



May 24th, 2010

To:
Dr Miodrag Stojkovic
Republic of Serbia

Dear Dr Stojkovic,

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of your efforts to open a Stem Cell Institute in Kragujevac, Serbia to develop the research strategies that will provide the means for the regenerative medicine by using the stem cell based therapy. As a scientist in one of the first companies to embark on the clinical trial in the USA on motor neuron diseases using differentiated stem cells, I applaud your efforts to develop such therapies in Serbia too.

Your initiative to open such Institute is truly a testament of your patriotism and dedication to better the field of medicine in Serbia. As a pioneer in the stem cell field, recognized both in the Serbia and internationally, and by bringing your knowledge and expertise to Serbia you are setting a foundation for a stem cell-derived treatments for a broad spectrum of patients with debilitating diseases and injuries.

In conclusion, I fully support your efforts and by this letter also offer you my professional help should you need it. I wish you best luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Poole".

Aleksandra Jovanovic Poole, PhD
Senior Scientist