

July 14, 2006

U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator:

We, the undersigned patient advocacy groups, health organizations, research universities, scientific societies, religious groups and other interested institutions and associations, representing millions of patients, scientists, health care providers and advocates, write you with our strong and unified support for H.R. 810, the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act. We urge your vote in favor of H.R. 810 when the Senate considers the measure next week.

Of the bills being considered simultaneously, only H.R. 810 will move stem cell research forward in our country. This is the bill which holds promise for expanding medical breakthroughs. The other two bills - the Alternative Pluripotent Stem Cell Therapies Enhancement Act (S. 2754) and the Fetus Farming Prohibition Act (S. 3504) - are NOT substitutes for a YES vote on H.R. 810.

H.R. 810 is the pro-patient and pro-research bill. A vote in support of H.R. 810 will be considered a vote in support of more than 100 million patients in the U.S. and substantial progress for research. Please work to pass H.R. 810 immediately.

Sincerely,

A O North America
AAALAC International
AARP
Abbott Laboratories
Acadia Pharmaceuticals
Accelerated Cure Project for Multiple Sclerosis
Adams County Economic Development, Inc.
AdvaMed (Advanced Medical Technology Association)
Affymetrix, Inc.
Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University
Alliance for Aging Research
Alliance for Lupus Research
Alliance for Stem Cell Research
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Alpha-1 Foundation
ALS Association
Ambulatory Pediatric Association

AMDeC-Academic Medicine Development Co.
America on the Move Foundation
American Academy of Neurology
American Academy of Nursing
American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
American Academy of Pediatrics
American Association for Cancer Research
American Association for Dental Research
American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry
American Association for the Advancement of Science
American Association of Anatomists
American Association of Colleges of Nursing
American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
American Association of Neurological Surgeons/Congress of Neurological Surgeons
American Association of Public Health Dentistry
American Autoimmune Related Diseases Association
American Brain Coalition
American Chronic Pain Association
American College of Cardiology
American College of Medical Genetics
American College of Neuropsychopharmacology
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
American College of Surgeons
American Council on Education
American Council on Science and Health
American Dental Association
American Dental Education Association
American Diabetes Association
American Federation for Aging Research
American Gastroenterological Association
American Geriatrics Society
American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering
American Lung Association
American Medical Association
American Medical Informatics Association
American Medical Women's Association
American Pain Foundation
American Parkinson's Disease Association
American Parkinson's Disease Association (Arizona Chapter)
American Pediatric Society
American Physiological Society
American Psychiatric Association
American Psychological Association
American Public Health Association
American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
American Society for Bone and Mineral Research

American Society for Cell Biology
American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics
American Society for Microbiology
American Society for Neural Transplantation and Repair
American Society for Nutrition
American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics
American Society for Reproductive Medicine
American Society for Virology
American Society of Clinical Oncology
American Society of Critical Care Anesthesiologists
American Society of Hematology
American Society of Human Genetics
American Society of Nephrology
American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
American Surgical Association
American Surgical Association Foundation
American Thoracic Society
American Thyroid Association
American Transplant Foundation
Americans for Medical Progress
amFAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research
Arizona State University College of Nursing
Arthritis Foundation
Arthritis Foundation, Rocky Mountain Chapter
Association for Clinical Research Training
Association for Medical School Pharmacology Chairs
Association for Prevention Teaching and Research
Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs, Inc.
Association of Academic Chairs of Emergency Medicine
Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology
Association of Academic Health Centers
Association of Academic Physiatrists
Association of American Medical Colleges
Association of American Physicians
Association of American Universities
Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges
Association of Anatomy, Cell Biology and Neurobiology Chairs
Association of Anesthesiology Program Directors
Association of Black Cardiologists
Association of Chairs of Departments of Physiology
Association of Independent Research Institutes
Association of Medical School Microbiology and Immunology Chairs
Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs
Association of Medical School Pharmacology Chairs
Association of Professors of Dermatology
Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics
Association of Professors of Medicine

Association of Public Health Laboratories
Association of Reproductive Health Professionals
Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry
Association of Specialty Professors
Association of University Anesthesiologists
Assurant Health
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America
Athena Diagnostics
Aurora Economic Development Council
Axion Research Foundation
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Baylor College of Medicine
Baylor College of Medicine Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
Biotechnology Industry Organization
BloodCenter of Wisconsin, Inc.
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Boston Biomedical Research Institute
Boston University School of Dental Medicine
Boston University School of Public Health
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Bristol-Myers Squibb Company
Broadened Horizons, LLC
Brown Medical School
Buck Institute for Age Research
Burns & Allen Research Institute
Burrill & Company
Burroughs Wellcome Fund
C3: Colorectal Cancer Coalition
California Biomedical Research Association
California Institute of Technology
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine
California Wellness Foundation
Californians for Cures
Campaign for Medical Research
Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation
Canon U.S. Life Sciences, Inc.
Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
Cedars-Sinai Health System
Center for the Advancement of Health
Central Conference of American Rabbis
CFIDS Association of America
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science
Charles River Laboratories
Child & Adolescent Bipolar Foundation
Children's Memorial Research Center
Children's Neurobiological Solutions Foundation

Children's Research Institute (Columbus)
Children's Research Institute (Washington)
Children's Tumor Foundation
Childrens Hospital Boston
Christopher Reeve Foundation
City and County of Denver
City of Hope National Medical Center
Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory
Coleman Institute for Cognitive Disabilities, University of Colorado System
Colfax Marathon Partnership, Inc.
Colorado Bioscience Association
Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Columbia University College of Dental Medicine
Columbia University Medical Center
Community Health Partnership
Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals
Connecticut United for Research Excellence, Inc.
Conquer Fragile X Foundation
Cornell University
Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS)
Creighton University School of Medicine
CURE (Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy)
Cure Alzheimer's Fund
Cure Paralysis Now
CuresNow
Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
Dartmouth Medical School
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA
DENTSPLY International
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Discovery Partners International
Doheny Eye Institute
Drexel University College of Medicine
Drexel University School of Public Health
Duke University Medical Center
Dystonia Medical Research Foundation
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Emory University Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing
Emory University Rollins School of Public Health
Emory University School of Medicine
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Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB)
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Fertile Hope
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Florida Atlantic University Division of Research
Ford Finance, Inc.
Fox Chase Cancer Center
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Friends of Cancer Research
Friends of the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research
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Friends of the National Library of Medicine
Genetic Alliance
Genetics Policy Institute
George Mason University
Georgetown University Medical Center
Guillain Barre Syndrome Foundation International
Gynecologic Cancer Foundation
Hadassah
Harvard University
Harvard University School of Dental Medicine
Harvard University School of Public Health
Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Institute, Inc.
Hereditary Disease Foundation
HHT Foundation International, Inc.
Home Safety Council
Howard University College of Dentistry
Howard University College of Medicine
Huntington's Disease Society of America
IBM Life Sciences Division
Illinois State University Mennonite College of Nursing
ImmunoGen, Inc.
Indiana University School of Dentistry
Indiana University School of Medicine
Indiana University School of Nursing
Infectious Diseases Society of America
Institute for African American Health, Inc.
Intercultural Cancer Council Caucus
International Foundation for Anticancer Drug Discovery (IFADD)
International Longevity Center – USA
International Society for Stem Cell Research
Invitrogen Corporation
Iraq Veterans for Cures
Iris Alliance Fund
Iron Disorders Institute

Jacobs Institute of Women's Health
Jeffrey Modell Foundation
Johns Hopkins
Johnson & Johnson
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO)
Joint Steering Committee for Public Policy
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California
Kennedy Krieger Institute
Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology
KID Foundation
Kidney Cancer Association
La Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology
Lance Armstrong Foundation
Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, Georgetown University
Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry
Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute
Loyola University of Chicago Stritch School of Medicine
Lung Cancer Alliance
Lupus Foundation of America, Inc.
Lupus Foundation of Colorado, Inc.
Lupus Research Institute
Lymphatic Research Foundation
Mailman School of Public Health of Columbia University
Malecare Prostate Cancer Support
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation
Marine Biological Laboratory
Marshalltown [IA] Cancer Resource Center
Masonic Medical Research Laboratory
Massachusetts Biotechnology Council
Massachusetts General Hospital
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MaxCyte, Inc.
McLaughlin Research Institute
Medical College of Georgia
Medical University of South Carolina
Medical University of South Carolina College of Nursing
MedStar Research Institute (MRI)
Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Memory Pharmaceuticals
Mercer University
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Miami Children's Hospital
Midwest Nursing Research Society
Morehouse School of Medicine
Mount Sinai Medical Center
Mount Sinai School of Medicine
National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research
National Alliance for Hispanic Health
National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression
National Alliance on Mental Illness
National Alopecia Areata Foundation
National Asian Women's Health Organization
National Association for Biomedical Research
National Association of Hepatitis Task Forces
National Caucus of Basic Biomedical Science Chairs
National Coalition for Cancer Research
National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship
National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease
National Committee for Quality Health Care
National Council of Jewish Women
National Council on Spinal Cord Injury
National Down Syndrome Society
National Electrical Manufacturers Association
National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias
National Health Council
National Hemophilia Foundation
National Hispanic Health Foundation
National Jewish Medical and Research Center
National Marfan Foundation
National Medical Association
National Multiple Sclerosis Society
National Osteoporosis Foundation
National Partnership for Women and Families
National Pharmaceutical Council
National Prostate Cancer Coalition
National Quality Forum
National Spinal Cord Injury Association
National Venture Capital Association
Nebraskans for Research
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New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research
New Jersey Dental School
New York Blood Center
New York College of Osteopathic Medicine
New York State Association of County Health Officials
New York Stem Cell Foundation
New York University College of Dentistry
New York University School of Medicine

New York-Presbyterian Hospital
North American Brain Tumor Coalition
North Carolina Association for Biomedical Research
Northwest Association for Biomedical Research
Northwestern University
Northwestern University, The Feinberg School of Medicine
Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine
Novartis Pharmaceuticals
Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation
Oral Health America
Oregon Health & Science University
Oregon Health & Science University School of Nursing
Oregon Research Institute
Oxford Bioscience Partners
Pacific Health Research Institute
Paralyzed Veterans of America
Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy
Parkinson's Action Network
Parkinson's Disease Foundation
Partnership for Prevention
Pennsylvania Society for Biomedical Research
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America
Pittsburgh Development Center
Princeton University
Project A.L.S.
Prostate Cancer Foundation
Pseudoxanthoma Elasticum International
Quest for the Cure
RAND Health
Research!America
Resolve: The National Infertility Association
RetireSafe
Rett Syndrome Research Foundation
Rice University
Robert Packard Center for ALS Research at Johns Hopkins
The Rockefeller University
Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
Rush University Medical Center
Rutgers University
Salk Institute for Biological Studies
sanofi-aventis
Scleroderma Research Foundation
Secular Coalition for America
Sjogren's Syndrome Foundation, Inc.
Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research (SAVIR)
Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology
Society for Education in Anesthesia

Society for Male Reproduction and Urology
Society for Neuroscience
Society for Pediatric Research
Society for Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Society for Women's Health Research
Society of Academic Anesthesiology Chairs
Society of General Internal Medicine
Society of Gynecologic Oncologists
Society of Reproductive Surgeons
Society of University Otolaryngologists
South Alabama Medical Science Foundation
South Dakota State University
Southern Illinois University School of Medicine
Spina Bifida Association of America
Stanford University
State University of New York at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine
State University of New York Downstate Medical Center College of Medicine at Brooklyn
State University of New York Upstate Medical University
Stem Cell Action Network
Stem Cell Research Foundation
Steven and Michele Kirsch Foundation
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Strategic Health Policy International, Inc.
Student Society for Stem Cell Research
Suicide Prevention Action Network-USA (SPAN)
Take Charge! Cure Parkinson's, Inc.
Targacept, Inc.
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Texans for Advancement of Medical Research
Texas A&M University Health Science Center
Texas Medical Center
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
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The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology
The Biophysical Society
The Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University
The Burnham Institute
The CJD Foundation
The Critical Path Institute (C-Path)
The Endocrine Society
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The Food Allergy Project, Inc.
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The George Washington University Medical Center

The Georgetown University Center for the Study of Sex Difference in Health, Aging and Disease
The Gerontological Society of America
The J. David Gladstone Institutes
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The Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health
The Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing
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The Medical Foundation, Inc.
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research
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The Ohio State University College of Medicine and Public Health
The Ohio State University School of Public Health
The Parkinson Alliance and Unity Walk
The Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene, Inc.
The Rockefeller University
The Schepens Eye Research Institute
The Scientist
The Scripps Research Institute
The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute
The Society for Investigative Dermatology
The Spiral Foundation
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The University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine
The University of Iowa College of Dentistry
The University of Iowa College of Public Health
The University of Mississippi Medical Center
The University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Dentistry
The University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry
The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
The University of Tennessee Health Science Center
The University of Tennessee HSC College of Nursing
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
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The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston School of Medicine
The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center
The University of Toledo Academic Health Science Center
Tourette Syndrome Association
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Tulane University Health Sciences Center
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Union of Concerned Scientists
Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations
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University of Buffalo
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University of California, Berkeley School of Public Health
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Los Angeles School of Dentistry
University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine
University of California, San Diego
University of California, San Francisco
University of California, San Francisco School of Dentistry
University of California, San Francisco School of Nursing
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati Medical Center
University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center
University of Colorado at Denver and HSC School of Dentistry
University of Colorado at Denver and HSC School of Nursing
University of Connecticut School of Medicine
University of Florida
University of Florida College of Dentistry
University of Georgia
University of Illinois
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry
University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Kansas Medical Center
University of Kansas Medical Center School of Nursing
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University of Louisville
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University of Nebraska Medical Center
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University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
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University of North Texas Health Science Center
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