

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR CELL SCIENCE, PUNE

(An Autonomous Institution of the Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India)
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Call for Letter of Intent to Establish Primary Cell Bank in India

National Centre for Cell Science, Pune invites Letter of Intents from interested academic and private organisations, companies or institutions for establishing a bank of Primary Cells derived from patients and healthy human volunteers. The Selected entity/organisation would collaborate with N.C.C.S to develop healthy and diseased primary cells bank in India using globally benchmarked stringent quality control parameters and optimized culture protocols for providing Indian researchers with the state of art tools and system for studying mechanisms of diseases, underlying changes at genomic / epigenetic / physiological levels, and evaluating effect of therapeutics / active ingredients needed by the industry to discover and develop new test therapeutics at affordable price.

Eligibility Criteria:

- i) Organisations registered in India and having core competencies in development of primary cell cultures & specialised media for over 5 years would be eligible to apply;
- ii) The organisations should have an established R& D base, infrastructure and capabilities for large scale cultivation of cell cultures from ethically sourced tissues.
- iii) The organisations should have globally benchmarked expertise in quality control systems to ensure consistency and high quality in delivery of primary cells and media necessary for cutting edge biological research;
- iv) The organisation should have proven record for bio repository management and experience in distribution of cell cultures.
- v) The organisation should have expertise in biomaterials acquisition, authentication, characterization, storage and cryopreservation. The Company should also be proficient in data management, regulatory and legal compliance and intellectual property management

Mode of Selection:

Proposals received for establishing joint bank for Primary cells will be screened and short listed by the expert committee constitutes by NCCS for further consideration by the administrative ministry.

Mode of Submission:

5 copies of the proposal may be submitted to N.C.C.S with a forwarding letter clearly instating “ proposal for Collaborative Primary Cell Bank and sent to ..Director, NCCS latest by Aug 15, 2016