

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-JUN-1999 19:52:09.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Can you please call me sometime Monday am? I think Bruce would like us to have a meeting on this sometime soon and I just want to make sure that we are on the same page as everyone else.

thanks a lot -- I really appreciate your help.

Devorah

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CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-JUN-1999 15:45:10.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell meeting

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Neal will be out of the country all this week. The meeting is still a good idea. Did you get the memo?

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-JUN-1999 15:36:57.00

SUBJECT: stem cell meeting

TO: Dawn L. Smalls (CN=Dawn L. Smalls/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Cathy R. Mays (CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hello --

Bruce had asked Chris if it would be possible to brief John on the stem cell issue sometime this week, since NBAC is releasing their recommendations on Monday.

Other attendees at this meeting would include Rich Tarplin, Neal Lane, and either Larry Stein or someone from his staff (probably Lisa Kountoupes).

Please let me know what you think. Thanks.

Devorah

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CREATOR: Dawn L. Smalls (CN=Dawn L. Smalls/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:22-JUN-1999 20:33:27.00

SUBJECT: Stem Stell Research

TO: Cathy R. Mays (CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Mindy E. Myers (CN=Mindy E. Myers/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Betty J. Fountain (CN=Betty J. Fountain/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

John will hold a meeting on Stem Cell Research Friday at 4:30. Pls call me at 6-4514 with any questions. Thanks.

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 17:39:29.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Mtg.

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Sarah A. Bianchi (CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeanne Lambrew (CN=Jeanne Lambrew/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

NOTE: This is SATURDAY!!!

----- Forwarded by Teresa M. Jones/OPD/EOP on 06/25/99

05:38 PM -----

Dawn L. Smalls

06/25/99 05:16:52 PM

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Leslie Bernstein/WHO/EOP@EOP

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 18:14:37.00

SUBJECT: Chris is not available for the Saturday Stem Cell mtg.

TO: 4758 (4758 @ WHCA [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 13:29:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: Stem Cell Research

TO: Dawn L. Smalls (CN=Dawn L. Smalls/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Sarah A. Bianchi (CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeanne Lambrew (CN=Jeanne Lambrew/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Yes, I think Chris will be here tomorrow (Saturday). I'll let him know and put it on his schedule.

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06/25/99 12:20:18 PM
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To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc:
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Cathy R. Mays (CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 13:58:43.00

SUBJECT: Re: Stem Cell Research

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SUBJECT: Re: Stem Cell Research

TO: Dawn L. Smalls (CN=Dawn L. Smalls/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lotus Pager Gateway (Lotus Pager Gateway [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 18:20:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: Chris is not available for the Saturday Stem Cell mtg. (Sent to: DAWN SMALLS [Pager])

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To: 4758 @ WHCA

cc:

From: Teresa M. Jones

Date: 6/25/1999

Time: 18:14:26

Subject: Chris is not available for the Saturday Stem Cell mtg.

Body:

Priority:

Message history for recipient DAWN SMALLS [Pager]

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Pager Gateway

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Leslie Bernstein/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Tim Leshan <TLESHAN@ascb.org> (Tim Leshan <TLESHAN@ascb.org> [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JUN-1999 16:28:30.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Update

TO: roberta@womens-health.org (roberta@womens-health.org [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: harleyt@pva.org (harleyt@pva.org [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: ndepaf@pinn.net (ndepaf@pinn.net [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: bente@nof.org (bente@nof.org [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: weinberg@nhcouncil.org (weinberg@nhcouncil.org [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: jkatz@natlbcc.org (jkatz@natlbcc.org [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: lsoler@jdfcure.com (lsoler@jdfcure.com [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: KDonahue@HillandKnowlton.com (KDonahue@HillandKnowlton.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: egoss@fbt.com (egoss@fbt.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Skoppi@endo-society.org (Skoppi@endo-society.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: etynes@ccmc.org (etynes@ccmc.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: rlipner@basshowes.com (rlipner@basshowes.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Tim Leshan <TLESHAN@ascb.org> (Tim Leshan <TLESHAN@ascb.org> [UNKNOWN])
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TO: slrbc@aol.com (slrbc@aol.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: apdadc@aol.com (apdadc@aol.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: pcatterall@agingresearch.org (pcatterall@agingresearch.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: ichow@faseb.org (ichow@faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: ipenn@cfl.org (ipenn@cfl.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: md@capitolassociates.com (md@capitolassociates.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: stipton@asrm.org (stipton@asrm.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: raymstein@aol.com (raymstein@aol.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: aarda@aol.com (aarda@aol.com [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Priscilla_Short@ama-assn.org (Priscilla_Short@ama-assn.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: dperry@agingresearch.org (dperry@agingresearch.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: KHendricks@aap.org (KHendricks@aap.org [UNKNOWN])
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TO: fpwhite@mail.faseb.org (fpwhite@mail.faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: nwells@vsadc.com (nwells@vsadc.com [UNKNOWN])
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CC: lgoldstein@ucsd.edu (lgoldstein@ucsd.edu [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Melinda@pva.org (Melinda@pva.org [OMB])
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CC: hgarrison@mail.faseb.org (hgarrison@mail.faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: afinan@nabr.org (afinan@nabr.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: JFriedma@HillandKnowlton.com (JFriedma@HillandKnowlton.com [OMB])
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CC: tlawless@faseb.org (tlawless@faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: psparks@ccmc.org (psparks@ccmc.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: nbradish@bio.org (nbradish@bio.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: bernstei@mail.faseb.org (bernstei@mail.faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: apendleton@anatomy.org (apendleton@anatomy.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Jcerquone@agingresearch.org (Jcerquone@agingresearch.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: rokelley@uic.edu (rokelley@uic.edu [UNKNOWN])
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CC: pan@sonic.net (pan@sonic.net [UNKNOWN])
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CC: MGUARDUC@phrma.org (MGUARDUC@phrma.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: hkenny@natlbcc.org (hkenny@natlbcc.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: jcrowley@MIT.EDU (jcrowley@MIT.EDU [UNKNOWN])
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CC: april@lewis-burke.org (april@lewis-burke.org [OPD])
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CC: estrass@mail.faseb.org (estrass@mail.faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Ess@columbia.edu (Ess@columbia.edu [UNKNOWN])
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CC: spattee@cff.org (spattee@cff.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: tb@capitolassociates.com (tb@capitolassociates.com [UNKNOWN])
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CC: mwerner@bio.org (mwerner@bio.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: araanan@aps.faseb.org (araanan@aps.faseb.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: jennifer.zeitzer@alz.org (jennifer.zeitzer@alz.org [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Dbmoore@aamc.org (Dbmoore@aamc.org [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:

I want to make sure you all know that the Patients' CURE group is holding a stem cell briefing on the Hill July 7th at 10:00 AM in Rayburn 2222. This event will feature a diabetes and Parkinson's patient, as well as a scientist and an ethicist. Our hope is that the room will be full of Congressional staff who may have a bit more time during the recess. Please tell those staff that you have been working with on this issue to attend this event. Refreshments will be served.

Yesterday the NBAC met to discuss their draft stem cell report. We had thought they might finish their report at this meeting, but the report won't be finalized until their July 13- 14 meeting in Cambridge, MA, and released shortly thereafter. As you may have seen in the Washington Fax this morning the commission went back to the discussion of federal support for "use" and "derivation" of stem cells. There are at least three members of the panel who seem uncomfortable with federal support of the derivation of stem cells. Harold Shapiro, Chair of the NBAC, seems to want to stick with the general point in the earlier draft that NBAC would support federal funding for both use and derivation. The NBAC is clearly going to come out in support of embryonic stem cell research, its just not clear how deep their support will be. My view is that the NBAC report will cause a great deal of concern on the Hill. The NIH is also due to release the final guidelines for stem cell research in the next few weeks, which will be another point of concern. At that point it will be very important for groups to send in comments to the NIH during the 60-day comment period.

With the Labor HHS Appropriations bill possibly being marked up starting in mid July we will need to be talking to Appropriators about the stem cell issue. I'll be back in touch about this. Thanks.

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TEXT:

This morning Senator Sam Brownback [R-KS] held a press conference in the Capitol on stem cell research. He released a statement opposing embryonic stem cell research, signed by several people supportive of the pro-life view including lawyers, scientists and ethicists. The statement focuses on their contention that research on embryonic stem cells is not needed due to the work being done on "adult" cells.

Four others spoke as well including Dr. Frank Young former FDA Commissioner, Dr. Ed Pellegrino of the Center for Bioethics at Georgetown, Dr. Nigel Cameron of the Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity, and Richard Doerflinger of the Conference of Catholic Bishops. They all tried to make the point that the embryo ban was being violated by the NIH and that this research was promoting the destruction of embryos. While this was a well run event it wasn't

entirely clear what the purpose was other than to give their side a chance to speak to the press. There were a lot of press in attendance.

When asked what he planned to do legislatively on the stem cell issue Brownback said "we are looking at our options." He elaborated by saying there are several options: Appropriations, hearings, attaching something to another bill, or a legal option. He ended by saying that the law is plain, but some want to explain it further. He also made it clear that he was not pursuing the lawsuit option himself. The legislative approach was expressed in general terms in the statement handed out at the meeting. "We call on Congress to maintain the existing ban against harmful federally-funded human embryo research and make it explicit its application to stem cell research requiring the destruction of human embryos . . ."

I found it interesting that Brownback's legislative message was not clearly articulated to the press. Things are heating up.

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SUBJECT: Phone Call for Chris to make Today!! Stem Cell.

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TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

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TEXT:

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Purpose: To urge March of Dimes to join the Patient Coalition.

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Talking Points

Birth defects are the leading cause of infant death and a major cause of disability in young people, affecting more than 150,000 babies each year. There are thousands of different kinds of birth defects, with some of the most common including defects in the heart and circulatory system, the muscle and skeletal system, and the nervous system. Among other uses, the NIH National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute states that, “Stem cells could potentially be used ... to generate growth of heart chambers when infants are born with malformed hearts...”

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Human embryonic stem cells can be used to understand the basic biological processes that govern development, errors in which often lead to birth defects.

Through the Fund for Biomedical Research, the March of Dimes supports new research in gene therapy, premature births, and organ regeneration. Some birth defects already have been treated using gene therapy, and organ regeneration shows great promise for correcting many birth defects and abnormalities involving the liver, kidneys, and heart. Stem cell research offers great promise for new advances in both of these areas.

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07/14/99 01:57:00 PM
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SUBJECT: RE: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

TO: Simon Rosenberg <srosenberg@newdem.org> (Simon Rosenberg <srosenberg@newdem.org> [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:

Yes -- it was great to socialize with folks -- the
wine was good too!

If we wanted NDN to consider adding increases in IT research
to its "e-genda" -- who would be the right person
to talk to?

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SUBJECT: RE: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

TO: Thomas A. Kalil (CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
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TEXT:

we do have a listserv...I've sent it off to Dooley and Smith...not sure it should fly out w/o more context...let us kick it around here and get back to you...thanks for coming this weekend...I hope you found it worthwhile...S

-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas_A._Kalil@opd.eop.gov [mailto:Thomas_A._Kalil@opd.eop.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 1999 1:06 PM
To: srosenberg@newdem.org
Subject: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

Simon:

What's the best way to get this to NDN members?

Do you have a listserv?

- Tom Kalil

(See attached file: Stem Cellspress guidance0715.doc)

(See attached file: WH stem cell statement7.14.doc)

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SUBJECT: Stem Cell.WH Statement

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To: Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP
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Subject: WH Statement

Barbara - I understand the White House has or will have a statement on the NBAC report. Would you send me a copy? I would also like to talk with you and or Rachel about a possible WH meeting with the groups before the August recess. We all met yesterday and I think folks are motivated to work during the recess on the stem cell issue, but a meeting called by Chris Jennings would be a helpful rallying point. Thanks

Tim Leshan

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SUBJECT: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

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HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS
July 15, 1999

- Q. The National Bioethics Advisory Commission will recommend that research involving the use and derivation of stem cells from human embryos be eligible for Federal funding. Derivation is currently prohibited under the Congressional ban on human embryo research. What is your position on this recommendation?**
- A. The Clinton Administration recognizes that the potential medical benefits of human stem cell technology are compelling and worthy of pursuit, so long as the research is conducted according to the highest ethical standards. NIH is putting in place guidelines and an oversight system that will ensure that the cells are obtained in an ethically sound manner. The President's 1994 ban on the use of Federal funds for the creation of human embryos for research purposes will remain in effect. Federally funded scientists may legally use human embryonic stem cells in their research, but current appropriations language prohibits the use of Federal funds to derive these cells from embryos. Because it appears that human stem cells will be available from the private sector (this can currently occur because we have no control over private sector activities in this regard), such research is permissible under the current Congressional ban on human embryo research and the recommendation of the Commission does not necessitate legal actions at this time.**
- Q. Is the President rejecting the Commission's recommendations?**
- A. The President agrees with the Commission's conclusions that the potential medical benefits of human stem cells are compelling and that the research should go forward under strict ethical standards. But we believe that it is not necessary at this time, given the availability of stem cells from the private sector, to urge a change in the current law to permit government-funded scientists to derive human stem cells. The Commission is still working on their final report but we appreciate the enormous effort they have already put into their deliberations.**

Context: *The National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) is close to completion of their recommendations for their report on the ethical and medical issues associated with the research use of human embryonic stem cells. The Commission will recommend that the derivation of human embryonic stem cells, as well as their use, be eligible for Federal funding. That would require that an exception be made to the current Congressional ban on the use of Federal funds for human embryo research to permit the derivation of these cells. Stories ran in today's Washington Post, AP and Boston Globe. The Globe article quotes Congressman Dickey in restating his plan to seek legislation banning use of human stem cells, "The battle is still on." Senator Specter was quoted yesterday in USA Today saying that, although it will be controversial, the Senate is likely to support research using these cells.*

General

- Last November, the President asked his National Bioethics Advisory Commission to undertake a thorough review of all of the ethical and medical considerations associated with human stem cell research. In the ensuing months, a national dialogue took place highlighting the potential applications of stem cells for treating people with diabetes, heart disease, Parkinson's disease, cancer, and spinal cord injury. Ethical issues were also central to this debate, including a wide range of religious and philosophical views that are a part of the fabric of our democratic culture.
- The National Bioethics Advisory Commission is nearing completion of their report to the President, expected in the next two weeks. The Commission will recommend that the use of human embryonic stem cells for research, as well as their derivation, be eligible for Federal funding. The use of Federal funds for the derivation of stem cells from human embryos is currently prohibited under the Congressional ban on human embryo research. The Commission opposes the creation of human embryos for research purposes through in vitro fertilization.
- Rep. Dickey and the House Pro-Life Caucus oppose both use and derivation of human embryonic stem cells for research, and will attempt to pass legislation in the House specifically banning the use of Federal funds for those purposes. However, Sen. Specter predicts that the Senate will support allowing Federal funds to allow this research to proceed.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 14, 1999

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Statement by the Press Secretary

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The President acknowledges the hard work of Chairman Dr. Harold Shapiro and other members of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission in their thoughtful consideration of a complex and sensitive matter.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JUL-1999 12:38:37.00

SUBJECT: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

TO: Thomas A. Kalil (CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====

ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

TEXT:

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HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS
July 15, 1999

- Q. The National Bioethics Advisory Commission will recommend that research involving the use and derivation of stem cells from human embryos be eligible for Federal funding. Derivation is currently prohibited under the Congressional ban on human embryo research. What is your position on this recommendation?**
- A. The Clinton Administration recognizes that the potential medical benefits of human stem cell technology are compelling and worthy of pursuit, so long as the research is conducted according to the highest ethical standards. NIH is putting in place guidelines and an oversight system that will ensure that the cells are obtained in an ethically sound manner. The President's 1994 ban on the use of Federal funds for the creation of human embryos for research purposes will remain in effect. Federally funded scientists may legally use human embryonic stem cells in their research, but current appropriations language prohibits the use of Federal funds to derive these cells from embryos. Because it appears that human stem cells will be available from the private sector (this can currently occur because we have no control over private sector activities in this regard), such research is permissible under the current Congressional ban on human embryo research and the recommendation of the Commission does not necessitate legal actions at this time.**
- Q. Is the President rejecting the Commission's recommendations?**
- A. The President agrees with the Commission's conclusions that the potential medical benefits of human stem cells are compelling and that the research should go forward under strict ethical standards. But we believe that it is not necessary at this time, given the availability of stem cells from the private sector, to urge a change in the current law to permit government-funded scientists to derive human stem cells. The Commission is still working on their final report but we appreciate the enormous effort they have already put into their deliberations.**

Context: *The National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) is close to completion of their recommendations for their report on the ethical and medical issues associated with the research use of human embryonic stem cells. The Commission will recommend that the derivation of human embryonic stem cells, as well as their use, be eligible for Federal funding. That would require that an exception be made to the current Congressional ban on the use of Federal funds for human embryo research to permit the derivation of these cells. Stories ran in today's Washington Post, AP and Boston Globe. The Globe article quotes Congressman Dickey in restating his plan to seek legislation banning use of human stem cells, "The battle is still on." Senator Specter was quoted yesterday in USA Today saying that, although it will be controversial, the Senate is likely to support research using these cells.*

General

- Last November, the President asked his National Bioethics Advisory Commission to undertake a thorough review of all of the ethical and medical considerations associated with human stem cell research. In the ensuing months, a national dialogue took place highlighting the potential applications of stem cells for treating people with diabetes, heart disease, Parkinson's disease, cancer, and spinal cord injury. Ethical issues were also central to this debate, including a wide range of religious and philosophical views that are a part of the fabric of our democratic culture.
- The National Bioethics Advisory Commission is nearing completion of their report to the President, expected in the next two weeks. The Commission will recommend that the use of human embryonic stem cells for research, as well as their derivation, be eligible for Federal funding. The use of Federal funds for the derivation of stem cells from human embryos is currently prohibited under the Congressional ban on human embryo research. The Commission opposes the creation of human embryos for research purposes through in vitro fertilization.
- Rep. Dickey and the House Pro-Life Caucus oppose both use and derivation of human embryonic stem cells for research, and will attempt to pass legislation in the House specifically banning the use of Federal funds for those purposes. However, Sen. Specter predicts that the Senate will support allowing Federal funds to allow this research to proceed.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

**For Immediate Release
July 14, 1999**

Contact 202/456-6047

Statement by the Press Secretary

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The Clinton Administration recognizes that human stem cell technology's potential medical benefits are compelling and worthy of pursuit, so long as the research is conducted according to the highest ethical standards. NIH is putting in place guidelines and an oversight system that will ensure that the cells are obtained in an ethically sound manner. The President's 1994 ban on the use of Federal funds for the creation of human embryos for research purposes will remain in effect. No other legal actions are necessary at this time, because it appears that human embryonic stem cells will be available from the private sector. Publicly funded research using these cells is permissible under the current Congressional ban on human embryo research.

The President acknowledges the hard work of Chairman Dr. Harold Shapiro and other members of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission in their thoughtful consideration of a complex and sensitive matter.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JUL-1999 09:58:17.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell.WH Statement

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

----- Forwarded by Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP on 07/15/99
09:58 AM -----

Tim Leshan <TLESHAN@ascb.org>

07/15/99 07:06:18 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP

cc: Rachel E. Levinson/OSTP/EOP

Subject: WH Statement

Barbara - I understand the White House has or will have a statement on the NBAC report. Would you send me a copy? I would also like to talk with you and or Rachel about a possible WH meeting with the groups before the August recess. We all met yesterday and I think folks are motivated to work during the recess on the stem cell issue, but a meeting called by Chris Jennings would be a helpful rallying point. Thanks

Tim Leshan

Director of Public Policy

American Society for Cell Biology

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: John H. Corcoran III (CN=John H. Corcoran III/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:16-JUL-1999 09:51:26.00

SUBJECT: American Society For Cell Biology

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander (CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Devorah-- Here's a letter for your policy approval which is going out individually to 33 Nobel Laureates. Thanks!

/home/texts/slr/draft/ascb.jhc

Batch to: The American Society For Cell Biology

Thank you for your letter in regards to the human "pluripotent" stem cell issue. I appreciate your thoughts and input on this important matter, and I have forwarded your correspondence to my advisors in the Domestic Policy Council who handle this issue.

I believe that my Administration's proposed investments in research and development will enable us to meet our goal of sustaining the health of the American people by reinforcing our commitment to combating disease through biomedical research. I agree with you that funding for biomedical research is important, and I have included \$15.9 billion for the National Institutes of Health in my proposed fiscal 2000 federal budget. Further advances in research and development are necessary if we are to offer all our citizens the opportunity to reach their full potential.

As we work to promote fiscal responsibility, I will continue to fight to ensure that our nation does not turn its back on the health and well-being of our citizens, or the institutions that protect them. You have my best wishes.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Simon Rosenberg <srosenberg@newdem.org> (Simon Rosenberg <srosenberg@newdem.org> [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:16-JUL-1999 10:19:04.00

SUBJECT: RE: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

TO: Thomas A. Kalil (CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I would call Cong. Adam Smith....when you speak to him let me know and I will followup with them and push...it is the right thing to do...in general, their section on an overall committment to r and d needs help...S

-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas_A._Kalil@opd.eop.gov [mailto:Thomas_A._Kalil@opd.eop.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 1999 8:32 PM
To: Simon Rosenberg
Subject: RE: new stem cell guidance -- 7/15

Yes -- it was great to socialize with folks -- the wine was good too!

If we wanted NDN to consider adding increases in IT research to its "e-genda" -- who would be the right person to talk to?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-JUL-1999 10:33:16.00

SUBJECT: stem cell event

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

there is a scheduling meeting at noon and stem cell event will be discussed. Can we say that DPC and OPL are in favor of this event?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karin Kullman (CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JUL-1999 13:13:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

ok, i'll be there too... i just have no idea what it would be about! oh well!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Courtney M. Manning (CN=Courtney M. Manning/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JUL-1999 13:41:10.00

SUBJECT: Meeting on Substance of Stem cell Research Event

TO: Stephanie A. Cutter (CN=Stephanie A. Cutter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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CC: Ann C. Hertelendy (CN=Ann C. Hertelendy/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We are meeting at 4:00pm to talk about the substance of Monday's stem cell event. The meeting will be in Loretta's office.

In advance of the meeting, we have distributed a memo prepared by OSTP on the purpose and background of the event -- please look out for it.

Call me or Ann Hertelendy with questions.

Courtney

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: AMNews <AMNews@unity.ama-assn.org> (AMNews <AMNews@unity.ama-assn.org> [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JUL-1999 04:11:42.00

SUBJECT: July 26: AMNews alert for August 2 issue

TO: Jason E. Franklin (CN=Jason E. Franklin/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

AMNews e-mail alert - Monday July 26, 1999

[For information on unsubscribing or contacting AMNews, see the bottom of this message]

- - - Top stories from American Medical News - - -

Focus shifts to House on patient protection bill
Medical necessity and health plan liability remain the most contentious issues in the House. Medical and consumer groups want a stronger bill than the Senate's.

Vaccines not immune to criticism
In what may be a paradox of success, many physicians are finding that some patients are more afraid of vaccines than of vaccine-preventable illnesses.

These stories and others from the August 2 issue are now on the AMNews Web site:

<http://www.ama-assn.org/amnews>

Other major articles this week:

GOVERNMENT & MEDICINE:

** GAO cites Medicare contractors for fraud

PROFESSIONAL ISSUES:

** Panel takes middle road on stem cell research

MEDICAL MARKETS:

** Chinese hospital: Maintaining the mission

OPINION:

** Let the SELLER beware

ORGANIZED MEDICINE:

** AMA honors innovative public servants

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY:

**** Attention to detail can be the key to a practice's success**

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**** Los Angeles County: Rebuilding on a fault line**

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CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JUL-1999 13:11:37.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Is Chris going to today's 4pm stem cell meeting on the substance of the event?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JUL-1999 13:12:32.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell

TO: Karin Kullman (CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

no, he can't go -- today is too hard for this crap.

I am going.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Dag Vega (CN=Dag Vega/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUL-1999 18:24:49.00

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Press Office Contacts
as of 7/28/99

Wednesday, July 28 BOYS AND GIRL NATION EVENT- Open Press

Press Contact: Dag Vega

Time / Location: 12:40 p.m., East Room

Message: The President will call on Congress to

invest more

in education and will announce new Administration

estimates

of the severe long-term impact on education of the

Republican

tax and budget plans. President Clinton also will

threaten to veto any

tax bill failing to leave room for adequate

investments in education.

WETA IN-PERFORMANCE - Pool Press --Remarks only

for

cameras (no flash), pool in for performance

Press Contact: Brenda Anders

Time / Location: 9:00 p.m., South Lawn Tent

Message: The President will view a performance on

the Legends

of the Blues.

Thursday, July 29 - TRIP TO SARAJEVO

Saturday, July 31 Press Contact: Sarah Gegenheimer

Monday, August 2 STEM CELL RESEARCH EVENT- Press TBD

Press Contact: Elizabeth Newman

Time / Location: TBD

Message: TBD

VIDEOS

Press Contact: Brenda Anders

Time / Location: 11:50 a.m., OEOB 459

Message:

-- Video PSA to Commemorate the 50th

Anniversary of the

Korean War

-- Video for the Sheetmetal Workers,

International Association

-- Video Greeting for the 27th Annual

National Black Nurses

Association Conference

-- Video PSA for United Way of America

-- Video Address for the Congressional

Hispanic Caucus Institute

Annual Gala

MAINE BLACK BEAR EVENT - Press TBD

Press Contact: Victoria Valentine

Time / Location: 6:00 p.m., TBD
Message: TBD

Tuesday, August 3 WELFARE-TO-WORK EVENT - Press TBD
Press Contact: Sarah Gegenheimer
Time / Location: TBD, Chicago, IL
Message: TBD

Wednesday, August 4 NEW MARKETS UNVEILING EVENT - Press TBD
Press Contact: Elizabeth Newman
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

SPORTS EVENT (t) - Press TBD
Press Contact: Mark Kitchens
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

Thursday, August 5 EVENT TBD - Press TBD
Press Contact: Megan Moloney
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

Friday, August 6 - TRIP TO LITTLE ROCK AND ST. LOUIS
Sunday, August 8 Press Contact: Sarah Gegenheimer

Friday, August 6 TAPED RADIO ADDRESS
Press Contact: Megan Moloney
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

Monday, August 9 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF JOINT CHIEFS
EVENT - Press TBD
Press Contact: Dag Vega
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

AMERICORPS GRADUATION CEREMONY - Press TBD
Press Contact: Dag Vega
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

ABA ANNUAL MEETING ADDRESS - Press TBD
Press Contact: Elizabeth Newman
Time / Location: TBD, Atlanta, GA
Message: TBD

Tuesday, August 10 BUSINESS LINK EVENT - Press TBD
Press Contact: Sarah Gegenheimer
Time / Location: TBD
Message: TBD

Wed., August 11 MEDAL OF FREEDOM EVENT - Press TBD
Press Contact: Brenda Anders

Time / Location: TBD

Message: TBD

Thursday, August 12 BIO-ENERGY CLIMATE CHANGE EVENT - Press TBD

Press Contact: Elizabeth Newman

Time / Location: TBD

Message: TBD

Friday, August 13 TAPED RADIO ADDRESS

Press Contact: Megan Moloney

Monday, August 16 VFW CONVENTION ADDRESS - Press TBD

Press Contact: Elizabeth Newman

Time / Location: TBD, Kansas City, MO

Message: TBD

Tuesday, August 17 EVENT TBD - Press TBD

Press Contact: Victoria Valentine

Time / Location: TBD

Message: TBD

Thursday, August 19- POTUS VACATION

Friday, Sept. 3 Press Contact: Sarah Gegenheimer

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Irma L. Martinez (CN=Irma L. Martinez/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUL-1999 11:54:25.00

SUBJECT: Lance Armstrong visit to WH

TO: Sara M. Latham (CN=Sara M. Latham/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Karin Kullman (CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Stephanie A. Cutter (CN=Stephanie A. Cutter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI -- see below. Will he be a candidate to participate in stem cell event? Let me know if a separate visit from him is in the works. Thanks

----- Forwarded by Irma L. Martinez/WHO/EOP on 07/28/99
11:51 AM -----

Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov>

07/28/99 11:50:29 AM

Please respond to esummy@os.dhhs.gov

Record Type: Record

To: Irma L. Martinez/WHO/EOP

cc: Rebecca Werbel <rwerbel@os.dhhs.gov>

Subject: Lance Armstrong visit to WH

Do you know when Lance Armstrong (tour de france winner) will be visiting the WH? NIH is very interested in this visit as he is a cancer survivor. Please let us know.

thanks!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 2-AUG-1999 09:00:41.00

SUBJECT: not much in clips -- coburn/pbor, new stem cell dvlopment -- D

TO: 4042 (4042 @ WHCA [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: B11WDC-OV08B.os.dhhs.gov@hhs-mx01.eop.gov (B11WDC-OV08B.os.dhhs.gov@hhs-mx01.eop.gov [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-AUG-1999 22:01:19.00

SUBJECT: Undeliverable Message

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To:
ISMTP@B11WDC-OV08B@Servers[<Daniel_N._Mendelson@omb.eop.gov>], Melissa Skolfield@ASPA@OS.DC, Ifishback@INVALID@ADDRESS, Elizabeth Summy@IOS.IO@OS.DC
Cc:
Subject: stem cell guidelines

Message not delivered to recipients below. Press F1 for help with VNM error codes.

VNM3042: Ifishback@INVALID@ADDRESS

VNM3042 -- NAME NOT FOUND

Mail cannot deliver the message for one of the following reasons: the appropriate StreetTalk is not available; the recipient's user name was deleted; the recipient's name was not entered correctly. Verify the accuracy of the name entered. If the name you entered is a user name, check to see if the user was deleted. If the name is correct and the user exists, check the connections between the recipient and the sender.

You may see this error if you send a message to a list, but one of the names on the list is incorrect or invalid. Anytime a user is deleted, that user name must be removed from all lists that contain the name.

----- Original Message Follows -----

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-AUG-1999 21:57:28.00

SUBJECT: stem cell guidelines

TO: esummy@os.dhhs.gov (esummy@os.dhhs.gov @ inet [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Daniel N. Mendelson (CN=Daniel N. Mendelson/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: lfishback@os.dhhs.gov (lfishback@os.dhhs.gov @ inet [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: mskolfie@os.dhhs.gov (mskolfie@os.dhhs.gov @ inet [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

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CREATOR: Melissa Skolfield <mskolfie@os.dhhs.gov> (Melissa Skolfield <mskolfie@os.dhhs.gov> [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:16-AUG-1999 10:47:59.00

SUBJECT: re: stem cell guidelines

TO: Ifishback <Ifishback%INVALID%ADDRESS@os.dhhs.gov> (Ifishback <Ifishback%INVALID%ADDRESS@os.dhhs.gov> [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Daniel N. Mendelson (CN=Daniel N. Mendelson/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov> (Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov> [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Yes, that is the plan here as far as I know.

Original Text

From: <Devorah_R._Adler@opd.eop.gov>, on 8/15/99 9:56 PM:
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: John H. Corcoran III (CN=John H. Corcoran III/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-SEP-1999 12:56:20.00

SUBJECT: Anderson Letter & FAX

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander (CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

This one too.... VERY similar to another letter we worked on a few weeks back. thanks

----- Forwarded by John H. Corcoran III/WHO/EOP on
09/01/99 12:55 PM -----

John H. Corcoran III
08/18/99 03:48:17 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Devorah R. Adler/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP
Subject: Anderson Letter & FAX

Devorah-- Here's the email version of the letter I just faxed you, along with the incoming. Please approve. Thank you.

Thank you for your letter in regards to the human "pluripotent" stem cell issue. I appreciate your thoughts and input on this important matter, and I have forwarded your correspondence to my advisors in the Domestic Policy Council who handle this issue.

I believe that my Administration's proposed investments in research and development will enable us to meet our goal of sustaining the health of the American people by reinforcing our commitment to combating disease through biomedical research. I agree with you that funding for biomedical research is important, and I have included \$15.9 billion for the National Institutes of Health in my proposed fiscal 2000 federal budget. Further advances in research and development are necessary if we are to offer all our citizens the opportunity to reach their full potential.

As we work to promote fiscal responsibility, I will continue to fight to ensure that our nation does not turn its back on the health and well-being of our citizens, or the institutions that protect them.

You have my best wishes.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 3-SEP-1999 15:37:03.00

SUBJECT: NBAC stem cell report will arrive on Sept. 7

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: David W. Beier (CN=David W. Beier/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

the attached materials are provided for your comment in advance of the NBAC stem cell report, which we expect will be delivered next Tuesday. NBAC will put it up on the Web as soon as we tell them it has been received. Both documents went through HHS and have Varmus' comments incorporated.

Please note the proposal for a POTUS briefing from NBAC chair Harold Shapiro and Harold Varmus, which would also be next week. Also note that we are NOT suggesting that there be a public event for the NBAC report release or the NIH guidelines publication due to potential negative impact on the HHS appropriations process. Rep. Dickey has drafted approps amendment language restricting funding of implementation of the NIH guidelines.

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====
ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

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Human Embryonic Stem Cells September X, 1999

Context: *In November, 1998, the President asked his National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) to undertake a thorough review of the issues associated with human stem cell research, balancing all ethical and medical considerations. In a report that will be released tomorrow, the Commission recommends that the use of human embryonic stem cells for research, as well as their derivation from embryos donated by individuals being treated for infertility, be eligible for Federal funding. Because the Congressional ban prohibits Federal funding of research using human embryos, NBAC recommends that an exception be made to the ban to permit the derivation of these cells from human embryos. On July 14, the WH issued a statement responding to release of NBAC's draft recommendations endorsing the Commission's view of the importance of stem cell research and the need for Federal funding of research using such cells, and suggesting that there is no immediate need to alter legislation to permit Federal support for derivation of human stem cells from human embryos.*

Background: Human embryonic stem cells, which were first isolated in November 1998 by privately funded researchers, are cells that have the capacity to specialize into virtually all the types of cells of the human body. The range of potential biomedical applications for these cells is enormous—any disease or injury that is caused by or results in damaged or dead cells, such as Parkinson's disease, heart disease, diabetes, and burn and spinal cord injuries, could be treated, or even cured, by transplantation of freshly differentiated stem cells.

The controversy that has surrounded this scientific breakthrough originates from the fact that some of these stem cells were isolated from donated human embryos. Federally funded scientists have been barred from research using human embryos since FY1996 in HHS Appropriations law. This proscription goes considerably further than the President's 1994 ban on the use of Federal funds to create embryos for research purposes. In January 1999, the HHS General Counsel rendered an opinion that federally funded research using human embryonic stem cells is not prohibited under the ban, because stem are not human embryos. The House Pro-Life Caucus sharply criticized this decision, and promised legislative action this year to prevent the use of federal funds to support human embryonic stem cell research.

Q: What is the Administration position on the use of human embryonic stem cells in research?

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Q: What is the Administration position on NBAC's recommendation to modify the Congressional funding ban on human embryo research?

A: The President agrees with the Commission's conclusions that the potential medical benefits of human stem cells are compelling and that the research using these cells should go forward under strict ethical standards. The President clearly stated his position on human embryo research in December 1994 when he issued an executive directive prohibiting the use of NIH funds to create human embryos for research purposes, a position which is also consistent NBAC's recommendations. The President's ban does not prohibit NIH from supporting important stem cell research, under the confines of current law.

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A: No. After the HHS General Counsel issued her opinion that Federal funding of research using human embryonic stem cells is not prohibited, NIH announced that this research would go forward only after NIH guidelines and an oversight process are put into place. The NIH Director established a Working Group of the Advisory Committee to the Director, NIH to develop guidelines and an oversight procedure to ensure that public sector research using human embryonic stem cells is done ethically. NIH's draft guidelines should be published in the Federal Register for public comment in early September.

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[PLEASE COMMENT]

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CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-SEP-1999 14:53:20.00

SUBJECT: Re: NBAC stem cell report

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I was hoping to get comments in before the report arrives this afternoon. I got something back from David last week when I first sent it out. HHS OGC just clarified the reference to their "determination" in the background. NIH and I have gone back and forth on another Q and A dealing with adult stem cells. Then we just need you and Chris.

So - the answer is the sooner the better but 5 would be ideal.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-SEP-1999 14:28:26.00

SUBJECT: NBAC stem cell report

TO: Deborah R. Adler (CN=Deborah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: David W. Beier (CN=David W. Beier/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])

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TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Clifford J. Gabriel (CN=Clifford J. Gabriel/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Holly L. Gwin (CN=Holly L. Gwin/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Arthur Bienenstock (CN=Arthur Bienenstock/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The NBAC report will arrive here later today. We want to pre-clear guidance materials. HHS General Counsel has made some changes to the background section of the attached guidance. Harold Varmus is eager to brief WH on the issue this week. His comments are also incorporated in the attachments.

The report has not changed much from the version we saw in July and concludes that research deriving or using stem cells derived from fetuses or embryos remaining after infertility treatment is ethically acceptable and ought to be eligible for federal funding. The Commission is against creating embryos for research purposes (consistent with President's ban) and believes that an oversight process along the lines that NIH will propose is a must.

NBAC will put the report up on the Web as soon as we tell them it has been received by the WH. We want to be ready with a statement as soon as possible.

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[Insert Q and A on why NIH doesn't just support research on adult stem cells]

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CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-SEP-1999 14:31:58.00

SUBJECT: Re: NBAC stem cell report

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

When do you need comments by?

Devorah

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 16:50:23.00

SUBJECT: two options -- REMEMBER, CHRIS NEEDS TO CLEAR THIS AGAIN

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

yes, that's right -- here it is, properly divided into options. I knew that you would like option one. The question is whether Chris will clear it. Do you need me to interrupt him?

Devorah

----- Forwarded by Devorah R. Adler/OPD/EOP on 09/08/99
04:49 PM -----

Devorah R. Adler
09/08/99 04:46:00 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Rachel E. Levinson/OSTP/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: two options -- REMEMBER, CHRIS NEEDS TO CLEAR THIS AGAIN

EDITS ON STATEMENT

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CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 17:57:27.00

SUBJECT: Re: Anderson Letter & FAX

TO: John H. Corcoran III (CN=John H. Corcoran III/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander (CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 12:27:38.00

SUBJECT: Re: edits on stem cell paper

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

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CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 14:05:03.00

SUBJECT: Re: edits on stem cell paper

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

there have been problems with the network today and you had some yesterday. I wanted to be sure that you saw this and that you might get back to me within the hour. I meet with Neal on this at 3. Thanks

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----- Forwarded by Rachel E. Levinson/OSTP/EOP on
09/08/99 02:03 PM -----

Rachel E. Levinson 09/08/99 12:27:36 PM

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 16:46:06.00

SUBJECT: two options -- REMEMBER, CHRIS NEEDS TO CLEAR THIS AGAIN

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 08:55:30.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hello --

Sorry about this, but Chris and I were up until 1:30 last night working on the President's event today and we did not get a chance to edit the stem cell statement.

I apologize profusely. We should have you something by this morning.

Devorah

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-SEP-1999 10:01:00.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We just put in some edits including a new sentence at the end of in Q. # 2
. We have a request for press guidance that may be due to inquiries. We
are holding off on this until we hear from you. Our idea is to move this
entire package over to the press office and the staff secretary as soon as
we get your sign-off.

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Human Embryonic Stem Cells September X, 1999

Context: *In November, 1998, the President asked his National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) to undertake a thorough review of the issues associated with human stem cell research, balancing all ethical and medical considerations. In a report that released today, the Commission recommends that the use of human embryonic stem cells for research, as well as their derivation from embryos donated by individuals being treated for infertility, be eligible for Federal funding. Because the Congressional ban prohibits Federal funding of research using human embryos, NBAC recommends that an exception be made to the ban to permit the derivation of these cells from human embryos. On July 14, the White House issued a statement responding to release of NBAC's draft recommendations that endorsed the Commission's view of the importance of stem cell research and the need for Federal funding of research using such cells. The White House statement suggested that there was no immediate need to alter legislation to permit Federal support for derivation of human stem cells from human embryos.*

Background: Human embryonic stem cells, which were first isolated in November 1998 by privately funded researchers, are cells that have the capacity to specialize into virtually all the types of cells of the human body. The range of potential biomedical applications for these cells is enormous—any disease or injury that is caused by or results in damaged or dead cells, such as Parkinson's disease, heart disease, diabetes, and burn and spinal cord injuries, could be treated, or even cured, by transplantation of freshly differentiated stem cells.

The controversy that has surrounded this scientific breakthrough originates from the fact that some of these stem cells were isolated from donated human embryos. Since FY1996, HHS appropriations laws have barred Federally-funded scientists from conducting research in which human embryos are subjected to more than minimal risk. This proscription goes considerably further than the President's 1994 ban on the use of Federal funds to create embryos for research purposes. In January 1999, the HHS General Counsel determined that because stem cells are not human embryos, Federally-funded research using human embryonic stem cells is not prohibited under the ban. The House Pro-Life Caucus sharply criticized this decision, and promised legislative action this year to prevent the use of Federal funds to support human embryonic stem cell research.

Q: What is the Administration's position on the use of human embryonic stem cells in research?

A: The Clinton Administration, recognizing that the potential medical benefits of human stem cell technology are compelling and worthy of pursuit, believes that such research, conducted under the highest ethical standards, should be supported with Federal funds. Such stem cell research promises new treatments and possibly cures for many debilitating diseases and injuries, including Parkinson's, diabetes, heart disease, multiple sclerosis, burns, and spinal cord injury. NIH is drafting guidelines and an oversight process for public comment to ensure that human

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Q: Is the NIH currently funding research using human embryonic stem cells?

A: No. After the HHS General Counsel issued her opinion that Federal funding of research using human embryonic stem cells is not prohibited, NIH announced that this research would go forward *only* after NIH guidelines and an oversight process are put into place. The NIH Director established a Working Group of his Advisory Committee to develop guidelines and an oversight procedure to ensure that public sector research using human embryonic stem cells is done ethically. NIH's draft guidelines are expected to be published in the Federal Register for public comment in early September.

Q. Some research has shown that adult stem cells can produce many of the same cells and tissues of the body that could be developed using pluripotent stem cells (stem cells that can specialize into many cell types) derived from human embryos. Why wouldn't NIH just fund research using adult stem cells?

A. There is, in fact, very intriguing research being done to assess the utility and versatility of human stem cells obtained from adults. For instance, the critical role of blood stem cells in replenishing our lifetime supply of red and white blood cells and platelets has been known for some time. Recently, it was shown that stem cells taken from bone marrow could be induced to develop into fat and bone cells. There would be significant advantages to being able to use a patient's own stem cells for repair of missing or worn out tissues because there would be no threat of rejection by the patient's immune system. However, biological differences between stem cells obtained from adults and those from embryos point to serious scientific and technical limitations to the adult stem cell approach. For example, there are no known adult stem cells for many tissues and organs, and others are difficult to locate or to remove without causing serious harm to the patient, such as brain stem cells. Experience with animal research has provided insights into methods for inducing stem cells obtained from early embryos and fetuses to develop into a variety of cell types that may be useful in treating Parkinson's disease, damaged heart muscle following heart attacks, and spinal cord injury.

Although it may be possible to develop cell and tissue therapies using adult stem cells, human

pluripotent stem cells still hold enormous promise. Given the remarkable potential of this line of research, it is vital that all approaches be explored simultaneously. In this manner, researchers can rapidly determine which sources of stem cells are the best for the development of therapies to treat human disease.

Q: How do you think this issue will play out on Capitol Hill?

A: It is possible that Congress will attempt to ban Federal funding for human embryonic stem cell research. Congressman Dickey, Senator Brownback and others have publicly stated their opposition to this research. However, Senators Specter and Harkin and Congressman Porter, the leaders of the Senate and House Appropriations Labor/HHS Subcommittees, have expressed support for Federal funding of stem cell research, citing both the potential biomedical benefits that could be reaped, and the value of ensuring government oversight of this research. Most recently, on July 29, Senator Thurmond and Congressman Bilbray, two conservative Pro-Life Republicans, voiced their support for NIH funding for human embryonic stem cell research.

Q: Where does the public stand on this issue?

A: There is substantial support for using Federal funds for human embryonic stem cell research. Because of the extraordinary promise of this research, patient groups have formed a coalition called Patients' Coalition for Urgent Research (or Patients' CURE) to urge Federal funding of this research. A public opinion survey commissioned by the coalition showed that 74% of the public favored the funding of stem cell research by the NIH. There is also substantial opposition to this research, mostly from so-called "Pro-Life" groups.

**Possible scenario for response to NBAC report and publication of NIH guidelines:
[PLEASE COMMENT]**

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TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])

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TEXT:

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TEXT:

sometimes you're interested in stem cell too.

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