

CELL THERAPEUTICS INC
Form 8-K
October 14, 2005

UNITED STATES
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, 2005

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-12465
(Commission File Number)

91-1533912
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

501 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 400

Seattle, Washington 98119

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 282-7100

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report).

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 - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 4.01. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant

On October 14, 2005, the audit committee of the board of directors of Cell Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) engaged Stonefield Josephson, Inc. (Stonefield Josephson) as the Company's new independent auditors to provide financial audit services effective immediately. The engagement will commence with the review of the Company's financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2005, as well as the audit of its current fiscal year which ends December 31, 2005. Stonefield Josephson has not audited the Company's financial statements in the two most recent fiscal years or any subsequent interim period.

Additionally, during the last two fiscal years and the subsequent interim period through October 14, 2005, the Company did not consult with Stonefield Josephson regarding (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed; or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's financial statements; or (ii) any matter that was either the subject of a disagreement (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K) or a reportable event (as described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

SIGNATURE

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

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: October 14, 2005

By: /s/ Louis A. Bianco
Louis A. Bianco

Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration
(Principal Accounting Officer)