

Aastrom to Participate in First Annual Stem Cell Investor & Executive Networking Conference Event

ANN ARBOR, Mich., May 27, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aastrom Biosciences, Inc. (Nasdaq:ASTM), the leading developer of autologous cellular therapies for the treatment of severe cardiovascular diseases, today announced that Ronnda Bartel, Ph.D., chief scientific officer, will participate in a plenary session at the first annual Stem Cell Investor & Executive Networking Conference Event (SCIENCE). In the session, entitled "Autologous Approaches," Dr. Bartel will present an update on novel technology for cardiovascular regeneration with cellular therapies produced from a small sample of a patient's own bone marrow. This plenary session will take place from 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. To join the conference via webcast, please register at https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/134153232. If you are unable to join via Internet, please call (800) 882-3610 and enter 2178545 when prompted for a passcode. If you are calling from outside the U.S., please use the international phone number (412) 380-2000.

Hosted by National Securities and MD Becker Partners, the SCIENCE program unites investors and industry executives to exchange information and highlight opportunities in the expanding stem cell industry. The event brings together researchers, clinicians, business leaders, key investors, and other stakeholders to offer presentations, share information, and discuss the future of the field.

SCIENCE will take place on June 1, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 120 Broadway, second floor, in New York City. Additional information and registration details are available at www.mdbpartners.com/science.

About Aastrom Biosciences

Aastrom Biosciences is developing autologous cellular therapies for use in the treatment of severe cardiovascular diseases. The company's proprietary cell-processing technology enables the production of cellular therapies using a patient's own bone marrow that can be delivered directly to damaged tissues. Aastrom has advanced this technology into late-stage clinical development and is conducting two Phase 2 clinical trials to treat dilated cardiomyopathy and a Phase 2b clinical trial to treat critical limb ischemia. For more information, please visit Aastrom's website at www.aastrom.com.

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