



**The Business of Stem Cells:
Re-Examining Federal, State and Private Funding and Regulatory
Initiatives**

Wednesday, March 9, 2005, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
Wohlstetter Conference Center, Twelfth Floor, AEI
1150 Seventeenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036

As scientists around the world race to explore the potential of stem cells, the regulatory and research funding picture has become increasingly complex. Critics believe the limitations posed by the U.S. federal stem cell policy have put a damper on public and private research. Other countries are setting up research facilities and have begun luring bio-researchers, many from the United States, to grow these new ventures. In the United States, stem cell institutes that combine private financing with state funding have been established at a number of institutions. A number of states are also spearheading initiatives, such as Proposition 71 in California. Some observers are concerned that efforts by states to supersede federally supported stem cell research will open a regulatory free-for-all.

This conference will discuss the various issues that have arisen in the United States and abroad in response to federal stem cell policy and the slew of recent state initiatives encouraging private investments and public/private partnerships.

- 8:45 a.m. Registration

- 9:00 Introduction: JON ENTINE, AEI and Miami University (Ohio)

- 9:10 **Human Embryonic Stem Cells: Current Challenge and Future Promise**

 Speaker: Dr. JAMES BATTEY, Director NIDCD, NIH Task Force on Stem Cell Research

- 9:45 **Panel I: State Models/Initiatives for Stem Cell Research**

 Panelists: DAVID GOLLAHER, California Health Care Institute
 JOHN GEARHART, Institute for Cell Engineering, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
 CARL E. GULBRANDSEN, Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF)
 CHARLES JENNINGS, Harvard Stem Cell Institute
 WISE YOUNG, Rutgers University's Keck Center for Collaborative Neuroscience

- 11:00 Break

- 11:15 **Discussion on State Initiatives**

- 12:15 p.m. Luncheon

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12:45 **Luncheon Keynote: Beyond Bioethics: New Approaches to the Governance of Human Biotechnology**

Speaker: FRANCIS FUKUYAMA, Bernard L. Schwartz Professor of
International Political Economy, The Paul H. Nitze School
of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins
University

1:30 **Panel II: Private v. Public Financing of Stem Cell Research: Opportunity and Concern**

Moderator: LORI KNOWLES, University of Alberta

Panelists: DEBORA SPAR, Harvard Business School
JOSEPH BOYSTAK, Jefferies & Co.
KEN GIACIN, StemCyte
ROBERT LANZA, Advanced Cell Technology and Wake Forest
University School of Medicine

3:00 Adjournment

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