Company or the Administrator.
- 21. **Inability to Obtain Authority**. The inability of the Company to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which authority is deemed by the Company's counsel to be necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder, shall relieve the Company of any liability in respect of the failure to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority shall not have been obtained.
- 22. **Shareholder Approval**. The Plan shall be subject to approval by the shareholders of the Company within twelve (12) months after the date the Plan is adopted. Such shareholder approval shall be obtained in the manner and to the degree required under Applicable Laws. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, any exercise of an Option or Stock Appreciation Right granted before the Company has obtained shareholder approval of the Plan in accordance with this Section 22 shall be conditioned upon obtaining such shareholder approval of the Plan in accordance with this Section 22.
- 23. **Withholding; Notice of Sale**. The Company shall be entitled to withhold from any amounts payable to an Employee or other Service Provider any amounts which the Company determines, in its discretion, are required to be withheld under any Applicable Law as a result of any action taken by a holder of an Award.
  - 24. **Governing Law**. This Plan shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to conflict of law principles.

#### NEOSTEM, INC.

#### 2009 NON-U.S. BASED EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN

- 1. **Purposes of the Plan.** The purposes of this NeoStem, Inc. 2009 Non-U.S. Based Equity Compensation Plan (the "<u>Plan</u>") are to provide additional incentives to Service Providers providing services outside of the United States, and to promote the success of the Company and its Subsidiaries abroad. Warrants, Stock Awards, Unrestricted Shares and Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted under the Plan.<sup>1</sup>
  - 2. **Definitions.** As used herein, the following definitions shall apply:
- "<u>Administrator</u>" means a Committee which has been delegated the responsibility of administering the Plan in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan or, if there is no such Committee, the Board.
- "Applicable Laws" means the requirements relating to the administration of equity compensation plans under the applicable laws, rules and regulations of: (i) any foreign country or jurisdiction where Awards are, or will be, granted under the Plan; (ii) the United States; and (iii) any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted.
  - "Award" means a Warrant, a Stock Award, a Stock Appreciation Right and/or the grant of Unrestricted Shares.
  - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Cause", with respect to any Service Provider, means (unless otherwise determined by the Administrator): (i) if the Service Provider is party to a written agreement with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, which agreement includes a definition of "Cause" or words having similar import, the meaning set forth in the Service Provider's written agreement; or (ii) if the Service Provider is not a party to a written agreement with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries (A) the commission of a crime under the Applicable Laws of the jurisdiction in which the Service Provider is providing services; (B) fraud on or misappropriation of any funds or property of the Company; (C) personal dishonesty, willful misconduct or breach of fiduciary duty which involves personal profit; (D) willful misconduct in connection with the Service Provider's duties; (E) chronic use of alcohol, drugs or other similar substances which affects the Service Provider's work performance; or (F) material breach of any provision of any employment, non-disclosure, non-competition, non-solicitation or other similar agreement executed by the Service Provider for the benefit of the Company, all as reasonably determined by the Committee, which determination will be conclusive.
  - " $\underline{Code}$ " means the Internal Revenue Code of the United States and its interpretive regulations.
  - "Committee" means a committee of Directors appointed by the Board in accordance with Section 4 of the Plan.
  - "Common Stock" means the common stock, par value \$.001 per share, of the Company.
  - "Company" means NeoStem, Inc., a Delaware corporation.
- By action of the Administrator on December 15, 2010, all options granted to consultants shall carry a term of three years unless otherwise expressly provided in the applicable Grant Agreement.

"Consultant" means a natural person providing bona fide services to the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, or a natural person providing such services through a wholly-owned corporate alter-ego; provided, that, such services are not in connection with the offer or sale of securities in a capital-raising transaction, and do not directly or indirectly promote or maintain a market for the Company's stock.

"<u>Disability</u>" means (i) if the Service Provider is party to a written agreement with the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, which agreement includes a definition of "Disability" or words having similar import, the meaning set forth in the Service Provider's written agreement; and (ii) if the Service Provider is not a party to a written agreement, the Service Provider's inability to perform the essential functions of his or her position for a period of 90 consecutive days or, 180 days within any one year period as a result of an injury or illness.

"Employee" means any employee of the Company or of a Subsidiary (including, without limitation, an employee who is also serving as an officer or director of the Company or of a Subsidiary).

"Exchange Act" means the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:

- (i) if the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange or a national market system, including without limitation the NYSE Amex, Nasdaq National Market or The Nasdaq SmallCap Market of The Nasdaq Stock Market, or any successor to any of them, the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock shall be the closing sales price of a Share of Common Stock as quoted on such exchange or system for such date (or the most recent trading day preceding such date if there were no trades on such date), as reported in <a href="The Wall Street Journal">The Wall Street Journal</a> or such other source as the Committee deems reliable, including without limitation, Yahoo! Finance;
- (ii) if the Common Stock is regularly quoted by a recognized securities dealer but is not listed in the manner contemplated by clause (i) above, the Fair Market Value of a Share of Common Stock shall be the mean between the high bid and low asked prices for the Common Stock for such date (or the most recent trading day preceding such date if there were no trades on such date), as reported in <a href="The Wall Street">The Wall Street</a> Journal or such other source as the Committee deems reliable, including without limitation Yahoo! Finance; or
- (iii) if neither clause (i) above nor clause (ii) above applies, the Fair Market Value shall be determined in good faith by the Administrator based on the reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method.

"Grant Agreement" means an agreement between the Company and a Participant evidencing the terms and conditions of an Award. Each Grant Agreement shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

"Notice of Grant" means a written or electronic notice evidencing certain terms and conditions of an Award. The Notice of Grant applicable to Warrant or Stock Appreciation Rights shall be part of the Grant Agreement.

- "Parent" means a "parent corporation" of the Company (or, for purposes of Section 16(b) of the Plan, a successor to the Company), whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.
  - "Participant" shall mean any Service Provider who is granted an Award under the Plan.
- "Person" shall be construed broadly and shall include, without limitation, an individual, a partnership, a limited liability company, a corporation, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization and a governmental entity or any department, agency or political subdivision thereof.
- "Rule 16b-3" means Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act or any successor to such Rule 16b-3, as such rule is in effect when discretion is being exercised with respect to the Plan.
  - "Section 16(b)" means Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act.
  - "Service Provider" means an Employee or Consultant providing services outside the United States to the Company or to one of its Subsidiaries.
  - "Share" means a share of the Common Stock, as adjusted in accordance with Section 16 of the Plan.
  - "Stock Appreciation Right" means a right awarded pursuant to Section 14 of the Plan.
- "Stock Award" means an Award of Shares pursuant to Section 11 of the Plan or an award of Restricted Stock Units pursuant to Section 12 of the Plan.
  - "Stock Award Agreement" means an agreement, approved by the Administrator, providing the terms and conditions of a Stock Award.
  - "Stock Award Shares" means Shares subject to a Stock Award.
  - "Stock Awardee" means the holder of an outstanding Stock Award granted under the Plan.
- "Subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity of which the Company owns securities or interests having a majority, directly or indirectly, of the ordinary voting power in electing the board of directors, managers, general partners or similar governing Persons thereof.
  - "Unrestricted Shares" means a grant of Shares made on an unrestricted basis pursuant to Section 13 of the Plan.
  - "Warrant" means a stock warrant granted pursuant to the Plan.
  - "Warranted Stock" means the Common Stock subject to a Warrant.
  - "Warrantee" means the holder of an outstanding Warrant granted under the Plan.
- 3. **Stock Subject to the Plan.** Subject to the provisions of Section 16(a) of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be issued under the Plan is 5,700,000 Shares. The Shares may be authorized but unissued, or reacquired, shares of Common Stock. If a Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right expires or becomes unexercisable without having been exercised in full or is canceled or terminated, or if any Shares of Restricted Stock or Shares underlying a Stock Award are forfeited or reacquired by the Company, the Shares that were subject thereto shall be added back to the Shares available for issuance under the Plan. The Company, during the term of this Plan, will at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the Plan.

#### 4. Administration of the Plan.

- (a) Appointment. The Plan shall be administered by a Committee to be appointed by the Board, which Committee shall consist of not less than two members of the Board. The Board shall have the power to add or remove members of the Committee, from time to time, and to fill vacancies thereon arising; by resignation, death, removal, or otherwise. Meetings shall be held at such times and places as shall be determined by the Committee. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the vote of a majority of those members present at any meeting shall decide any question brought before that meeting.
  - (b) Powers of the Administrator. The Administrator shall have the authority, in its discretion:
    - (i) to determine the Fair Market Value of Shares;
    - (ii) to select the Service Providers to whom Awards may be granted hereunder;
    - (iii) to determine the number of shares of Common Stock to be covered by each Award granted hereunder;
    - (iv) to approve forms of agreement for use under the Plan;
  - (v) to determine the terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan or of any Award granted hereunder. Such terms and conditions include, but are not limited to, the exercise price, the time or times when Warrants and Stock Appreciation Rights may be exercised (which may be based on performance criteria), any vesting, acceleration or waiver of forfeiture provisions, and any restriction or limitation regarding any Awards relating thereto, based in each case on such factors as the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine;
  - (vi) to construe and interpret the terms of the Plan, Awards granted pursuant to the Plan and agreements entered into pursuant to the Plan;
  - (vii) to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan, including rules and regulations relating to subplans established for the purpose of qualifying for preferred tax treatment under foreign tax laws;
  - (viii) to modify or amend each Award (subject to Section 19(c) of the Plan), including the discretionary authority to extend, subject to the terms of the Plan, the post-termination exercisability period of Warrant or Stock Appreciation Rights longer than is otherwise provided for in a Grant Agreement and to accelerate the time at which any outstanding Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised;
  - (ix) to allow grantees to satisfy withholding tax obligations by having the Company withhold from the Shares to be issued upon exercise of a Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right, upon vesting of a Stock Award, or upon the grant of Unrestricted Shares that number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount required to be withheld, provided that withholding is calculated at the minimum statutory withholding level. The Fair Market Value of the Shares to be withheld shall be determined on the date that the amount of tax to be withheld is to be determined. All determinations to have Shares withheld for this purpose shall be made by the Administrator in its discretion;

- (x) to reduce or increase the exercise price of any Award issued and outstanding under the Plan or all of the Awards issued and outstanding under the Plan;
- (xi) to authorize any person to execute on behalf of the Company any agreement entered into pursuant to the Plan and any instrument required to effect the grant of an Award previously granted by the Administrator;
- (xii) to modify or amend the Plan to comply with the laws of any foreign territory in which a Participant is providing services; and
  - (xiii) to make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for administering the Plan.
- (c) Effect of Administrator's Decision. The Administrator's decisions, determinations and interpretations shall be final and binding on all holders of Awards and Restricted Stock. None of the Board, the Committee or the Administrator, nor any member or delegate thereof, shall be liable for any act, omission, interpretation, construction or determination made in good faith in connection with the Plan, and each of the foregoing shall be entitled in all cases to indemnification and reimbursement by the Company in respect of any claim, loss, damage or expense (including without limitation reasonable attorneys' fees) arising or resulting therefrom to the fullest extent permitted by law and/or under any directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage which may be in effect from time to time.
- (d) Delegation of Grant Authority. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Plan, the Board may authorize the Company's Chief Executive Officer or another executive officer of the Company or a committee of such officers ("Authorized Officers") to grant Warrants under the Plan; provided, however, that in no event shall the Authorized Officers be permitted to grant Warrants to (i) any Director, (ii) any person who is identified by the Company as an executive officer of the Company or who is subject to the restrictions imposed under Section 16 of the Exchange Act, (iii) any person who is not an Employee of the Company, a Subsidiary, or (iv) such other person or persons as may be designated from time to time by the Board. If such authority is provided by the Board, the Board shall establish and adopt written guidelines setting forth the maximum number of shares for which the Authorized Officers may grant Warrants to any individual during a specified period of time and such other terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate for such grants. Such guidelines may be amended by the Board prospectively at any time. Subject to the foregoing, the Authorized Officers shall have the same authority as the Administrator under this Section 4 with respect to the grant of Warrants under the Plan.
- 5. **Eligibility.** Awards may only be granted to Service Providers providing services outside of the United States on the date of the grant of the Award. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, an Award may be granted to a person who is not then a Service Provider; provided, however, that the grant of such Award shall be conditioned upon such person becoming a Service Provider at or prior to the time of the execution of the agreement evidencing such Award.

- 6. **Limitations.** Neither the Plan nor any Award nor any agreement entered into pursuant to the Plan shall confer upon a Participant any right with respect to continuing the Participant's relationship as a Service Provider with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, nor shall they interfere in any way with the Participant's right or the right of the Company or the Subsidiary to terminate such relationship at any time, with or without cause.
- 7. **Term of the Plan.** Subject to Section 22 of the Plan, the Plan shall become effective upon its adoption by the Board. It shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless terminated earlier under Section 19 of the Plan.
- 8. **Term of Warrants.** Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Grant Agreement, the term of each Warrant granted to anyone who is an Employee of the Company, a Subsidiary shall be ten (10) years from the date of grant and the term of each Warrant granted to any Consultant shall be five (5) years from the date of grant.

### 9. Warrant Exercise Price; Exercisability.

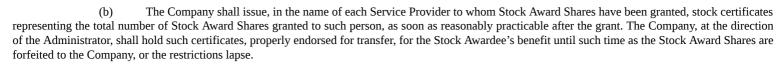
- (a) *Exercise Price*. The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of a Warrant shall be determined by the Administrator, provided that the exercise price shall be equal to or greater than the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on the date that the Award is granted. The exercise price shall be stated in U.S. dollars.
- (b) *Exercise Period and Conditions*. At the time that a Warrant is granted, the Administrator shall fix the period within which the Warrant may be exercised and shall determine any conditions that must be satisfied before the Warrant may be exercised.
- (c) Reload Warrants. The Administrator may grant Warrants with a reload feature. A reload feature shall only apply when the Warrant price is paid by delivery of Common Stock (as set forth in Section 10(f)) or by having the Company reduce the number of shares otherwise issuable to a Warrantee (as provided for in Section 10(f)) (a "Net Exercise"). The Grant Agreement for the Warrants containing the reload feature shall provide that the Warrant holder shall receive, contemporaneously with the payment of the exercise price in shares of Common Stock or in the event of a Net Exercise, a reload warrant (the "Reload Warrant") to purchase that number of shares of Common Stock equal to the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock used to exercise the Warrant (or not issued in the case of a Net Exercise), and (ii) the number of shares of Common Stock used to satisfy any tax withholding requirement incident to the exercise of such Warrant. The terms of the Plan applicable to the Warrant shall be equally applicable to the Reload Warrant with the following exceptions: (i) the exercise price per share of Common Stock deliverable upon the exercise of the Reload Warrant shall be the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant of the Reload Warrant; and (ii) the term of the Reload Warrant shall be equal to the remaining term of the Warrant (including a Reload Warrant) which gave rise to the Reload Warrant. The Reload Warrant shall be evidenced by an appropriate amendment to the Grant Agreement for the Warrant which gave rise to the Reload Warrant. In the event the exercise price of a Warrant containing a reload feature is paid by cash or check and not in shares of Common Stock, the reload feature shall have no application with respect to such exercise.

#### 10. Exercise of Warrants; Consideration.

- (a) Procedure for Exercise; Rights as a Shareholder. Any Warrant granted hereunder shall be exercisable according to the terms of the Plan and at such times and under such conditions as determined by the Administrator and set forth in the Grant Agreement. Unless the Administrator provides otherwise, vesting of Warrants granted hereunder shall be tolled during any unpaid leave of absence. A Warrant may not be exercised for a fraction of a Share. A Warrant shall be deemed exercised when the Company receives: (i) written or electronic notice of exercise (in accordance with the Grant Agreement) from the person entitled to exercise the Warrant, and (ii) full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Warrant is exercised. Full payment may consist of any consideration and method of payment authorized by the Administrator and permitted by the Grant Agreement and Section 10(f) of the Plan. Shares issued upon exercise of a Warrant shall be issued in the name of the Warrantee. Until the Shares are issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a shareholder shall exist with respect to the Warranted Stock, notwithstanding the exercise of the Warrant. The Company shall issue (or cause to be issued) such Shares promptly after the Warrant is exercised. No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date the Shares are issued, except as provided in Section 16 of the Plan. Exercising a Warrant in any manner shall decrease the number of Shares thereafter available, both for purposes of the Plan and for sale under the Warrant, by the number of Shares as to which the Warrant is exercised.
- (b) Termination of Relationship as a Service Provider. Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement or provided by the Administrator, if a Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider, other than as a result of (x) the Warrantee's death or Disability, (y) the termination of such Warrantee's services with Cause, or (z) the Warrantee's voluntary termination of service, the Warrantee may exercise his or her Warrant for up to ninety (90) days following the date on which the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider to the extent that the Warrant is vested on the date of termination (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Warrant as set forth in the Grant Agreement). If, on the date that the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Warrantee is not vested as to his or her entire Warrant, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan. If, after the date that the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider the Warrantee does not exercise his or her Warrant in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Warrant shall terminate, and the Shares covered by such unexercised portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan. A Warrantee who changes his or her status as a Service Provider (e.g., from being an Employee to being a Consultant) or who transfers his or her services among the Company or any of its Subsidiaries shall not be deemed to have ceased being a Service Provider for purposes of this Section 10(b).
- Co Disability of a Warrantee. Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement, if a Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider as a result of the Warrantee's Disability, the Warrantee may exercise his or her Warrant, to the extent the Warrant is vested on the date that the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider, up until the one-year anniversary of the date on which the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Warrant as set forth in the Grant Agreement). If, on the date that the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Warrantee is not vested as to his or her entire Warrant, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan. If, after the Warrantee ceases to be a Service Provider, the Warrantee does not exercise his or her Warrant in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan.
- (d) Death of a Warrantee. Unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement, if a Warrantee dies while a Service Provider, the Warrant may be exercised, to the extent that the Warrant is vested on the date of death, by the Warrantee's estate or by a person who acquires the right to exercise the Warrant by bequest or inheritance up until the one-year anniversary of the Warrantee's death (but in no event later than the expiration of the term of such Warrant as set forth in the Notice of Grant). If, at the time of death, the Warrantee is not vested as to his or her entire Warrant, the Shares covered by the unvested portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan. If the Warrant is not so exercised in full within the time set forth herein or the Grant Agreement, as applicable, the unexercised portion of the Warrant shall revert to the Plan.

(e) Termination for Cause or Voluntary Termination. If the Company or a Subsidiary to which a Service Provider provides service
terminates the Service Provider's Services for Cause, or if a Service Provider voluntarily terminates his or her relationship with the Company or th
Subsidiary, unless otherwise provided in such Service Provider's Grant Agreement or by the Administrator, the Service Provider shall have no right t
exercise any of such Service Provider's Warrants at any time on or after the effective date of such termination.

- (f) Form of Consideration. The Administrator shall determine the acceptable form of consideration for exercising a Warrant, including the method of payment. Such consideration may consist entirely of:
  - (i) cash denominated in U.S. Dollars;
  - (ii) wire transfer denominated in U.S. Dollars;
  - (iii) check denominated in U.S. Dollars;
  - (iv) other Shares which (A) in the case of Shares acquired upon exercise of a Warrant at a time when the Company is subject to Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, have been owned by the Warrantee for more than six months on the date of surrender, and (B) have a Fair Market Value on the date of surrender equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares as to which said Warrant shall be exercised;
  - (v) consideration received by the Company under a cashless exercise program implemented by the Company in connection with the Plan:
  - (vi) a reduction in the number of Shares otherwise issuable by a number of Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the exercise price of the Warrant being exercised;
    - (vii) any combination of the foregoing methods of payment; or
    - (viii) such other consideration and method of payment for the issuance of Shares to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws.
- 11. **Stock Awards.** The Administrator may, in its sole discretion, grant (or sell at par value or such higher purchase price as it determines) Shares to any Service Provider subject to such terms and conditions as the Administrator sets forth in a Stock Award Agreement evidencing such grant. Stock Awards may be granted or sold in respect of past services or other valid consideration or in lieu of any cash compensation otherwise payable to such individual. The grant of Stock Awards under this Section 11 shall be subject to the following provisions:
- (a) At the time a Stock Award under this Section 11 is made, the Administrator shall establish a vesting period (the "Restricted Period") applicable to the Stock Award Shares subject to such Stock Award. The Administrator may, in its sole discretion, at the time a grant is made, prescribe restrictions in addition to the expiration of the Restricted Period, including the satisfaction of corporate or individual performance objectives. None of the Stock Award Shares may be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered or disposed of during the Restricted Period applicable to such Stock Award Shares or prior to the satisfaction of any other restrictions prescribed by the Administrator with respect to such Stock Award Shares.



- (c) Unless otherwise provided by the Administrator, holders of Stock Award Shares shall have the right to vote such Shares and have the right to receive any cash dividends with respect to such Shares. All distributions, if any, received by a Stock Awardee with respect to Stock Award Shares as a result of any stock split, stock distribution, combination of shares, or other similar transaction shall be subject to the restrictions of this Section 11.
- (d) Any Stock Award Shares granted to a Service Provider pursuant to the Plan shall be forfeited if the Service Provider voluntarily terminates his or her services with the Company or the Subsidiary to which the Service Provider provided his or her services, or if the Company or Subsidiary terminates the Service Provider's services for Cause, in each case prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions applicable to such Stock Award Shares. Upon such forfeiture, the Stock Award Shares that are forfeited shall be retained in the treasury of the Company and be available for subsequent awards under the Plan. If the Stock Awardee's services terminate for any other reason prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions applicable to such Stock Award Shares, the Stock Award Shares held by such person shall be forfeited, unless the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine otherwise.
- (e) Upon the expiration or termination of the Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions prescribed by the Committee, the restrictions applicable to the Stock Award Shares shall lapse and, at the Stock Awardee's request, a stock certificate for the number of Stock Award Shares with respect to which the restrictions have lapsed shall be delivered, free of all such restrictions, to the Stock Awardee or his beneficiary or estate, as the case may be.
- (f) Prior to the delivery of any shares of Common Stock in connection with a Stock Award under this Section 11, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of tax and other withholding obligations of the Company under Applicable Law, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of shares of Common Stock otherwise deliverable in connection with a Stock Award, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.
- 12. **Restricted Stock Units.** The Committee may, in its sole discretion, grant Restricted Stock Units to a Service Provider subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee sets forth in a Stock Award Agreement evidencing such grant.
- (a) "Restricted Stock Units" are Awards denominated in units evidencing the right to receive Shares of Common Stock, which may vest over such period of time and/or upon satisfaction of such performance criteria or objectives as is determined by the Committee at the time of grant and set forth in the applicable Stock Award Agreement, without payment of any amounts by the Stock Awardee thereof (except to the extent required by law). Prior to delivery of shares of Common Stock with respect to an award of Restricted Stock Units, the Stock Awardee shall have no rights as a stockholder of the Company.

(b) U <sub>I</sub>	on satisfaction and/or achievement of the applicable vesting requirements relating to an award of Restricted Stock Units, the
Stock Awardee shall be entitled	to receive a number of shares of Common Stock that are equal to the number of Restricted Stock Units that became vested. To
the extent, if any, set forth in th	e applicable Stock Award Agreement, cash dividend equivalents may be paid during, or may be accumulated and paid at the
end of, the applicable vesting po	eriod, as determined by the Committee.

- (c) Unless otherwise provided by the Stock Award Agreement, any Restricted Stock Units granted to a Service Provider pursuant to the Plan shall be forfeited if the Stock Awardee's service with the Company or its Subsidiaries terminates for any reason prior to the expiration or termination of the applicable vesting period and/or the achievement of such other vesting conditions applicable to the award.
- (d) Prior to the delivery of any shares of Common Stock in connection with an award of Restricted Stock Units, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of tax and other withholding obligations of the Company under Applicable Law, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of shares of Common Stock otherwise deliverable in connection with an award of Restricted Stock Units, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.
  - 13. **Unrestricted Shares.** The Administrator may grant Unrestricted Shares in accordance with the following provisions:
- (a) The Administrator may cause the Company to grant Unrestricted Shares to Service Providers at such time or times, in such amounts and for such reasons as the Administrator, in its sole discretion, shall determine. No payment shall be required for Unrestricted Shares.
- (b) The Company shall issue, in the name of each Service Provider to whom Unrestricted Shares have been granted, stock certificates representing the total number of Unrestricted Shares granted to such individual, and shall deliver such certificates to such Service Provider as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of grant or on such later date as the Administrator shall determine at the time of grant.
- (c) Prior to the delivery of any Unrestricted Shares, the Company shall be entitled to require as a condition of delivery that the Stock Awardee shall pay or make adequate provision acceptable to the Company for the satisfaction of the statutory minimum prescribed amount of tax and other withholding obligations of the Company under Applicable Law, including, if permitted by the Administrator, by having the Company withhold from the number of Unrestricted Shares otherwise deliverable, a number of shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax withholding obligations.
- 14. **Stock Appreciation Rights.** A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted by the Committee either alone, in addition to, or in tandem with other Awards granted under the Plan. Each Stock Appreciation Right granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

The Award Date (i.e., the date of grant) of a Stock Appreciation Right shall be the date specified by the Committee, provided that (b) that date shall not be before the date on which the Stock Appreciation Right is actually granted. The Award Date of a Stock Appreciation Right shall not be

Each Stock Appreciation Right shall relate to such number of Shares as shall be determined by the Committee.

- prior to the date on which the recipient commences providing services as a Service Provider. The term of each Stock Appreciation Right shall be determined by the Committee, but shall not exceed ten years from the date of grant. Each Stock Appreciation Right shall become exercisable at such time or times and in such amount or amounts during its term as shall be determined by the Committee. Unless otherwise specified by the Committee, once a Stock Appreciation Right becomes exercisable, whether in full or in part, it shall remain so exercisable until its expiration, forfeiture, termination or cancellation.
- A Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised, in whole or in part, by giving written notice to the Committee. As soon as practicable after receipt of the written notice, the Company shall deliver to the person exercising the Stock Appreciation Right stock certificates for the Shares to which that person is entitled under Section 14(d) hereof.
- A Stock Appreciation Right shall be exercisable for Shares only. The number of Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Stock Appreciation Right shall be determined by dividing:
  - the number of Shares for which the Stock Appreciation Right is exercised multiplied by the amount of the appreciation per Share (for this purpose, the "appreciation per Share" shall be the amount by which the Fair Market Value of a Share on the exercise date exceeds (x) in the case of a Stock Appreciation Right granted in tandem with a Warrant, the exercise price or (y) in the case of a Stock Appreciation Right granted alone without reference to a Warrant, the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Award Date of the Stock Appreciation Right); by
    - the Fair Market Value of a Share on the exercise date. (ii)

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15. Non-Transferability. Unless determined otherwise by the Administrator, a Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised, during the lifetime of the Warrantee, only by the Warrantee. If the Administrator makes a Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right transferable, such Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Administrator deems appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator, in its sole discretion, may provide in the Grant Agreement regarding a given Warrant that the Warrantee may transfer, without consideration for the transfer, his or her Warrants to members of his or her immediate family, to trusts for the benefit of such family members, or to partnerships in which such family members are the only partners, provided that the transferee agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Plan and the applicable Warrant. During the period when Shares of Restricted Stock and Stock Award Shares are restricted (by virtue of vesting schedules or otherwise), such Shares may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution.

## 16. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Merger or Asset Sale.

- Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the shareholders of the Company, the number of Shares of Common Stock covered by each outstanding Award and the number of Shares of Common Stock which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but as to which no Awards have yet been granted or which have been returned to the Plan upon cancellation or expiration of an Award, as well as the price per share of Common Stock covered by each such outstanding Award, shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Administrator, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares of Common Stock subject to an Award hereunder. Except as expressly provided herein, the issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, for cash or property, or for labor or services either upon direct sale or upon the exercise of rights or warrants to subscribe therefore, or upon conversion of shares or obligations of the Company convertible into sub-shares or other securities, shall not affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares of Common Stock then subject to outstanding Warrants and Stock Appreciatio
- (b) Corporate Transactions. If the Company merges or consolidates with another corporation, whether or not the Company is the surviving corporation, or if the Company is liquidated or sells or otherwise disposes of substantially all its assets, or if any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing greater than 50% of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities (each such event a "Corporate Transaction Event") then (i) after the effective date of such Corporate Transaction Event, each holder of an outstanding Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right shall be entitled, upon exercise of such Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right to receive, in lieu of Shares of Common Stock, the number and class or classes of shares of such stock or other securities or property to which such holder would have been entitled if, immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction Event, such holder had been the holder of record of a number of Shares of Common Stock equal to the number of shares as to which such Warrant and Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised; and (ii) the Board may waive any limitations set forth in or imposed pursuant hereto so that all Warrants and Stock Appreciation Rights from and after a date prior to the effective date of such Corporate Transaction Event, as specified by the Board, shall be exercisable in full. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the proposed transaction between the Company and China Biopharmaceutical Holdings, Inc. shall not constitute a Corporate Transaction Event.

In the event of a Corporate Transaction Event, then each outstanding Stock Award shall be assumed or an equivalent agreement or award substituted by the successor corporation or a Parent or Subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the Committee determines that the successor corporation or a Parent or a Subsidiary of the successor corporation has refused to assume or substitute an equivalent agreement or award for each outstanding Stock Award, all vesting periods and conditions under Stock Awards shall be deemed to have been satisfied. The Board may also, in its discretion, cause all vesting periods and conditions under Stock Awards to be deemed to have been satisfied.

17. **Substitute Warrants.** In the event that the Company, directly or indirectly, acquires another entity, the Board may authorize the issuance of Warrants ("Substitute Warrants") to the individuals performing services for the acquired entity (if such services are performed outside of the United States) in substitution of Warrants previously granted to those individuals in connection with their performance of services for such entity upon such terms and conditions as the Board shall determine. Shares of capital stock underlying Substitute Warrants shall not constitute Shares issued pursuant to the Plan for any purpose.

18.	Date of Grant.	The date of grant of an Award shall be, for all purposes, the date on which the Administrator makes the determination
granting such	Warrant, Stock Apprec	ciation Right, Stock Award or Unrestricted Share, or such other later date as is determined by the Administrator. Notice of
the determinat	ion shall be provided to	to each grantee within a reasonable time after the date of such grant.

#### 19. Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

- (a) Amendment and Termination. The Board may at any time amend, alter, suspend or terminate the Plan.
- (b) Shareholder Approval. The Company shall obtain shareholder approval of any Plan amendment to the extent necessary to comply with Applicable Laws.
- (c) Effect of Amendment or Termination. No amendment, alteration, suspension or termination of the Plan shall impair the rights of any grantee, unless mutually agreed otherwise between the grantee and the Administrator, which agreement must be in writing and signed by the grantee and the Company. Termination of the Plan shall not affect the Administrator's ability to exercise the powers granted to it hereunder with respect to Awards granted under the Plan prior to the date of such termination.

#### 20. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.

- (a) Legal Compliance. Shares shall not be issued in connection with the grant of any Stock Award or Unrestricted Share or the exercise of any Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right unless such grant or the exercise of such Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right and the issuance and delivery of such Shares shall comply with Applicable Laws and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.
- (b) *Investment Representations.* As a condition to the grant of any Stock Award or Unrestricted Share or the exercise of any Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right, the Company may require the person receiving such Award or exercising such Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise or grant that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required.
- (c) *Additional Conditions*. The Administrator shall have the authority to condition the grant of any Award in such other manner that the Administrator determines to be appropriate, provided that such condition is not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan.
- (d) *Trading Policy Restrictions.* Warrant and or Stock Appreciation Right exercises and other Awards under the Plan shall be subject to the terms and conditions of any insider trading policy established by the Company or the Administrator.
- 21. **Inability to Obtain Authority.** The inability of the Company to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which authority is deemed by the Company's counsel to be necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder, shall relieve the Company of any liability in respect of the failure to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority shall not have been obtained.

- 22. **Shareholder Approval.** The Plan shall be subject to approval by the shareholders of the Company within twelve (12) months after the date the Plan is adopted. Such shareholder approval shall be obtained in the manner and to the degree required under Applicable Laws. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, any exercise of a Warrant or Stock Appreciation Right granted before the Company has obtained shareholder approval of the Plan in accordance with this Section 22 shall be conditioned upon obtaining such shareholder approval of the Plan in accordance with this Section 22.
- 23. **Withholding; Notice of Sale.** The Company shall be entitled to withhold from any amounts payable to a Service Provider any amounts which the Company determines, in its discretion, are required to be withheld under any Applicable Law as a result of any action taken by a holder of an Award.
  - 24. **Governing Law.** This Plan shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to conflict of law principles.

## NeoStem Acquires Amorcyte, a Clinical Stage Cardiovascular Disease Cell Therapy Company

NEW YORK, Oct. 17, 2011 -- NeoStem, Inc. (NYSE Amex: NBS) ("NeoStem" or the "Company"), an international biopharmaceutical company with a focus on cell-based therapeutic development, and Amorcyte Inc., a development stage cell therapy company focusing on novel treatments for cardiovascular disease, announced today the closing of their previously announced merger transaction following approval by the shareholders of both companies on October 14, 2011. NeoStem, which closed on a financing raising \$16.5 million in gross proceeds on July 22, 2011, intends to initiate, no later than the first quarter of 2012, a Phase 2 clinical trial for Amorcyte's lead product candidate, AMR-001, for the treatment of acute myocardial infarction (AMI).

Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, NeoStem (i) issued 5,843,483 shares as the base stock consideration; (ii) will issue up to 4,092,768 shares of common stock upon the achievement of certain specified business milestones; (iii) issued warrants to purchase 1,881,008 shares of common stock exercisable over a seven year period at a price of \$1.466 per share; and (iv) upon the successful commercialization of AMR-001 will pay certain earn out payments on sales. The shares of common stock issued and underlying the warrants are subject to certain transfer restrictions.

Of the approximately 800,000 Americans who suffer an AMI each year, approximately 20%, or 160,000 patients, remain at risk for progressive deterioration in heart muscle function and, as a consequence, increased risk for future major adverse cardiac events. AMR-001 targets treatment of this unmet medical need.

AMR-001 is an autologous, bone marrow-derived, pharmaceutical grade cell-based product that uses a cell population enriched for CD34+CXCR4+ cells. Studies have shown that these cells act as a natural repair mechanism, releasing from bone marrow and traveling to the damaged region of the heart following an AMI. Treatment with AMR-001 involves infusion of an active population of these cells directly into a patient's heart via an intra-coronary catheter six to eleven days after an AMI (i.e., after the "hot" or inflammatory phase) and as such complements the body's natural rescue mechanism for those cells that face hypoxic stress (i.e., oxygen deprivation) as a result of an increased workload.

NeoStem believes AMR-001 stands alone in its ability to claim all of the following attributes:

- · a confirmed mechanism of action
- · access to a cGMP (current good manufacturing practices) facility
- · an established dose that exceeds the threshold for biological activity
- · use of autologous cells that have no risk of rejection and are capable of integrating and providing local support, potentially for a prolonged period of time as demonstrated in pre-clinical animal experiments
- · cells that are not expanded, thereby eliminating the potential concerns associated with such expansion, and
- · an issued patent with composition of matter, methods and processes claims with long remaining life.

"We are very much encouraged by the Phase 1 trial results and look forward to moving AMR-001 forward toward commercialization through NeoStem," said Dr. Andrew L. Pecora, Chief Medical Officer of NeoStem and Chief Scientific Officer of Amorcyte. "Through NeoStem's preclinical VSEL<sup>TM</sup> (very small embryonic-like stem cell) platform, the Phase 1-ready autoimmune disease product candidates of its Athelos subsidiary, and now through AMR-001, NeoStem seeks to fulfill the promise that an individual's own cells hold the potential to both heal and transform the way medicine is delivered."

Dr. Robin L. Smith, Chairman and CEO of NeoStem said, "The closing of our acquisition of Amorcyte represents a leap forward for NeoStem into clinical development and the furtherance of our mission to develop a product portfolio of cell therapy products that leverage the body's natural abilities to heal and fight disease. We believe that AMR-001 bridges the gap between cell therapy's roots in bone marrow transplantation and cell therapies of the future."

#### About NeoStem, Inc.

NeoStem is a leader in the development and manufacturing of cell therapies. The Company's strategic combination of revenues with manufacturing through its subsidiary, Progenitor Cell Therapy, LLC and global reach has positioned the company for advances in the cell therapy industry. The acquisition of Amorcyte, Inc. positions NeoStem to achieve its mission of capturing the paradigm shift to cell therapy. NeoStem is also pursuing a T-cell therapeutic with potential in a range of auto-immune conditions and development of its VSEL™ Technology platform. For more information on NeoStem, please visit www.neostem.com.

## **About Amorcyte**

Amorcyte develops cell therapy products to treat cardiovascular disease. Its lead product, AMR–001, for the prevention of major adverse cardiac events following acute myocardial infarction (AMI), has completed Phase 1 clinical trials demonstrating feasibility, safety and biologic activity at a threshold dose. This is the first stem cell trial in AMI ever conducted that has prospectively established a significant relationship between dose and effect. Amorcyte was founded by Andrew Pecora, M.D., Chief Innovations Officer, Professor and Vice President of Cancer Services at the John Theurer Cancer Center at Hackensack University Cancer Center, with initial investment by Novitas Capital and Colt Ventures. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://www.amorcyte.com">www.amorcyte.com</a>.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations, as of the date of this press release, and involve certain risks and uncertainties. Forward looking statements include statements herein with respect to the successful execution of the Company's business strategy, including with respect to the Company's successful development of cell therapeutics, as well as the future of the cell therapeutics industry. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. Factors that could cause future results to materially differ from the recent results or those projected in forward-looking statements include the "Risk Factors" described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (<a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>), including its prospectus supplement filed on September 30, 2011. The Company's further development is highly dependent on future medical and research developments and market acceptance, which is outside its control.

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