

# Stellar Biotechnologies Reports Year-End 2014 Financial Results

## Company to Hold Conference Call at 1:30 p.m. ET Today

PORT HUENEME, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 11/13/14 -- **Stellar Biotechnologies, Inc.** ("Stellar" or "the Company") (OTCQB: SBOTF) (TSX VENTURE: KLH), the leader in sustainable manufacture of Keyhole Limpet Hemocyanin ("KLH"), an important immunestimulating protein used in wide-ranging immunotherapeutic markets, has reported preliminary financial results for the year ended August 31, 2014.

### Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2014 Results:

- Cash Position: Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments as of August 31, 2014 were \$13.9 million, compared to \$7.9 million at August 31, 2013. The Company believes current cash will be sufficient to meet estimated working capital requirements and fund planned program development through 2015. During the year ended August 31, 2014, the Company received approximately \$6.5 million cash from financing activities related to the September 2013 private placement and an additional \$4.3 million proceeds from the exercise of warrants and options.
- As of August 31, 2014, Stellar had positive shareholders equity of \$7.7 million and approximately 78.3 million shares outstanding, compared to negative shareholders equity of (\$2.2 million) and approximately 57.9 million shares outstanding at August 31, 2013.
- Revenues: Revenues were \$372,132 for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014 compared to \$545,469 for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2013. Revenues included product sales of \$143,553 compared to \$76,055 for the prior year. The increase was due to greater product sales volume. Grant revenue decreased to \$37,579 from \$409,414 due to completion of NSF Phase II/IIB in fiscal 2013 with the close out period ended November 2013. Contract services revenues for the year increased to \$192,000 compared to \$60,000 in the prior year. The increase was due to new contract services under a collaboration agreement.
- R&D Expenses: Research and development expenses for the year were \$2.5 million for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014 compared to \$2.0 million in fiscal 2013. The increase in R&D expense was largely due to preclinical research on C. diff immunotherapy studies, coupled with a decrease in other internal research and development affected by operations shifting from process development to manufacturing.

- Other Operating Expenses: Other operating expenses for the year totaled \$3.6 million for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014, compared to \$2.4 million in fiscal 2013. The \$1.2 million increase was primarily attributable to a higher level of activity related to strategic initiatives associated with corporate and business development, the addition of key personnel, and vesting of stock options related to share-based compensation.
- Net Loss: Net loss for the year was \$8.4 million, or \$0.11 per share for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014 compared to a net loss of \$14.5 million, or \$0.28 per share, for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2013. The lower loss in the current year was primarily affected by noncash changes in fair value of warrant liability. The gains and losses in these periods are a reflection of the Company's share price fluctuations with increases in share prices causing greater warrant liability and a loss on fair value of warrant liability, while decreases in share prices cause a gain on fair value of warrant liability. Changes in fair value of warrant liability have no impact on cash flow. If the warrants are exercised, the warrant liability is reclassified to share capital. If the warrants expire, the decrease in warrant liability offsets the changes in fair value.

#### Operational Updates:

- Collaborations and KLH Supply Agreements: Stellar recently executed new collaboration agreements related to the Company's core technology platform for the sustainable manufacturing of KLH. In November 2014, the Company signed an exclusive supply agreement with Araclon Biotech SL (Spain) to meet Araclon's Phase II and III clinical trial requirements for KLH used in Araclon's active immunotherapies against Alzheimer's disease. In October 2014, Stellar executed a supply agreement with Biovest International, Inc. for the supply of KLH used in Biovest's active immunotherapy to treat follicular non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Previously, in December 2013, Stellar entered into collaboration with Amaran Biotechnology, Inc. (Taiwan) to develop and evaluate methods for the potential manufacture of OBI Pharma's active immunotherapy against metastatic breast cancer (OBI-822). These collaborations represent multiple prospective commercial pathways for Stellar including future growth of KLH sales and close involvement in the development of new KLH-based immunotherapies in a range of disease targets.
- Research and Development Programs: Stellar is actively engaged in research and development focused primarily on aquaculture of the Giant Keyhole Limpet, improvements in KLH protein manufacturing, and new uses for KLH in immunotherapy. In 2014 these activities involved both internal programs and external collaborations with other biopharmaceutical companies. Our internal research included new innovations in aquaculture systems, infrastructure and analytical processes, and early preclinical testing of a potential KLH-base immunotherapy against infectious disease. Our external collaborations involved both development and evaluation projects, with a number of biopharmaceutical entities, for the use of Stellar KLH™ in those companies' programs. The latter culminated in execution of definitive supply agreements for Stellar KLH™ that the Company

believes will require growing operational attention and resources in the next year.

"Over the past year we significantly advanced a number of key programs in our core Stellar KLH™ manufacturing business. Of particular note is our recent expansion of KLH clinical supply agreements," said Frank Oakes, President and Chief Executive Officer of Stellar Biotechnologies, Inc. "Building a robust KLH customer base across diverse disease arenas is of strategic importance to Stellar because we believe it will generate long-term revenue potential as well as provide us with a presence in multiple important immunotherapy programs targeting cancers, immune disorders, inflammatory disease, and Alzheimer's."

The Company intends to file its Fiscal Year End 2014 Form 10-K on Friday, November 14, 2014. To view Stellar Biotechnologies' current and past reports and filings, consolidated financial statements, and Management Discussion & Analysis, please visit the Canadian Securities Administrators' website (<a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>). To view the Company's filings under Form 20-F and Form 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, please visit the U.S. SEC website (<a href="https://www.sec.gov/edgar">www.sec.gov/edgar</a>).

#### Telecast and Webcast Information:

Date: Thursday, November 13, 2014 Time: 1:30 PM ET/10:30 AM PT Participant Dial-in: 1-913-312-0380

Conference Call Participant Passcode: 9219736

Webcast Link: http://www.visualwebcaster.com/event.asp?id=100979

Q&A submission: Questions for management may be submitted via the chat feature of the

live online webcast.

Please log in at least 10 minutes before the start time to ensure timely participation and appropriate web interface platform.

For the live and archived webcast link, please visit the investor presentation section on Stellar Biotechnologies' website at: <a href="http://ir.stellarbiotechnologies.com/events-calendar">http://ir.stellarbiotechnologies.com/events-calendar</a>

A replay of the call will be available approximately two hours after the live call through November 20, 2014. To access the replay, dial 1-888-203-1112 (if calling within United States and Canada) and 1-719-457-0820 (outside the U.S. and Canada). The replay passcode is 9219736. The webcast will also be archived on the Company website. For additional information please visit the Events Calendar of the Investors section at www.stellarbiotech.com.

#### About Stellar Biotechnologies, Inc.

**Stellar Biotechnologies, Inc.** (OTCQB: SBOTF) (TSX VENTURE: KLH) is the leader in sustainable manufacture of Keyhole Limpet Hemocyanin (KLH), an important immunestimulating protein used in wide-ranging therapeutic and diagnostic markets. KLH is both an active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) in many new immunotherapies (targeting cancer, immune disorders, Alzheimer's, and inflammatory diseases) as well as a finished

product for measuring immune status. Stellar Biotechnologies is unique in its proprietary methods, facilities, and KLH technology. We are committed to meeting the growing demand for commercial-scale supplies of GMP grade KLH, ensuring environmentally sound KLH production, and developing KLH-based active immunotherapies.

To receive timely updates, sign up for company email alerts at <a href="https://www.StellarBiotech.com">www.StellarBiotech.com</a> and to learn more about the power of KLH visit the KLH knowledge base site at <a href="https://www.KLHsite.org">www.KLHsite.org</a>.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "plan," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "will," "would," "could," "should," "might," "potential," or "continue" and variations or similar expressions. Readers should not unduly rely on these forward-looking statements, which are not a guarantee of future performance. There can be no assurance that forwardlooking statements will prove to be accurate, as all such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results or future events to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Such risks include, but may not be limited to: general economic and business conditions; technology changes; competition; changes in strategy or development plans; governmental regulations and the ability or failure to comply with governmental regulations; the timing of anticipated results; and other factors referenced in the Company's filings with securities regulators. For a discussion of further risks and uncertainties related to the Company's business, please refer to the Company's public company reports filed with the TSX Venture Exchange and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. All forwardlooking statements are made as of the date hereof and are subject to change. Except as required by law, the Company assumes no obligation to update such statements. This press release does not constitute an offer or solicitation of an offer for sale of any securities in any jurisdiction, including the United States. Neither the TSX Venture Exchange nor its Regulation Services Provider (as that term is defined in the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange) accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of the information contained in this press release.

#### Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(Expressed in US Dollars)

	August 31, 2014	August 31, 2013
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,427,404	\$ 7,859,889
Other current assets	643,266	274,633
Noncurrent assets	403,292	378,836
Total Assets	\$ 14,473,962	\$ 8,513,358

# Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity (Deficit):

Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity (Deficit)	\$ 14,473,962	\$_	8,513,358
Shareholders' equity (deficit)	 7,700,633		(2,195,999)
Warrant liability, including current portion	6,231,703		10,289,944
revenue	\$ 541,626	\$	419,413
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and deferred			

# **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(Expressed in US Dollars)

	Year Ended						
	August 31,			August 31,		August 31,	
		2014		2013		2012	
Revenues:							
Contract services revenue	\$	192,000	\$	60,000	\$	60,000	
Product sales		143,553		76,055		131,825	
Grant revenue		36,579		409,414		94,229	
Total Revenues		372,132		545,469		286,054	
Expenses:							
Costs of revenues		760,259		604,215		535,925	
Research and development		2,458,934		2,018,554		2,634,119	
General and administration		2,871,455		1,770,619		3,662,009	
Total Expenses	_	6,090,648		4,393,388		6,832,053	
Other Income (Loss):							
Foreign exchange gain (loss)		(222,437)		(95,842)		10,091	
Change in fair value of warrant liability		(2,533,305)		(10,556,208)		897,549	
Other income		61,935		4,990		109,881	
Income tax expense	_	27,200		800		800	
Net Loss	\$	(8,439,523)	\$	(14,495,779)	\$	(5,529,278)	
Loss per common share - basic and diluted	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.28)	\$	(0.13)	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding		75,826,642		51,611,944		43,775,766	

## **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(Expressed in US Dollars)

	August 31,	August 31,	August 31,

		2014 2013			2012	
Cash Flows Used In Operating Activities:						
Net loss	\$	(8,439,523)	\$ (14,495,779)	\$	(5,529,278)	
Items not affecting cash:						
Depreciation and amortization		158,313	124,833		112,144	
Share-based payments		956,634	786,585		1,923,200	
Foreign exchange (gain) loss		222,437	95,842		(10,091)	
Change in fair value of warrant liability		2,533,305	10,556,208		(897,549)	
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		3,670	-		-	
Impairment loss		90,476	-		-	
Fair value of shares issued for research license		-	491,408		-	
Changes in working capital items	_	207,981	(354,920)		453,760	
Net cash used in operating activities		(4,266,707)	(2,795,823)		(3,947,814)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(741,415)	(9,541)		(78,338)	
Net cash provided by financing activities		10,787,975	9,730,826		877,210	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	_	(212,338)	(64,571)	_	2,448	
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		5,567,515	6,860,891		(3,146,494)	
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year		7,859,889	998,998		4,145,492	
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$	13,427,404	\$ 7,859,889	\$	998,998	

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