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Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.)***

BTHC III, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

05577Y107
(CUSIP Number)

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December 28, 2006
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS: William Peebles I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): (a) ☐ (b) ☐		
3	SEC USE ONLY:		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): OO		
5	CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e): ☐		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: United States		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER: 2,779,174	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER: 0	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 2,779,174	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 0	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON: 2,779,174		
12	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): ☐		
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 7.87%		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS): IN		

Item 1. Security and Issuer

The class of securities to which this statement relates is common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "BTHC Common Stock"), of BTHC III, Inc. (the "Issuer"), and the principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at 2595 Jason Court, Oceanside, CA 92056.

Item 2. Identity and Background

The identity and background for the person filing this statement and the person enumerated in Instruction C to 13D is as follows:

William Peebles ("Mr. Peebles") is retired. The principal address for Mr. Peebles is 877 Gwyne Ave., Santa Barbara, CA 93111. Mr. Peebles is a citizen of the United States.

During the last five years, Mr. Peebles has not been (i) convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations and similar misdemeanors) or (ii) a party to a civil proceeding or a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding, was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Prior to the transactions reported on this form, Mr. Peeple owned 2,779,174 shares of International Stem Cell Corporation, a California corporation ("International Stem Cell") common stock ("ISC Common Stock"). Pursuant to a share exchange (the "Share Exchange") consummated on December 28, 2006, each share of ISC Common Stock was exchanged for one share of BTHC Common Stock.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

See Item 3 above. Mr. Peebles holds the shares of BTHC Common Stock referenced herein for general investment purposes. Mr. Peebles may purchase additional shares of BTHC Common Stock in private or open-market transactions for investment purposes, or dispose of shares of BTHC Common Stock. Mr. Peebles does not, in his capacity as an investor in securities of the Issuer, have a plan or proposal with respect to any of the matters set forth in paragraphs (a) through (j) of Item 4 of this statement.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

- (a) The responses of Mr. Peebles with respect to Rows 11, 12 and 13 of the cover pages of this Schedule 13D that relate to the aggregate number and percentage of BTHC Common Stock (including but not limited to footnote (1) to such information) are incorporated herein by reference. The figures repeated in Row 13 of the cover pages are based upon 35,321,495 shares, as reported in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Issuer on December 29, 2006.
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- (b) The responses of Mr. Peebles with respect to Rows 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the cover pages of this Schedule 13D that relate to the number of shares as to which Mr. Peebles has sole power to vote or to direct the vote, shared power to vote or to direct the vote and sole or shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition (including but not limited to footnote (1) to such information) are incorporated herein by reference.
- (c) Except as described in this Schedule 13D, during the past 60 days there have been no other transactions in the securities of the Issuer effected by the person referenced in Item 2 above.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

Except as described in this Schedule 13D or the Exhibits hereto, to the knowledge of Mr. Peebles, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships among Mr. Peebles and any other person or entity with respect to any securities of the Issuer, including, but not limited to, the transfer or voting of any shares of BTHC Common Stock, finder's fees, joint ventures, loans or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees or profits, division of profits or loss or the giving or withholding of proxies.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

1. Share Exchange Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2006, by and among International Stem Cell Corporation, Halter Financial Investments and the shareholders of International Stem Cell Corporation. Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K as filed on December 29, 2006.
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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

January 8, 2007

By: /s/ William Peeples

William Peeples

