

Preamble

- The following questions were developed for the discussion portion of the conference, moderated by Dr. Zach Hall
- Whereas time did not permit addressing all of them in the context of this conference, they remain of strategic interest and will be the subject of continued consideration



Stem Cell Funding Structures: Discussion Questions

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People

- Training Grants
 - Investigators
 - Technical Support
- Support of Individual Investigators (HHMI)
 - Young investigators
 - Established investigators



Discovery

- Investigator-initiated, curiosity-driven grants
 - What role in overall portfolio?
 - How should they be structured?



Project-driven

- How to structure disease-oriented grants
- Vertical and horizontal
- Long-term support
- Contracts. Private vs. Public
- Translational research



Technologies

- How to bring in scientists from other fields (e.g. engineers, computational scientists, chemists)



Facilities

- What are needs?
- How to accommodate bricks and mortar needs of different institutions and different projects
- Core facilities
- Scientific or clinical structures (networks)



Basic Science/Translational/Clinical

- How to encourage
- Special mechanisms
- Non-profit/commercial partnerships?



For-Profit

- Discovery grants?
- Loans
- Contracts
- Clinical development and pre-clinical

