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BEFORE THE
APPLICATION REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
TO THE
CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE
ORGANIZED PURSUANT TO THE
CALIFORNIA STEM CELL RESEARCH AND CURES ACT
REGULAR MEETING

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4. CLOSED SESSION	NONE
DISCUSSION OF CONFIDENTIAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OR WORK PRODUCT, PREPUBLICATION DATA, FINANCIAL INFORMATION, CONFIDENTIAL SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OR DATA, AND OTHER PROPRIETARY INFORMATION RELATING TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO AGENDA ITEM 3 (HEALTH & SAFETY CODE 125290.30(F) (3) (B) AND (C))	
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CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, MARIA.
WELCOME, EVERYBODY, TO TODAY'S MEETING OF THE ICOC
AND THE APPLICATION REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE. MARIA,
WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

MS. BONNEVILLE: DAN BERNAL. LEONDR
CLARK-HARVEY.

MS. CLARK-HARVEY: HERE.

MS. BONNEVILLE: ANNE-MARIE DULIEGE.

DR. DULIEGE: YES.

MS. BONNEVILLE: YSABEL DURON.

MS. DURON: HERE.

MS. BONNEVILLE: MARK FISCHER-COLBRIE.

DR. FISCHER-COLBRIE: HERE.

MS. BONNEVILLE: FRED FISHER.

DR. FISHER: GOOD MORNING.

MS. BONNEVILLE: ELENA FLOWERS. DAVID
HIGGINS.

DR. HIGGINS: HERE.

MS. BONNEVILLE: STEVE JUELGAARD.

MR. JUELGAARD: PRESENT.

MS. BONNEVILLE: RICH LAJARA.

MR. LAJARA: HERE.

MS. BONNEVILLE: CHRISTINE MIASKOWSKI.

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1 LAUREN MILLER-ROGEN.

2 MS. MILLER-ROGEN: HERE.

3 MS. BONNEVILLE: ADRIANA PADILLA.

4 DR. PADILLA: HERE.

5 MS. BONNEVILLE: JOE PANETTA. AL ROWLETT.

6 MR. ROWLETT: PRESENT.

7 MS. BONNEVILLE: MARVIN SOUTHARD.

8 DR. SOUTHARD: HERE.

9 MS. BONNEVILLE: JONATHAN THOMAS.

10 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: HERE.

11 MS. BONNEVILLE: ART TORRES.

12 MR. TORRES: PRESENT.

13 MS. BONNEVILLE: KAROL WATSON.

14 WE HAVE QUORUM. AND I WANT TO NOTE --

15 MS. CLARK-HARVEY: THIS IS LEONDRA. I
16 THINK YOU MISSED MY PRESENT. YOU MOVED REALLY FAST.
17 SORRY. I'M HERE.

18 MS. BONNEVILLE: THANK YOU. AND I NOTED
19 YOU AS PRESENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

20 LARRY -- I WANT TO NOTE OTHER BOARD
21 MEMBERS WHO HAVE JOINED. LARRY GOLDSTEIN. THANK
22 YOU. AND, J.T.

23 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, MARIA.

24 WE WILL NOW MOVE INTO THE MEETING OF THE
25 APPLICATION REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE. WE HAVE ONE ACTION

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1 ITEM WITH MULTIPLE PARTS TODAY. CONSIDERATION OF
2 APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO DISCOVERY
3 STAGE RESEARCH PROJECT'S PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS OR
4 THE SO-CALLED DISC2. BEGIN WITH A PRESENTATION FROM
5 DR. SAMBRANO. GIL.

6 DR. SAMBRANO: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.
7 SO HOPEFULLY YOU CAN SEE THE PRESENTATION.

8 GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'M GOING TO
9 PRESENT TO YOU THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GRANTS
10 WORKING GROUP RELATED TO OUR LATEST CYCLE OF THE
11 DISC2 PROGRAM. AND BEFORE WE START, AS ALWAYS, WE
12 WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE, INCLUDING OURSELVES, ABOUT
13 OUR MISSION AND OUR GOAL AND WHY WE DO ALL OF THIS,
14 WHICH IS TO ACCELERATE WORLD CLASS SCIENCE TO
15 DELIVER TRANSFORMATIVE REGENERATIVE MEDICINE
16 TREATMENTS IN AN EQUITABLE MANNER TO A DIVERSE
17 CALIFORNIA AND WORLD.

18 AND SO THE DISC2 PROGRAM IS PART OF OUR
19 RECURRING OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE OFFER THROUGHOUT THE
20 YEAR. SO THIS PARTICULAR ONE HAPPENS TWICE A YEAR,
21 AND IT IS AT THE EARLY STAGES OF BRINGING NEW IDEAS
22 TO DEVELOP A SINGLE PRODUCT CANDIDATE. THE SPECIFIC
23 OBJECTIVE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROMOTE THE DISCOVERY
24 OF PROMISING NEW STEM CELL-BASED AND GENE THERAPY
25 TECHNOLOGIES THAT COULD BE TRANSLATED TO ENABLE

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1 BROAD USE AND ULTIMATELY IMPROVE PATIENT CARE. AND
2 SO WE ARE LOOKING HERE FOR PROJECTS THAT WILL
3 UNIQUELY ENABLE HUMAN STEM CELL/PROGENITOR CELL IN
4 SOME WAY OR ARE UNIQUELY ENABLING FOR THE
5 ADVANCEMENT OF STEM CELL-BASED THERAPIES OR FOR
6 DEVELOPING A GENE THERAPY APPROACH.

7 AND THE TYPES OF PRODUCTS THAT CAN COME
8 INTO THIS TYPE OF COMPETITION INCLUDES
9 THERAPEUTICS -- THAT'S WHAT WE SEE MOST OF -- BUT
10 ALSO DIAGNOSTIC DEVICES AND TOOLS. IN BOTH CASES
11 WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR GENERALLY ALIGN WITH LOOKING
12 FOR DEVELOPING A SINGLE CANDIDATE OR SINGLE
13 PROTOTYPE THAT IS IDENTIFIED BY THE END OF THE
14 AWARD, DEVELOPMENT OF A TARGET PRODUCT PROFILE WHICH
15 IS SORT OF AN IDEALIZED SUMMARY OF WHAT THEY HOPE TO
16 ACHIEVE WITH THEIR PRODUCT IF IT'S SUCCESSFUL, AND
17 THEN A PROOF OF CONCEPT OF SOME TYPE.

18 SO FOR A THERAPEUTIC, SHOWING THAT DISEASE
19 MODIFYING ACTIVITY OCCURS WITH THE THERAPEUTIC.
20 THAT MEANS IT HAS AN EFFECT ON THE INTENDED DISEASE.
21 OR FOR A TOOL, FOR EXAMPLE, SOME KIND OF PROOF OF
22 CONCEPT THAT THE TOOL WORKS AS INTENDED.

23 AND SO THIS DISC2 CANDIDATE DISCOVERY
24 PROGRAM FITS IN WITHIN OUR PIPELINE. AND JUST HERE
25 SIMPLY TO SHOW YOU THE APPROXIMATE TIME. SO 24

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1 MONTHS IS WHAT WE CURRENTLY ALLOW FOR THE DISC2
2 PROGRAM. THAT IS GOING TO CHANGE TO THREE YEARS IN
3 THE NEXT ROUND. FOR THE TRANSLATIONAL PROGRAMS THAT
4 ACHIEVE A SINGLE CANDIDATE AND QUALIFY FOR TRAN,
5 THAT'S ANOTHER 24 TO 30 MONTHS TO GET THEM TO A
6 PRE-IND MEETING, AND THEN SUBSEQUENT TO THAT, IF
7 THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL THERE, THEY CAN QUALIFY FOR
8 POTENTIALLY A CLIN1 AWARD TO DO IND-ENABLING WORK.
9 AND THAT'S ANOTHER 24 MONTHS. SO HERE SIMPLY TO SAY
10 THAT AT THIS STAGE APPLICANTS ARE STILL GOING TO BE
11 AT LEAST SIX YEARS AWAY FROM GETTING TO THE CLINIC
12 FOR THESE PROGRAMS. SO STILL PRETTY EARLY PHASE.

13 SO AS PERTAINS TO THE REVIEW ITSELF, WE
14 CONDUCT THE REVIEW OF THESE APPLICATIONS IN A
15 TWO-STAGE PROCESS, WHICH WE OFTEN REFER TO AS
16 POSITIVE SELECTION. SO IF YOU HEAR THAT TERM, IT'S
17 RELATED TO THE FIRST STAGE OF THE REVIEW.

18 AND SO THIS HAPPENS WHEN WE HAVE A TOTAL
19 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS THAT COME IN THAT EXCEEDS THE
20 CAPACITY OF THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW IN A
21 SINGLE SESSION. SO THAT'S PRETTY COMMON FOR MOST OF
22 THE DISCOVERY COMPETITIONS THAT WE HAVE. SO IN THIS
23 FIRST STAGE, THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP MEMBERS,
24 INCLUDING THE PATIENT ADVOCATE AND NURSE BOARD
25 MEMBERS, AS A PANEL CONDUCT A PREREVIEW OF

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1 APPLICATIONS AND SELECT WHICH ONES TO ADVANCE TO A
2 FULL REVIEW. OF THOSE THAT ARE NOT SELECTED, THE
3 CIRM PRESIDENT AND CIRM TEAM LOOK AND EXAMINE TO SEE
4 IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL ONES THAT WOULD MERIT A
5 FULL REVIEW, AND THE REMAINDER ARE NOT CONSIDERED.

6 SO FOR THIS PARTICULAR ROUND, WE HAD A
7 TOTAL OF 75 ELIGIBLE APPLICATIONS THAT WERE
8 SUBMITTED. WE HAD 13 THAT BYPASSED THIS PROCESS
9 BECAUSE ANYTHING THAT SCORES BETWEEN AN 80 AND AN 84
10 DOESN'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS PROCESS. AND WE
11 ENDED UP WITH A TOTAL OF 54 THAT ADVANCED TO THE
12 FULL REVIEW.

13 SO THE SCORING SYSTEM FOR THESE
14 APPLICATIONS IS BASED ON A SCALE OF ONE TO A
15 HUNDRED. ANYTHING THAT RECEIVES A SCORE THAT'S
16 GREATER THAN 85 IS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING.
17 ANYTHING THAT RECEIVES A SCORE OF, AND THIS IS
18 WRONG, SORRY, 80 TO 84 IS NOT RECOMMENDED, BUT THOSE
19 GET TO THEN BYPASS THE POSITIVE SELECTION PROCESS IF
20 THEY COME IN IN THE NEXT ROUND. AND SO REVIEWERS,
21 WHEN THEY SCORE, KNOW THIS. AND SO THEY GENERALLY
22 TRY TO SCORE APPLICATIONS BETWEEN 80 AND 84 IF THEY
23 WANT TO SEE IT COME BACK AND FEEL THAT THEIR
24 REVISIONS ARE LIKELY TO BE MINOR. ANYTHING THAT
25 SCORES BETWEEN 1 AND 79 IS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR

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1 FUNDING. AND SO THIS IS ALL BASED ON THE MEDIAN
2 SCORE FROM ALL INDIVIDUAL GWG SCORES.

3 THE REVIEW CRITERIA THAT ARE UTILIZED TO
4 GIVE THOSE SCORES ARE BASED ON THESE FIVE QUESTIONS.
5 DOES THE PROJECT HOLD THE NECESSARY SIGNIFICANCE AND
6 POTENTIAL FOR IMPACT IN TERMS OF VALUE THAT IT
7 OFFERS AND IS IT WORTH DOING? IS THE RATIONALE
8 SOUND? IS IT WELL PLANNED AND DESIGNED? IS IT
9 FEASIBLE, INCLUDING WHETHER THEY HAVE THE
10 APPROPRIATE RESOURCES AND A QUALIFIED TEAM? AND
11 DOES THE PROJECT ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF UNDERSERVED
12 COMMUNITIES?

13 SO WE GET TO THIS SLIDE WHICH IS JUST A
14 REMINDER TO ALL OUR BOARD MEMBERS WHO HAVE A
15 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. IF YOUR NAME IS ON THIS LIST,
16 JUST REMEMBER THAT YOU MAY HAVE A CONFLICT WITH ONE
17 APPLICATION, WHICH MEANS YOU SHOULD REFRAIN FROM
18 PARTICIPATING IN VOTING OR DISCUSSION UNTIL THE VERY
19 END.

20 HERE ARE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE
21 GRANTS WORKING GROUP AS IT RELATES TO THIS
22 PARTICULAR CYCLE. SO WE HAD, AS MENTIONED, 54
23 APPLICATIONS THAT WERE REVIEWED BY THE PANEL.
24 SEVENTEEN OF THOSE APPLICATIONS WERE RECOMMENDED FOR
25 FUNDING BECAUSE THEY RECEIVED A SCORE OF 85 OR

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1 GREATER. AND SO THAT TOTAL APPLICANT REQUEST FROM
2 THE 17 APPLICATIONS IS ABOUT 22 MILLION. THE FUNDS
3 AVAILABLE IN THE DISCOVERY PILLAR IS ALMOST 58
4 MILLION, BUT THAT INCLUDES THE DISC-0 AMOUNT AS
5 WELL. SO THERE'S INTENTIONALLY MORE MONEY HERE
6 BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE ANOTHER COMPETITION FOR THE
7 DISC-0. THAT'S THE NEW EARLY FOUNDATIONAL BIOLOGY
8 YET TO COME TO YOU. AND THEN 37 APPLICATIONS WERE
9 NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING UNDER THIS CYCLE.

10 SOME OF THE APPLICATIONS THAT ARE REVIEWED
11 AND SCORED QUALIFY FOR WHAT IS CALLED A MINORITY
12 REPORT. SO UNDER PROP 14 ANY APPLICATION THAT IS
13 NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING BY THE GRANTS WORKING
14 GROUP, MEANING THAT IT SCORED BELOW 85, BUT WHICH
15 HAD 35 PERCENT OR MORE OF THE MEMBERS SCORE TO FUND
16 THE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A MINORITY REPORT. AND
17 SO THE MINORITY REPORT IS INCLUDED IN THE REVIEW
18 SUMMARY AND PROVIDES A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE OPINION
19 OF THE REVIEWERS THAT SCORED THAT APPLICATION 85 OR
20 GREATER.

21 AND SO FOR THIS ROUND WE HAVE FOUR
22 APPLICATIONS THAT QUALIFIED FOR A MINORITY REPORT,
23 AND I WILL REVIEW THOSE INDIVIDUALLY AND GO INTO
24 MORE DETAIL. BEFORE I DO, I WANT TO JUST MENTION
25 THE CIRM TEAM RECOMMENDATIONS AS IT RELATES TO THE

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1 CYCLE. I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT WHEN WE HAVE
2 APPLICATIONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT QUALIFY FOR A
3 MINORITY REPORT, THE CIRM TEAM EXAMINES THE
4 APPLICATIONS JUST TO DETERMINE IF WE HAVE ANY
5 RECOMMENDATION ONE WAY OR THE OTHER FOR THIS.
6 GENERALLY WHAT WE DO IS WE RECOMMEND THAT APPLICANTS
7 REVISE THEIR APPLICATION TO ADDRESS REVIEWER
8 CONCERNS AND SUBMIT IN THE NEXT CYCLE. WE OFFER THE
9 DISC2 TWICE A YEAR WITH THE GOAL OF BRINGING AND, AS
10 NOTED EARLIER, THERE ARE MANY RESUBMISSIONS THAT
11 COME INTO THE CYCLE, MANY WHO SCORED BETWEEN 80 AND
12 84, THAT GETS BYPASSED THAT INITIAL STAGE OF REVIEW
13 AND ARE ABLE TO COME IN. SO THE NEXT CYCLE DEADLINE
14 IS GOING TO BE AUGUST 2D. SO ANYONE THAT DOES NOT
15 GET FUNDED IN THIS CYCLE CAN CERTAINLY COME IN
16 AUGUST 2D. AND THOSE THAT SCORED BETWEEN 80 AND 84
17 GET TO BYPASS THAT FIRST STAGE. THERE'S 11
18 APPLICATIONS THAT QUALIFY FOR THAT.

19 NOW, IN SOME CASES WHEN WE REVIEW THE
20 MINORITY REPORTS AND THOSE APPLICATIONS THAT ARE
21 NEAR THAT FUNDING LINE, THERE ARE APPLICATIONS THAT
22 OTHERWISE ARE MERITORIOUS BUT HAVE CONCERNS THAT
23 REALLY CAN'T BE ADDRESSED IN A RESUBMISSION AND
24 WHERE THOSE CONCERNS WOULD NOT NECESSARILY IMPEDE
25 ACHIEVING THE GOALS OF THE DISC2 PROGRAM. AND SO

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1 WHEN WE COME ACROSS THOSE TYPES OF APPLICATIONS, WE
2 MAY MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO GO AHEAD AND FUND
3 THOSE. AND SO WE HAVE TWO THAT MET THOSE CRITERIA
4 FOR US.

5 SO THOSE ARE APPLICATION 13510 AND 13475,
6 AND SO I WILL GO INTO MORE DETAIL ABOUT EACH OF
7 THESE IN THE NEXT FEW SLIDES.

8 SO THE FIRST ONE IS RELATED TO APPLICATION
9 DISC2-13510. THIS APPLICATION RECEIVED A SCORE OF
10 84 AND WE HAD BASICALLY A TIE. THERE WERE SEVEN
11 MEMBERS THAT SCORED 85 OR ABOVE AND SEVEN MEMBERS
12 THAT SCORED BELOW 85 WITH A RANGE OF 80 TO 90.

13 SO THE TITLE OF THIS APPLICATION IS "A
14 HEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL-BASED APPROACH TO TREAT HIV
15 EMPLOYING CAR-T CELLS AND ANTI-HIV BROADLY
16 NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODIES." SO CLEARLY THIS IS FOR AN
17 INDICATION OF HIV INFECTION. THE PRODUCT IS A CELL
18 AND GENE THERAPY THAT BASICALLY INVOLVES
19 HEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELLS THAT WOULD BE TRANSPLANTED
20 IN ORDER TO PRODUCE CAR-T CELLS THAT WOULD ACT
21 AGAINST HIV AS WELL AS PRODUCE B-CELLS OR PLASMA
22 CELLS THAT SECRETE BROADLY NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODIES
23 TO ALSO ACT ON ANY FREE HIV VIRUS AND HOPEFULLY
24 SURVEILL AND MAINTAIN THE LATENT RESERVOIR AT BAY.

25 SO THAT IS THAT APPLICATION. SO LET ME

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1 PRESENT TO YOU THE SUMMARY OF THE MINORITY REPORT.
2 SO THE MINORITY REPORT FOR THIS APPLICATION STATES
3 THAT SEVEN GRANTS WORKING GROUP PANELISTS SCORED THE
4 APPLICATION 85 TO 90. SEVEN SCORED THE APPLICATION
5 80 TO 83. OVERALL MOST OF THE PANELISTS VOTED YES
6 ON WHETHER THE APPLICATION HAD MET EACH OF THE FIVE
7 REVIEW CRITERIA, AND THE SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT
8 WOULD ADDRESS AN UNMET NEED. THE RATIONALE IS
9 SOUND. THE PROJECT IS WELL PLANNED, AND IT'S
10 FEASIBLE AND ADDRESSES NEEDS OF THE UNDERSERVED.

11 THOSE WHO SCORED BETWEEN 85 AND 90 WERE
12 OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE DUAL TRANSGENE APPROACH USING
13 BOTH THE CAR-T AND NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODIES, NOTING
14 THAT CAR-T THERAPIES DEVELOPED TO DATE FOR HIV HAD
15 SHOWN SOME EFFECTIVENESS. THESE HIGH SCORING
16 PANELISTS HAD SIMILAR THOUGHTS ABOUT THE RISKS OF
17 FAILURE AS LOWER SCORING PANELISTS, BUT THIS
18 COMBINED WITH ENTHUSIASM FOR THE POTENTIAL PAYOFF
19 FOR PATIENTS. ONE HIGH SCORING PANELIST WROTE, THE
20 PROJECT IS A PRECLINICAL PROOF OF CONCEPT RELEVANT
21 IN IN-VITRO AND IN-VIVO MODELS. IT REPRESENTS AN
22 IMPORTANT STAGE BRIDGING DISCOVERY AND TRANSLATION.

23 THE PANELISTS WHO SCORED 80 TO 83 TO NOT
24 RECOMMEND FOR FUNDING NOTED THE CONCERNS THAT THE
25 THERAPEUTIC HSC'S WOULD NOT PROPERLY DIFFERENTIATE

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1 INTO AT ALL TYPES OF MATURE T CELLS IN-VIVO,
2 THEREFORE, LIMITING THE SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF THE
3 THERAPY.

4 SO THIS APPLICATION WAS A RESUBMISSION,
5 MEANING THAT IT'S BEEN SEEN BEFORE BY THE PANEL.
6 AND THE CONCERNS FROM THE REVIEWERS RELATE TO THE
7 POTENTIAL SAFETY OF A FUTURE CANDIDATE IF THE VECTOR
8 AND CONSTRUCT WOULD ULTIMATELY INTERFERE WITH
9 APPROPRIATE MATURATION OF T-CELLS. THAT WAS THE
10 DRIVING CONCERN. NOW, A RESUBMISSION MAY NOT BE
11 ABLE TO ADDRESS THIS SPECIFIC CONCERN AS SUCH WORK
12 MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR LATER STAGE OF RESEARCH
13 WHEN THE FINAL CANDIDATE HAS FINALLY BEEN ACHIEVED.
14 SO MAYBE AT THE TRANSLATIONAL STAGE. SO FOR THIS
15 PARTICULAR STAGE OF RESEARCH, CIRM TEAM BELIEVES THE
16 APPLICANTS HAVE AN APPROPRIATE PROPOSAL THAT
17 WOULDN'T NECESSARILY BE IMPROVED BY TRYING TO
18 ADDRESS THAT CONCERN AND WOULD NOT IMPEDE ACHIEVING
19 THE GOALS OF THE DISC2 PROGRAM. SO FOR THIS ONE WE
20 ARE RECOMMENDING FUNDING.

21 THE NEXT APPLICATION IS DISC2-13475. THIS
22 RECEIVED A SCORE OF 84. A NUMBER OF 85 OR ABOVE
23 VOTERS WERE SEVEN VERSUS EIGHT WHO SCORED BELOW.
24 THE TITLE IS "DEVELOPING A GENE THERAPY FOR DOMINANT
25 OPTIC ATROPHY USING HUMAN PLURIPOTENT STEM

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1 CELL-DERIVED RETINAL ORGANOID DISEASE MODEL." AND
2 THE DISEASE INDICATION IS AN INHERITED GENETIC
3 DISEASE CALLED DOMINANT OPTIC ATROPHY. IT IS A GENE
4 THERAPY APPROACH THAT WOULD OVERCOME THE GENE
5 DEFECT.

6 THE PROPOSAL ITSELF IS LOOKING TO DEVELOP
7 THE APPROPRIATE GENE THERAPY AND TEST THIS IN HUMAN
8 RETINAL ORGANOIDS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE
9 AN EFFECTIVE THERAPY.

10 SO THE MINORITY REPORT FOR THIS ONE READS
11 AS FOLLOWS: SEVEN PANELISTS GAVE THE APPLICATION A
12 SCORE OF 85, RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING. EIGHT
13 PANELISTS SCORED FROM 79 TO 84. NEARLY ALL GRANTS
14 WORKING GROUP PANELISTS AGREE THAT THE APPLICATION
15 MET FOUR OF THE FIVE REVIEW CRITERIA. THE SUCCESS
16 OF THE PROJECT WOULD ADDRESS AN UNMET NEED. THE
17 PROJECT IS WELL-PLANNED. PROJECT PLAN IS FEASIBLE.
18 AND THE PROPOSAL ADDRESSES NEEDS OF UNDERSERVED
19 GROUPS. HOWEVER, THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP WAS
20 DIVIDED NINE VERSUS FIVE ON WHETHER THE APPLICANT
21 MET THE CRITERION 2, THE PROVISION OF A SOUND
22 RATIONALE FOR THE THERAPEUTIC APPROACH.

23 THE EIGHT GRANTS WORKING GROUP PANELISTS
24 WHO SCORED THE APPLICATION 79 TO 84 WERE UNIFORMLY
25 CONCERNED ABOUT USING A GENE REPLACEMENT OR

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1 AUGMENTATION THERAPY FOR DOMINANT MENDELIAN DISEASE.
2 IN A DOMINANT MENDELIAN DISEASE SUCH AS DOMINANT
3 OPTIC ATROPHY OR DOA, A PERSON CARRYING A SINGLE
4 MUTANT COPY OF THE TWO COPIES THAT A PERSON HAS IN
5 THEIR GENOME WILL HAVE THE DISEASE. THE MECHANISM
6 OF DOMINANCE VARIES FROM DISEASE TO DISEASE. IT CAN
7 EITHER BE HAPLO INSUFFICIENCY, MEANING THAT ONE
8 HEALTHY COPY IS INSUFFICIENT FOR HEALTH OR A DOMINANT
9 NEGATIVE WHERE THE MUTATED COPY IS ACTIVELY HARMFUL.
10 AND SO THE MECHANISM OF MENDELIAN DOMINANCE IN THIS
11 PARTICULAR INDICATION IS NOT KNOWN.

12 THE SEVEN PANELISTS WHO GAVE THE
13 APPLICATION A SCORE OF 85 AGREED THAT THE RATIONALE
14 FOR GENE REPLACEMENT WILL BE WEAKER IF THE DISEASE
15 INDICATION HAS DOMINANT NEGATIVE MECHANISM; HOWEVER,
16 THESE PANELISTS WERE OPTIMISTIC BASED ON THE
17 ADMIRABLE AMOUNT OF PRELIMINARY DATA FROM THE
18 PATIENT-DERIVED RETINAL ORGANIDS TRANSDUCED WITH
19 THE CANDIDATE THERAPY IN WHICH THE CELL TYPE THAT
20 DEGENERATES IN DOA APPEAR TO SHOW RECOVERY.

21 SO THIS ALSO IS A RESUBMISSION, MEANING
22 THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP HAS LOOKED AT THIS
23 APPLICATION NOW TWICE. THE CONCERNS FROM REVIEWERS
24 RELATE TO, AS EXPLAINED, THE POSSIBILITY THAT DOA
25 MIGHT BE A DOMINANT NEGATIVE MECHANISM AND,

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1 THEREFORE, MAKING THE THERAPEUTIC MUCH LESS LIKELY
2 TO WORK.

3 NOW, A RESUBMISSION WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO
4 REALLY ADDRESS THIS CONCERN, BUT STUDIES PERFORMED
5 UNDER THE PROPOSAL WOULD CERTAINLY DETERMINE IF THE
6 THERAPEUTIC APPROACH WOULD BE EFFECTIVE OR NOT EVEN
7 IN THE ABSENCE OF KNOWING THE UNDERLYING DOMINANCE
8 MECHANISM. SO, THEREFORE, CIRM TEAM BELIEVES THAT
9 THE BEST WAY TO KNOW IS TO ADVANCE THIS PROJECT, AND
10 WE WOULD RECOMMEND THIS ONE TO MOVE FORWARD AS WELL.

11 THE THIRD MINORITY REPORT IS FOR
12 APPLICATION DISC2-13413. THIS ALSO RECEIVED A SCORE
13 OF 84. THERE WERE SIX MEMBERS WHO SCORED 85 OR
14 GREATER, EIGHT THAT SCORED BELOW 85, WITH A RANGE OF
15 70 TO 85. THE APPLICATION IS ENTITLED, "IN UTERO
16 TREATMENT OF DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY WITH
17 NONVIRAL GENE EDITING FOR PATIENTS WITH DUCHENNE
18 MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY."

19 SO THIS IS GENERALLY A GENE THERAPY
20 APPROACH. MORE SPECIFICALLY, IT'S A LIPID
21 NANOPARTICLE M-RNA COMPLEX THAT WOULD BE INTRODUCED
22 IN UTERO AND HOPEFULLY REACH ALL DIFFERENT AFFECTED
23 ORGANS AND TISSUES IN ORDER TO CORRECT THE
24 DYSTROPHIN MUTATION IN SUCH PATIENTS.

25 AND SO THE MINORITY REPORT FOR THIS ONE

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1 READS AS FOLLOWS: SIX PANELISTS GAVE THIS
2 APPLICATION A SCORE OF 85, EIGHT PANELISTS SCORED
3 BETWEEN 70 AND 84. THE GREAT MAJORITY OF PANELISTS
4 VOTED YES AS TO WHETHER EACH OF THE FIVE CRITERIA
5 WERE MET. OVERALL REVIEWERS IN FAVOR OF FUNDING THE
6 APPLICATION THOUGHT THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT UNMET
7 NEED FOR DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY TREATMENTS AND
8 THOUGHT THAT THE APPROACH OF USING LIPID
9 NANOPARTICLES FOR TARGETED GENE EDITING IN UTERO
10 MADE SENSE. THESE REVIEWERS ALSO THOUGHT THE
11 PRELIMINARY DATA WAS STRONG, THE PROPOSED PROJECT
12 WAS HIGHLY INNOVATIVE, AND THE TEAM WAS WELL
13 QUALIFIED TO COMPLETE THE WORK.

14 ONE SUPPORTIVE REVIEWER NOTED THAT THE
15 DEPENDENCY ON AIM 3, ON THE SUCCESS OF AIM 2 WAS A
16 POTENTIAL RISK FOR THE PROJECT AS NO ALTERNATIVES
17 WERE PRESENTED. GREATEST DIVERGENCE BETWEEN THE
18 HIGH SCORING AND LOW SCORING PANELISTS IS IN THE
19 COMMENTS FOR CRITERION 4, FEASIBILITY OF THE
20 PROJECT. REVIEWERS IN FAVOR OF FUNDING THOUGHT THE
21 TIMELINE WAS FEASIBLE AND THE TEAM WAS QUALIFIED.
22 REVIEWERS NOT IN FAVOR OF FUNDING SAID THE PROJECT
23 WAS TOO AMBITIOUS, UNCERTAIN, OR HAD TOO MANY
24 MILESTONES. NO REVIEWER EXPRESSED DOUBTS OF THE
25 PROPOSED TEAM.

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1 SO, NOW, FOR THIS APPLICATION, THIS IS A
2 FIRST-TIME APPLICANT. SO IT'S NOT A RESUBMISSION.
3 THE APPLICANT, BASED ON THE CRITICISMS, HAS THE
4 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS IN A REVISED
5 APPLICATION BY REEVALUATING THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES
6 AND DESIGN OF THE PROJECT IN ORDER TO MAKE IT
7 CONFORM BETTER TO THE GOALS OF THE DISC2 PROGRAM.

8 NOW, THE APPLICANT WOULD, BECAUSE OF THE
9 SCORE THEY RECEIVED, BYPASS THE FIRST STAGE OF
10 REVIEW. AND THEN THE NEXT CYCLE OF DISC2, AS I
11 MENTIONED EARLIER, DOES OFFER AN ADDITIONAL YEAR OF
12 FUNDING AS WELL AS MORE FUNDS FOR THAT ADDITIONAL
13 YEAR. THAT WOULD HELP, PARTICULARLY IN THIS CASE,
14 ADDRESS THE CONCERNS RELATED TO HAVING TOO MANY
15 ACTIVITIES. SO BASICALLY IT WOULD GIVE THE
16 APPLICANT MORE WIGGLE ROOM TO WORK WITH. SO WE ARE
17 NOT RECOMMENDING THIS PARTICULAR APPLICATION FOR
18 FUNDING.

19 THE LAST MINORITY REPORT RELATES TO THE
20 DISC2-13442. THIS ONE SCORED 83 WITH SIX MEMBERS
21 SCORING 85 OR ABOVE AND EIGHT SCORING BELOW. THE
22 TITLE IS "MICROGEL ENCAPSULATED IPSC-DERIVED
23 NOTOCHORDAL CELLS TO TREAT INTERVERTEBRAL DISC
24 DEGENERATION AND LOW BACK PAIN."

25 SO THIS IS FOR A DISEASE INDICATION WHERE

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1 INTERVERTEBRAL DISC DEGENERATES WITH THE HOPE TO USE
2 A CELL THERAPY THAT WOULD ALLOW SUCH PATIENTS TO
3 GAIN SOME RECOVERY OF TISSUE AND HOPEFULLY AVAIL
4 THEM OF LOW BACK PAIN AS WELL AS ANY FURTHER DAMAGE
5 TO THEIR DISC.

6 SO THE MINORITY REPORT FOR THIS ONE READS
7 AS FOLLOWS: SIX PANELISTS GAVE THIS APPLICATION A
8 SCORE OF 85 TO 86, EIGHT PANELISTS SCORED 80 TO 83.
9 ALL 14 SCORING GRANTS WORKING GROUP PANELISTS AGREED
10 WITH A YES VOTE THAT THE APPLICATION MEETS FOUR OF
11 THE FIVE REVIEW CRITERIA. SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT
12 WOULD ADDRESS AN UNMET NEED. THE RATIONALE FOR THE
13 APPROACH IS SOUND. THE PROJECT IS FEASIBLE. AND
14 THE PROPOSAL ADDRESSES THE NEEDS OF UNDERSERVED
15 GROUPS. PANELIST VOTES WERE SPLIT NINE TO FIVE ON
16 WHETHER THE APPLICATION MEETS REVIEW CRITERION 3 FOR
17 A WELL-PLANNED AND WELL-DESIGNED PROJECT. PANELISTS
18 WHO SCORED THE APPLICATION 80 TO 83 EMPHASIZED THE
19 IMPORTANCE OF ADDITIONAL PRELIMINARY DATA
20 DEMONSTRATING THE CELL PRODUCT FUNCTIONALITY IN ITS
21 FINAL FORMULATION.

22 THE PANELISTS THAT SCORED 85 OR 86 WERE
23 FAVORABLY IMPRESSED WITH THE STUDY RATIONALE AND THE
24 APPLICANT'S PUBLISHED STUDY RESULTS SHOWING
25 DERIVATION OF NOTOCHORDAL CELLS FROM IPSC'S. THESE

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1 PANELISTS ALSO MADE POSITIVE COMMENTS ABOUT THE
2 STRENGTH OF THE PRELIMINARY DATA GENERALLY AND THE
3 FEASIBILITY OF THE PROJECT. HIGH SCORING PANELISTS
4 ACKNOWLEDGED THE NEED FOR SUPPORTIVE DATA FROM
5 STUDIES USING THE FINAL CANDIDATE PRODUCT, BUT
6 THOUGHT THAT THE PRODUCT PLAN PUT THE APPLICANT IN
7 GOOD STEAD TO COLLECT THIS DATA DURING THE PROJECT
8 PERIOD.

9 SO HERE WE HAVE AN APPLICATION, THIS IS
10 NOT A RESUBMISSION. THIS IS A FIRST-TIME
11 APPLICATION. THE APPLICANT HAS, BASED ON THE
12 CRITIQUE, CONCERNS THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED IN A
13 REVISED APPLICATION BY PROVIDING ADDITIONAL DATA AS
14 WELL AS RESPONDING TO SOME OF THE CONCERNS RAISED BY
15 REVIEWERS, INCLUDING THE FORMULATION OF THE
16 CANDIDATE. SO WE ARE NOT RECOMMENDING THIS
17 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING.

18 AND THAT CONCLUDES THE MINORITY REPORT
19 SUMMARIES. GIVE ME JUST ONE SECOND. I WILL PUT UP
20 THE EXCEL SHEET THAT SHOWS ALL OF THE APPLICATIONS.
21 SO THIS IS ALSO SHOWN IN YOUR MATERIALS. THIS IS
22 THE RANK ORDER OF ALL THE APPLICATIONS. THERE ARE
23 17 IN GREEN THAT ARE RECOMMENDED BY THE GRANTS
24 WORKING GROUP. THE FOUR APPLICATIONS THAT RECEIVED
25 A MINORITY REPORT, THE TWO THAT THE CIRM TEAM IS

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1 RECOMMENDING ARE THESE TWO HERE, 13510, 13475, AND
2 THEN BELOW ALL THAT ARE THE ONES THAT SCORED -- THAT
3 DID NOT RECEIVE A MINORITY REPORT OR SCORED BELOW
4 80. ALL RIGHT. SO, MR. CHAIRMAN, BACK TO YOU.

5 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
6 GIL. SO HERE'S HOW THIS IS GOING TO WORK,
7 EVERYBODY. THE FIRST THING I'M GOING TO DO IS ASK
8 IF THERE ARE ANY MOTIONS TO MOVE ANY OF THE PROJECTS
9 CURRENTLY IN THE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING LIST UP
10 TO THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING GROUP. IF THERE ARE
11 NONE, WE WILL PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO ENTERTAIN AN
12 OMNIBUS MOTION TO APPROVE THOSE IN THE TOP TIER. IF
13 THERE ARE SOME THAT ARE MOVED TO MOVE UP TO THE TOP
14 TIER, WE WILL FIRST VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO MOVE
15 THEM UP AND THEN PROCEED TO THE OMNIBUS MOTION ON
16 ALL OF THE GRANTS IN THE TOP TIER. AND FOLLOWING
17 THAT VOTE, WE WILL CLOSE OUT THE VOTING BY A VOTE TO
18 NOT RECOMMEND FOR FUNDING THE REMAINING PROJECTS IN
19 THE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE.

20 SO THE FIRST --

21 MS. BONNEVILLE: J.T., REALLY QUICKLY,
22 JUST AS A REMINDER, YOU MIGHT WANT TO ALSO ASK IF
23 THERE ANY IN THE FUNDED THAT PEOPLE FEEL SHOULD NOT
24 BE FUNDED. SO THAT'S AN EXTRA STEP. SORRY ABOUT
25 THAT.

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1 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU. YES.

2 SO FIRST QUESTION. WOULD ANYBODY LIKE TO
3 MOVE ANY OF THOSE PROJECTS CURRENTLY NOT RECOMMENDED
4 FOR FUNDING UP TO THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING TIER?

5 DR. SOUTHARD: I MOVE WE FOLLOW THE STAFF
6 RECOMMENDATION AND MOVE THE TWO THAT THEY RECOMMEND
7 TO THE FUNDED CATEGORY.

8 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: MOVED BY MARV SOUTHARD.
9 DO WE HAVE A SECOND?

10 MR. ROWLETT: I SECOND.

11 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: AL, THAT WAS YOU?

12 MR. ROWLETT: YES, IT WAS.

13 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WE GOT A LITTLE FEEDBACK
14 THERE. OKAY. THANK YOU. OKAY.

15 IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION BY MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD ON THIS MOTION?

17 MS. BONNEVILLE: ANNE-MARIE HAS HER HAND
18 RAISED.

19 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: ANNE-MARIE AND THEN
20 FRED. ANNE-MARIE.

21 DR. DULIEGE: THANK YOU. FIRST, GIL AND
22 THE CIRM TEAM, CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN FOR AN
23 EXCELLENT PROCESS. I WON'T BELABOR THE POINT, JUST
24 GO RIGHT TO THE POINT AND MAXIMIZE OUR TIME AND
25 EXPERTISE AND YOUR TIME AND EXPERTISE.

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1 FOR THESE TWO THAT ARE RECOMMENDED, I'M A
2 LITTLE PUZZLED BY THE FACT THAT THE DISCUSSION FROM
3 THE GWG WAS ABOUT, IF I UNDERSTOOD CORRECTLY, THE
4 SCIENTIFIC RATIONALE. AT LEAST FOR THE SECOND ONE,
5 THE BLINDNESS ONE, COULD YOU EXPAND ON IT A LITTLE
6 BIT? IS THERE ENOUGH RATIONALE IN THE MIDST OF THE
7 UNCERTAINTY, SCIENTIFIC UNCERTAINTY, TO THINK THAT
8 THIS WOULDN'T BE WASTED MONEY? DO YOU THINK THAT
9 THE POWER OF GENETICS IS ENOUGH? THAT'S MY FIRST
10 QUESTION FOR THE BLINDNESS ONE. I CAN'T REMEMBER
11 THE EXACT TERM HERE, THE RETINAL ORGANOID DISEASE
12 MODEL.

13 AND THE SECOND IS BACK TO THE HIV ONE.
14 WHAT IS THE GOAL OF THIS PROJECT? IS IT TO CURE
15 HIV, OR IS IT TO PERFORM BETTER THAN
16 ANTIRETROVIRALS? IN THE FIRST CASE I THINK THERE'S
17 A SCIENTIFIC RATIONALE. IN THE SECOND CASE I'M A
18 LITTLE LESS CLEAR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
19 CLARIFICATION, GIL.

20 DR. SAMBRANO: SURE. ABSOLUTELY. SO FOR
21 THE DOMINANT OPTIC ATROPHY, YES, THERE WERE CONCERNS
22 RAISED AS IT RELATES TO THE RATIONALE OF SOME
23 REVIEWERS, STATING, FOR EXAMPLE, "I DON'T FEEL
24 THERE'S SUFFICIENT JUSTIFICATION FOR USING A RETINAL
25 ORGANOID MODEL INSTEAD OF FURTHER DEVELOPING ANIMAL

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1 MODELS." I THINK THE RATIONALE WAS NOT RELATED TO
2 THE THERAPY ITSELF, BUT GENERALLY THE APPROACH FOR
3 USING THE ORGANOID MODELS VERSUS USING IN VIVO
4 MODEL.

5 WE DON'T HAVE AN OPINION ON THE CIRM TEAM
6 ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. I THINK THEY WERE SPLIT IN
7 TERMS OF THAT OPINION. THE MAJORITY OF THE GRANTS
8 WORKING GROUP FELT IT WAS FINE TO USE THE ORGANOID
9 MODELS. OUR ASSESSMENT OF THIS IN TERMS OF WHY WE
10 ARE RECOMMENDING WAS REALLY FOCUSED ON WHETHER,
11 ASSUMING THAT THINGS WORK OUT, WOULD THEY BE ABLE TO
12 ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF THE DISC2. THERE'S OBVIOUSLY A
13 RISK FOR ALL PROJECTS, BUT WE THOUGHT, YES, THEY
14 COULD ASSUMING THEY WOULD SUCCEED IN THESE STUDIES,
15 AND THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO ADDRESS THE MOST
16 SIGNIFICANT CONCERN FROM REVIEWERS, WHICH WAS
17 RELATED TO THE UNDERLYING DOMINANCE MECHANISM WHICH
18 WE THOUGHT THE APPLICANTS REALLY WOULD NOT BE ABLE
19 TO ADDRESS IN THEIR RESUBMISSION. SO THOSE ARE THE
20 TWO THINGS THAT REALLY DROVE THAT ONE.

21 FOR THE HIV, SO THE GOAL FOR THAT ONE IS
22 TO DEVELOP A THERAPY THAT WOULD PREVENT THE LATENT
23 RESERVOIR FROM EMERGING. SO AS PRO VIRUS EMERGES
24 FROM THAT LATENT RESERVOIR, THERE WOULD BE BASICALLY
25 A MECHANISM OF ONGOING SURVEILLANCE IN ORDER TO

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1 PREVENT THE VIRUS FROM REPLICATING. SO IT WOULDN'T
2 NECESSARILY BE A CURE, MEANING IT WOULDN'T
3 NECESSARILY ELIMINATE THE LATENT RESERVOIR BECAUSE
4 IT DOESN'T SPECIFICALLY TARGET IT, BUT THE IDEA
5 WOULD BE THAT IT WOULD PREVENT IT FROM ADVANCING OR
6 EMERGING.

7 DR. DULIEGE: THANK YOU.

8 DR. CANET-AVILES: GIL, CAN I ADD ONE
9 THING?

10 DR. SAMBRANO: YES, PLEASE.

11 DR. CANET-AVILES: SO WITH REGARDS TO THE
12 APPLICATION WITH -- THE FIRST APPLICATION, ONE OF
13 THE COMMENTS FROM THE REVIEWERS WAS THAT EVEN IF THE
14 PROJECT FAILED, THE MODEL, THE ORGANOID MODEL, WOULD
15 BRING A LOT OF VALUE BECAUSE THERE IS ACTUALLY
16 NOT -- THERE'S KIND OF A BELIEF IN THE FIELD AS TO
17 WHETHER AN ORGANOID MODEL CAN WORK FOR TESTING IN
18 THIS DISEASE BECAUSE THE ANIMAL MODELS ARE NOT GOOD.
19 SO IT COULD BE REASONABLE SPENDING AT THIS LEVEL OF
20 FUNDING, ESPECIALLY IN DISC, TO HAVE AS AN OUTCOME A
21 REALLY GOOD ORGANOID MODEL THAT SUPERSEDES WHAT THE
22 ANIMAL MODELS CAN PROVIDE.

23 SO NO MATTER WHAT, WE THOUGHT THAT THIS
24 COULD BRING VALUE TO THE FIELD, AND THAT WAS
25 ANSWERING DR. DULIEGE'S QUESTION AS WELL.

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1 DR. DULIEGE: VERY HELPFUL. THANK YOU.

2 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: FRED.

3 DR. FISHER: AGAIN, JUST TO BE CLEAR, THE
4 SCORES THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT, THE 15 PEOPLE THAT
5 VOTED FOR 13475 AND THE 14 PEOPLE THAT VOTED FOR
6 13510, THOSE WERE ALL THE SCIENTIFIC REVIEWERS.
7 THOSE DON'T INCLUDE THE VOTES OF ANY ADVOCATES OR
8 NONSCIENTISTS; IS THAT RIGHT?

9 DR. SAMBRANO: SO THE SEVEN VERSUS EIGHT
10 IN TERMS OF THE SCORE IS ONLY THE SCIENTIFIC
11 MEMBERS. HOWEVER, THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP VOTES
12 AGAINST EACH CRITERION MAY INCLUDE SOME OF THE
13 PATIENT ADVOCATE AND NURSE MEMBER VOTES.

14 DR. FISHER: SO, AGAIN, I'M IN NO POSITION
15 TO EVALUATE THE SCIENCE; BUT AS A LAYPERSON IN THIS
16 PROCESS, I'M PLEASED TO SEE THAT OF THE SEVEN PEOPLE
17 THAT SCORED 13510 AT 85 OR ABOVE, THAT THE RANGE
18 WENT AS HIGH AS 90. AND HAVING BEEN THROUGH THESE
19 MEETINGS NOW, SEEING THAT THE PROJECTS THAT HAVE
20 GREAT ENTHUSIASM SCORE WELL ABOVE 85, AND 85 IS LIKE
21 THE BOTTOM IN TERMS OF CONFIDENCE LEVEL, BUT PEOPLE
22 WANT TO SEE IT HAPPEN.

23 AND SO WHEN I'M LOOKING AT THIS, BEING
24 ASKED FOR MY OPINION ABOUT IT, SEEING THAT THE RANGE
25 INCLUDED AT LEAST A 90 IS HELPFUL TO SEE. AND THE

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1 CIRM TEAM'S PERSPECTIVE ABOUT IT IS SUPER HELPFUL.
2 FOR 13475 THE RANGE GOT NO HIGHER THAN 85,
3 AND THE MAJORITY OF THE SCIENTIFIC VIEWERS, A SLIM
4 ONE ALBEIT, VOTED LESS THAN 85. SO I'M HAVING JUST,
5 AGAIN, FROM A LAY POINT OF VIEW BECAUSE I DON'T
6 UNDERSTAND THE SCIENCE THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT,
7 FROM A LAY POINT OF VIEW, I'M JUST CAUTIOUS ABOUT
8 GOING AGAINST THE SCIENTIFIC REVIEWERS, MAJORITY OF
9 WHOM VOTED THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE FUNDED, AND EVEN
10 THOSE THAT VOTED TO FUND IT VOTED WITH THE LOWEST
11 AMOUNT OF ENTHUSIASM FOR FUNDING POSSIBLE.

12 SO I JUST WANTED TO PUT THAT OUT THERE.
13 AGAIN, I'LL RELY ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CIRM
14 TEAM ABOUT THIS. OBVIOUSLY THEY BROUGHT IT TO US
15 AND ARE RECOMMENDING IT FOR REASONS. AND I WILL, IF
16 THIS BODY AGREES THAT THESE SHOULD BE FUNDED, I'LL
17 CERTAINLY VOTE IN FAVOR OF THAT, BUT I JUST WANTED
18 TO EXPRESS WHAT IT'S LIKE AS A LAYPERSON LOOKING AT
19 THIS AND MAKING THE DECISION BASED ON THE
20 INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE.

21 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, FRED.

22 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD? I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD A COUPLE. ONE WITH
24 RESPECT TO THE HIV PROJECT, THE ISSUE OF LATENT
25 RESERVOIR HAS ALWAYS BEEN PARTICULARLY VEXING, AND I

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1 THINK THAT SOMETHING THAT AIMS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT
2 THAT VERY SERIOUS CONCERN IS SOMETHING THAT WE
3 SHOULD BE BEHIND, IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER REASONS
4 ARTICULATED BY GIL.

5 ON THE DOMINANT OPTIC ATROPHY PROPOSAL,
6 FROM A PROGRAMMATIC NOTE, GIL, CORRECT ME IF I'M
7 WRONG, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ANYWHERE IN THE
8 CIRM PORTFOLIO ON THIS PARTICULAR INDICATION; IS
9 THAT CORRECT?

10 DR. SAMBRANO: YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

11 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SO THAT TO ME, IN
12 ADDITION TO THE REASONS THAT GIL REFERENCED AS TO
13 WHY THE TEAM RECOMMENDS FUNDING THAT PARTICULAR
14 PROJECT, IS SOMETHING THAT LEADS ME TO SUPPORT THAT
15 NOTION.

16 ANY OTHER COMMENTS? DO WE HAVE ANY
17 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC? OKAY.

18 MS. BONNEVILLE: THERE ARE NO HANDS
19 RAISED.

20 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. THANK YOU, MARIA.

21 DR. MARKS: J.T., IF I MAY, JUST FOR A
22 POINT OF CLARITY. THE ORIGINAL MOTION DID NOT STATE
23 THE SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS THAT WE ARE CONSIDERING.
24 IT WAS JUST GENERICALLY WHAT THE CIRM STAFF
25 RECOMMENDED. SO FOR CLARITY, CAN WE JUST SPECIFY

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1 THAT THE TWO ARE DISC2-13510 AND DISC2-13475?

2 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: YES. THANK YOU, KEVIN.

3 MS. BONNEVILLE: J.T., WE DO HAVE PUBLIC
4 COMMENT NOW. I JUST WANT TO CONFIRM THAT THIS IS
5 PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT THE TWO APPLICATIONS THAT ARE
6 CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED AND NOT GENERAL PUBLIC
7 COMMENT ON OTHER APPLICATIONS.

8 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. THANK YOU.

9 MS. BONNEVILLE: SO JENNIFER ROSLYN. SO
10 WE'LL START WITH YOU. AND IT'S LIMITED TO THREE
11 MINUTES. SO THANK YOU.

12 DR. WANG: I THINK YOU WERE JUST
13 CONFIRMING IF THE COMMENT RELATED TO THE TWO --

14 MS. BONNEVILLE: THAT ARE CURRENTLY BEING
15 VOTED ON, CORRECT.

16 DR. WANG: NO, MY COMMENT WAS NOT RELATED
17 TO THOSE TWO.

18 MS. BONNEVILLE: OKAY. IF YOU COULD WAIT
19 UNTIL OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT. WE JUST WOULD LIKE TO
20 HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THIS
21 SPECIFICALLY. TIFFANY.

22 DR. PERRY: YES.

23 MS. BONNEVILLE: IS YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT
24 RELATED TO THESE TWO APPLICATIONS?

25 DR. PERRY: SO SORRY. IF YOU COULD REPEAT

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1 THE QUESTION.

2 MS. BONNEVILLE: IS YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT
3 RELATED TO EITHER OF THESE TWO APPLICATIONS? IF
4 NOT, THERE WILL BE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT AVAILABLE.

5 DR. PERRY: NO.

6 MS. BONNEVILLE: THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITY
7 FOR OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT.

8 AND ANNE-MARIE HAS HER HAND RAISED AS
9 WELL.

10 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: ANNE-MARIE.

11 DR. DULIEGE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. VERY
12 USEFUL CONVERSATION.

13 MARIA MILLAN, I WANTED TO ASK YOU A
14 QUESTION IN REGARDS TO THE COMMENT THAT FRED FISHER
15 JUST MADE ABOUT THE APPLICATION ON THE RETINAL
16 ORGANOID DISEASE MODEL, THE ONE THAT IS A LITTLE BIT
17 MORE ON THE CUSP REALLY, AND THAT WOULD HELP ME FOR
18 MY VOTE.

19 DO YOU THINK THAT IT IS JUSTIFIED WITH THE
20 CIRM THAT WE SUPPORT AN APPLICATION, NOT SO MUCH
21 BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT IT'S LIKELY TO BE
22 SUCCESSFUL, BUT BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT, BY DOING
23 THIS EXPERIMENT, THE ENTIRE FIELD AND THAT
24 PARTICULAR DISEASE, WE'LL UNDERSTAND BETTER THE
25 MECHANISM OF DISEASE, IN THIS CASE THE ROLE OF THE

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1 GENETICS IN THE ONSET OF THE DISEASE? CAN YOU HELP
2 US, GUIDE OUR JUDGMENT HERE? THANK YOU.

3 DR. MILLAN: SO, ANNE-MARIE, IN RESPONSE
4 TO THE COMMENT WHICH I THINK I UNDERSTAND FRED'S
5 QUESTION, GIVEN THE RANGE OF THE SCORES AND THE
6 PATTERN OF THE SCORES, DOES THAT SPEAK TO THE
7 STRENGTH OF THE APPLICATION, AND SHOULD THAT BE
8 CONSIDERED OR WAS IT CONSIDERED, MAYBE I'M
9 PARAPHRASING, WHEN WE MADE THE RECOMMENDATION TO
10 RECOMMEND THIS APPLICATION UNDER THE MINORITY REPORT
11 CATEGORY. I WILL JUST START BY SAYING THAT IT'S AN
12 IMPERFECT SCIENCE. WE DO OUR VERY BEST TO GIVE
13 GUIDANCE TO REVIEWERS, AND GIL AND TEAM REALLY DO A
14 GREAT JOB WITH IT. BUT WHEN YOU'RE IN THAT KIND OF
15 A GRAY ZONE FOR SCORES, IT'S NOT REALLY
16 QUANTITATIVE. SO IT REALLY DOES RELY ON THE
17 AGGREGATE INFORMATION BOTH FROM THE SCIENTIFIC
18 REVIEW AND PUTTING THAT TOGETHER.

19 I THINK BOTH GIL AND ROSA, WHO, BY THE
20 WAY, THE ENTIRE SCIENCE TEAM COMES TOGETHER IN THIS,
21 REALLY LOOK AT THE INPUT OF THE GWG WITH REGARDS TO
22 THE APPLICATION. IN AGGREGATE WE DO BELIEVE THAT
23 THIS SHOULD BE FUNDED BASED ON THE REVIEWERS'
24 COMMENTS AND UNDER THE MINORITY REPORT UMBRELLA. SO
25 WITHOUT GOING INTO THAT RATIONALE AGAIN FOR THE

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1 RATIONALE THAT WAS PROVIDED BY DR. SAMBRANO AND
2 REINFORCED BY DR. AVILES, HOPEFULLY THAT'S ENOUGH.
3 WHENEVER WE HAVE SCORES, I THINK WHAT HAPPENS, IT
4 PUTS THEM IN A CATEGORY SO IT ALLOWS FOR THE
5 DISCUSSION AND THEN IT ALLOWS THE BOARD TO MAKE
6 THEIR PROGRAMMATIC DISCUSSION. AGAIN, IT'S NOT AN
7 EXACT SCIENCE. IT'S A GUIDE TO HAVE THOSE
8 DISCUSSIONS IS THE BEST WAY I CAN KIND OF REPRESENT
9 HOW SCORES ARE USED.

10 ANNE-MARIE, I DON'T KNOW IF THAT
11 COMPLETELY ANSWERS YOUR QUESTION.

12 DR. DULIEGE: IT DOES, MARIA, AND IT HELPS
13 ME PUT TOGETHER THE COMMENTS FROM ROSA, GIL, YOU,
14 AND OTHERS, THAT IN THAT PARTICULAR CASE, MORE THAN
15 IN OTHERS, WHILE THERE'S A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY ABOUT
16 THE VALUE OF THE EXPERIMENT TO FIND A CURE, IT'S
17 ALWAYS THE CASE, PARTICULARLY IN STEM CELL RESEARCH,
18 THERE'S EVEN MORE SO A VALUE OF THIS EXPERIMENT TO
19 HELP SCIENTISTS UNDERSTAND THE FIELD BETTER. AND
20 FOR ME THAT COUNTS AS WELL. I'LL VOTE YES FOR THIS
21 REASON TO APPROVE IT.

22 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: STEVE.

23 MR. JUELSGAARD: SO LET ME MAKE AN
24 ADDITIONAL COMMENT REGARDING ONE THAT INVOLVES THE
25 CELL-DERIVED RETINAL ORGANOID MODEL.

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1 SO ON JUNE 9TH THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES, THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
3 VOTED TO APPROVE THE FDA MODERNIZATION ACT. THE
4 SENATE HAS ALREADY APPROVED THAT. I'M NOT EXACTLY
5 SURE WHEN IT GOES TO BIDEN FOR HIS SIGNATURE. BUT
6 IN THAT ACT IS A REQUIREMENT, WELL, I WOULDN'T SAY
7 IT'S A REQUIREMENT, BUT A STRONG PUSH TO HAVE THE
8 FDA BASICALLY CHANGE THE MODELS THAT IT REQUIRES
9 USING FOR TESTING FOR IND PURPOSES TO MOVE AWAY FROM
10 THE ANIMAL MODEL TESTING AND TO OTHER MECHANISMS OF
11 TESTING. ONE OF THOSE POTENTIAL MODELS IS GOING TO
12 BE THE AREA OF ORGANOIDS. IT'S AN UP AND COMING
13 AREA.

14 SO SORT OF ALA WHAT ANNE-MARIE WAS TALKING
15 ABOUT, BUT FROM A DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW, IF IT
16 DOESN'T ACTUALLY WORK IN THIS CASE, BUT HELPS
17 SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF ORGANOIDS AS A MODEL, I
18 THINK JUST FOR THAT REASON ALONE IT'S WORTH FUNDING
19 BECAUSE WE ARE HEADED IN THAT DIRECTION, AWAY FROM
20 THE USE OF ANIMAL MODELS. AND I KNOW THAT WAS A
21 CRITIQUE IN THE ASSESSMENT, BUT UNFORTUNATELY OR
22 FORTUNATELY ANIMAL MODELS ARE AT SOME POINT GOING TO
23 BECOME A THING OF PAST, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT GOES
24 FOR FDA REGULATORY PURPOSES IN TERMS OF ANIMAL
25 TESTING LEADING UP TO AN IND.

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1 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, STEVE.

2 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE
3 BOARD?

4 MS. BONNEVILLE: I JUST WANT TO MAKE ONE
5 QUICK COMMENT. WE ARE AT QUORUM RIGHT NOW. IF
6 ANYONE NEEDS TO LEAVE EARLY, WE RUN THE RISK OF NOT
7 BEING ABLE TO TAKE A VOTE. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE
8 SURE EVERYONE IS CLEAR.

9 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. THANK YOU.
10 SEEING NO MORE COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
11 AND, MARIA, I ASSUME NO MORE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
12 EITHER WITH RESPECT TO THESE TWO PARTICULAR GRANTS,
13 LET'S PROCEED NOW TO A VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO
14 ELEVATE THESE TWO GRANTS AS NUMBERED BY KEVIN UP TO
15 THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE. MARIA, WILL YOU
16 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17 MS. BONNEVILLE: LEONDRA CLARK-HARVEY.

18 MS. CLARK-HARVEY: YES.

19 MS. BONNEVILLE: ANNE-MARIE DULIEGE.

20 DR. DULIEGE: YES.

21 MS. BONNEVILLE: MARK FISCHER-COLBRIE.

22 DR. FISCHER-COLBRIE: YES.

23 MS. BONNEVILLE: FRED FISHER.

24 DR. FISHER: YES.

25 MS. BONNEVILLE: DAVID HIGGINS.

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1 DR. HIGGINS: YES.
2 MS. BONNEVILLE: STEVE JUELSGAARD.
3 MR. JUELSGAARD: YES.
4 MS. BONNEVILLE: RICH LAJARA.
5 MR. LAJARA: YES.
6 MS. BONNEVILLE: LAUREN MILLER-ROGEN.
7 MS. MILLER-ROGEN: YES.
8 MS. BONNEVILLE: ADRIANA PADILLA.
9 DR. PADILLA: YES.
10 MS. BONNEVILLE: AL ROWLETT. MARVIN
11 SOUTHARD.
12 DR. SOUTHARD: YES.
13 MS. BONNEVILLE: JONATHAN THOMAS.
14 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: YES.
15 MS. BONNEVILLE: ART TORRES.
16 MR. TORRES: AYE.
17 MS. BONNEVILLE: THE MOTION CARRIES.
18 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. THANK YOU.
19 SO WE NOW HAVE THOSE TWO ADDED. WE NOW
20 HAVE A TOTAL OF 19 IN THE GROUP RECOMMENDED FOR
21 FUNDING. WE DO HAVE TWO COMMENTS ON OTHER GRANTS IN
22 THE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE. I THINK THIS
23 WOULD BE A TIME TO HEAR THOSE. SO, MARIA, WILL YOU
24 PLEASE INVITE THOSE PUBLIC COMMENTERS TO SPEAK TO
25 THE BOARD.

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1 MS. BONNEVILLE: I THINK YOU JUST DID. SO
2 IF YOU HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT, NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY.
3 AND, AGAIN, IT'S LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES. AND
4 PLEASE JUST RAISE YOUR HAND AND WE CAN CALL ON YOU.
5 I KNOW YOU'RE NOT JENNIFER ROSLYN, SO WE'RE GOING TO
6 CALL YOU JENNIFER FOR NOW.

7 DR. WANG: THANK YOU, MARIA. THANK YOU,
8 BOARD, AND THANK YOU, EVERYBODY. SO MY NAME IS
9 AIJUN WANG. I'M THE PI FOR ONE OF THE 84S, NO. 3 ON
10 THE LIST WITH THE MINORITY REPORT, 13413.

11 I JUST HAVE A VERY BRIEF COMMENT ABOUT
12 THIS PROJECT. ACTUALLY, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO
13 EXPRESS MY GREAT GRATITUDE TO THE REVIEWERS AND ALSO
14 OUR CIRM TEAM RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE AND THE
15 INNOVATION OF THE PROJECT.

16 WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO, I REALLY ECHO
17 WHAT BOARD MEMBER ANNE-MARIE JUST MENTIONED, TRYING
18 TO FIND A CURE. SO WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IN THIS
19 PROJECT IS REALLY TO FIND A CURE FOR A VERY BAD
20 DISEASE, DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY. AND WHAT WE
21 ACTUALLY HAVE SHOWN, VERY EXCITED ABOUT, FOR THE
22 PRELIMINARY DATA WE HAVE GATHERED, AND MANY OF THE
23 REVIEWERS HAVE ALSO RECOGNIZED THAT WE FOUND SOME
24 TECHNOLOGY ELEMENTS THAT CAN BE UTILIZED TO TARGET
25 THE HEART AND DIAPHRAGM IN THE FETUS, ACTUALLY

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1 BEFORE THE BABY IS BORN. WE CAN EDIT THOSE CELLS IN
2 THE DIAPHRAGM AND HEART.

3 THE REASON THIS IS IMPORTANT, BECAUSE ALSO
4 THE DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY PATIENTS WOULD DIE
5 VERY EARLY PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE CARDIAC
6 DYSFUNCTION AND ALSO RESPIRATORY FUNCTION LOSS.

7 SO THIS IS A VERY -- AS ONE OF THE
8 REVIEWERS ACTUALLY POINTED OUT, IT COULD BE A --
9 IT'S A VERY SMALL POPULATION OF RARE DISEASE, BUT I
10 THINK GOES ALONG VERY WELL WITH THE CIRM'S MOTION.
11 FOR EXAMPLE, CIRM ANNOUNCED THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
12 NIH AND FDA AND PRIVATE SECTOR TO FIND CURES FOR
13 RARE DISEASES. SO I THINK THIS PROJECT, WE ARE
14 REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE NEW FINDING. WE JUST DON'T
15 WANT TO GET ANY DELAY ON THIS PROJECT, BUT I REALLY
16 APPRECIATE WHAT GIL JUST MENTIONED, THAT EVEN THOUGH
17 WE WERE AMBITIOUS, WE'RE TRYING TO COMPLETE THE
18 WHOLE THING FROM THE IN VITRO CULTURE CELL MODEL TO
19 ANIMAL MODEL TO HUMAN DISEASE MODEL. IT'S A REALLY
20 AMBITIOUS TEAM PROJECT, BUT WE HAVE A VERY WONDERFUL
21 TEAM AND WE ALSO HAVE EXPERTISE IN LEADING
22 TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH INTO CLINICAL TRIAL.

23 SO ACTUALLY THE TEAM AT UC DAVIS LED BY
24 DR. DANA FARMER AND MYSELF ARE ACTUALLY CONDUCTING
25 AN ONGOING CLINICAL TRIAL USING IN UTERO TREATMENT

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1 FOR SPINA BIFIDA. I KNOW MANY OF YOU MAY REMEMBER
2 THIS PROJECT.

3 ANYWAY, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE
4 TEAM. AND IF YOU COULD SUPPORT THIS ROUND FOR OUR
5 PROJECT, WE CAN MOVE FASTER, BUT I WOULD APPRECIATE
6 ANY COMMENT OR FURTHER CONSIDERATION EVEN IF WE HAVE
7 TO COME BACK NEXT ROUND. IT WOULD JUST BE A LITTLE
8 BIT DELAYED, BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU. TIFFANY.

10 DR. PERRY: THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO OUR
11 PROJECT IS PROJECT NO. 13442, "MICROGEL ENCAPSULATED
12 ISPC-DERIVED NOTOCHORDAL CELLS TO TREAT
13 INTERVERTEBRAL DISC DEGENERATION, LOW BACK PAIN."

14 JUST TO GIVE SORT OF FROM THE CLINICAL
15 SIDE OF THINGS SOME HISTORY AND WHY THIS IS A HUGE
16 PROJECT. IN MARCH OF 2018 IN THE *LANCET*, DR.
17 HARLIGSON (PHONETIC) STATED THAT LOW BACK PAIN IS
18 THE NO. 1 CAUSE OF DISABILITY WORLDWIDE WITH OVER
19 60.1 MILLION YEARS LIVED WITH DISABILITY IN 2015
20 ALONE. OVER A 25-YEAR INTERVAL, THE INCIDENCE OF
21 LOW BACK PAIN DISABILITY INCREASED 54 PERCENT
22 WORLDWIDE MOST LIKELY DUE TO OUR AGING POPULATION.

23 STUDIES HAVE FOUND THAT IN HIGHER INCOME
24 COUNTRIES THE INCIDENCE OF BACK PAIN IS 33 PERCENT,
25 AND HEALTHCARE APPROACHES FOR BACK PAIN CONTRIBUTE

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1 TO THE OVERALL BURDEN OF DISEASE AND COST RATHER
2 THAN REDUCING IT. IN LOWER INCOME WORKING
3 COUNTRIES, FARMERS DECREASE THEIR WORKLOAD TO
4 DIMINISHING EFFECTS OF BACK PAIN CAUSED BY MANUAL
5 LABOR, WHICH ALSO CAN INCREASE THAT CYCLE OF POVERTY
6 IN THOSE AREAS.

7 THE GOAL OF OUR PROJECT IS TO FIGURE OUT
8 THE ULTIMATE ISSUE WITH LOW BACK PAIN AND
9 DEGENERATIVE DISC. OUR PROJECT WANTS TO ADDRESS THE
10 LOW BACK PAIN RELATED TO DEGENERATIVE DISC BY USING
11 PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS TO REVITALIZE AND REPOPULATE
12 THE NUCLEUS PULPOSUS.

13 SO WHAT IS THE BURDEN OF LOW BACK PAIN IN
14 SOCIETY? THE COST. THE COST OF MEDICAL CARE,
15 INDIRECT COST, PRODUCTIVITY LOSS, STAYING OUT OF
16 WORK, ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE AND MEDICATION, AND TIME
17 TO AND FROM APPOINTMENTS. THE U.S. ALONE HAS THE
18 HIGHEST COST FOR DIRECT MEDICAL TREATMENT IN LOW
19 BACK PAIN PRIMARILY DUE TO OUR MEDICALLY INTENSIVE
20 APPROACH. DEPRESSION, CHRONIC PAIN, OPIOID CRISIS,
21 HALF A MILLION DEATHS OVER A 20-YEAR PERIOD
22 ATTRIBUTABLE TO PRESCRIPTION AND ILLICIT DRUG USE OF
23 OPIOIDS.

24 IF WE COULD FIND A STEM CELL TREATMENT FOR
25 LOW BACK PAIN CAUSED BY DEGENERATIVE DISC, THE

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1 EFFECTS COULD BE ENDLESS AND SEEN WORLDWIDE.
2 PSYCHOLOGICAL AND MENTAL IMPROVEMENT, ATTENDANCE IN
3 WORKPLACE, COST OF HEALTHCARE DRIVEN DOWN INSTEAD OF
4 UP, PRODUCTIVITY BY FARMERS GLOBALLY, AND LONGEVITY
5 OF LIFE ACCOMPANIED BY QUALITY OF LIFE.

6 JUST THIS WEEK AT CEDARS-SINAI MEDICAL
7 CENTER, WHERE WE ARE, THE FIRST HUMAN EXPERIMENTAL
8 INJECTION OF STEM CELLS INTO THE MOTOR CORTEX FOR
9 AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS OCCURRED. THIS IS THE
10 FIRST PATIENT IN HUMAN TRIALS WITH CRANIAL INJECTION
11 OF STEM CELLS FOR ALS. CEDARS-SINAI IS COMMITTED TO
12 STEM CELL RESEARCH. OUR TEAM WANTS TO FOLLOW IN
13 LEADING THIS GLOBAL QUEST FOR STEM CELL THERAPIES IN
14 SPINE.

15 OUR PROJECT IS FUNDAMENTALLY ORIENTED AT
16 USING MINIMALLY INVASIVE STEM CELL BIOLOGICAL
17 SOLUTIONS TO RECREATE THE NUCLEUS PULPOSUS AND
18 REJUVENATE THE INTERVERTEBRAL DISC PREVENTING THE
19 CASCADE OF EVENTS THAT WE'VE TALKED ABOUT. THANK
20 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

21 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, TIFFANY.

22 OKAY. SO DO WE HAVE, MARIA, ANY MORE
23 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY APPLICATIONS THAT ARE
24 CURRENTLY NOT IN THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE?

25 MS. BONNEVILLE: YES. WE HAVE A HAND

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1 RAISED, AND THAT IS LANA.

2 DR. ZHOLUDEVA: YES. HI. GOOD MORNING.

3 I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT THE CALL FOR PUBLIC
4 COMMENTS WAS ONLY FOR THE GRANTS THAT RECEIVED A
5 MINORITY REPORT, OR IS IT ANY OF THE PROJECTS THAT
6 WERE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING?

7 MS. BONNEVILLE: ANY OF THE PROJECTS.

8 DR. ZHOLUDEVA: GREAT. I WOULD LIKE TO
9 TAKE AN OPPORTUNITY MAKE A COMMENT, THEN, ON PROJECT
10 13502. AND IT'S JUST THE ONE BELOW THE ONES THAT
11 RECEIVED A MINORITY REPORT TITLED "EXCITATORY SPINAL
12 INTERNEURONS FROM HUMAN PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS TO
13 TREAT SPINAL CORD INJURY." IS IT OKAY IF I MAKE THE
14 COMMENT?

15 MS. BONNEVILLE: YES.

16 DR. ZHOLUDEVA: OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU ALL TODAY AND BRIEFLY
18 DISCUSS MY DISC PROPOSAL TO CIRM. I WOULD FIRST
19 LIKE TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR THE REVIEWERS OF
20 OUR PROPOSAL. I WAS VERY HONORED BY A NUMBER OF
21 POSITIVE COMMENTS OF THEIR RECOGNITION THAT THE
22 PROPOSAL HAS POTENTIAL FOR HIGH SCIENTIFIC IMPACT,
23 WAS BUILT ON A SOLID RATIONALE BASED ON THE WORK
24 THAT WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED. AND IN LINE WITH
25 THE DISC2 PROGRAM, THE RESEARCH DESCRIBED IN OUR

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1 PROPOSAL AIMS TO IDENTIFY A THERAPEUTIC CANDIDATE
2 THAT COULD POTENTIALLY HELP NOT ONLY THE THOUSANDS
3 OF CALIFORNIANS CURRENTLY LIVING WITH A SPINAL CORD
4 INJURY, BUT THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS
5 LIVING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND, OF COURSE, MANY
6 THAT ARE OVERSEAS.

7 WHILE THE MEAN SCORE OF THE PROPOSAL WAS
8 83, IT'S JUST BELOW THE FUNDING. MY PURPOSE HERE
9 TODAY IS REALLY JUST TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
10 ADDRESS WHAT LOOKS TO BE THE ONLY ONE KEY SCORE
11 DRIVING FACTOR THAT DAMPENS ENTHUSIASM FOR OUR
12 PROPOSAL AND NOT A SINGLE CONCERN FROM A COUPLE OF
13 THE REVIEWERS FOR MY PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL
14 EXPERIENCE TO DATE. I'M GLAD TO HAVE THIS
15 OPPORTUNITY TO TRY AND CLARIFY THIS FOR THE
16 DISCUSSION.

17 SO THERE WAS ONE COMMENT THAT I WAS NOT A
18 CONTRIBUTING FACTOR ON PAPER THAT LED TO THE
19 PROPOSAL, WHICH IS NOT ENTIRELY ACCURATE. AND TO
20 CLARIFY, THE PRESENT PROPOSAL IS BUILT IN PRIOR WORK
21 BY MYSELF AND PARALLEL WORK FROM MY PRIOR MENTOR,
22 DR. TODD MCDEVITT, OF WHICH THIS IS A RESUBMISSION.
23 AND I WAS ACTUALLY RECRUITED INTO THE MCDEVITT TEAM
24 AT GLADSTONE INSTITUTES AND TOOK OVER THE SPINAL
25 CORD INJURY PROGRAM TO GATHER PILOT DATA FOR THE

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1 PRESENT PROPOSAL, AND I'VE BEEN LEADING THIS PROGRAM
2 FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW AND IN CHARGE OF THE DEDICATED
3 FUNDS AND PERSONNEL.

4 THERE WAS SOME CONCERN THAT I HAD LITTLE
5 EXPERIENCE MANAGING A RESEARCH PROGRAM OF THIS SIZE.
6 AND I REALLY JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT, IN TAKING
7 OVER THE SPINAL CORD INJURY PROGRAM AT GLADSTONE
8 INSTITUTES, I HAVE HELPED BRING IN AROUND \$400,000
9 IN FUNDING TO SUPPORT AND BUILD THE PROGRAM. AND IT
10 IS NOW FROM THIS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO BUILD FURTHER
11 WITH THE PRESENT PROPOSAL OF IDENTIFYING A POSSIBLE
12 THERAPEUTIC TARGET THAT WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT AND
13 I FEEL PREPARED TO MANAGE.

14 I AM VERY PLEASED TO HAVE SUPPORT FROM
15 MANY SENIOR SCIENTISTS AT GLADSTONE, INCLUDING THE
16 PRESIDENT OF OUR INSTITUTE, DR. DEEPAK SRIVASTAVA,
17 WHO PROVIDED A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MYSELF AND THIS
18 PROPOSAL, MY PRIOR MENTOR WHO NOW HAS LEFT
19 GLADSTONE, AND HE IS AT SANAX THERAPEUTICS, LEAVING
20 ME IN CHARGE.

21 MY COLLEAGUES IN THE FIELD OF SPINAL CORD
22 INJURY AND TRANSPLANTATION RESEARCH ARE CLINICAL
23 PROFESSIONALS THAT VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO MEET
24 REGULARLY AND INDIVIDUALS LIVING WITH A SPINAL CORD
25 INJURY SUCH AS ROMAN REED, WHO'S AN ONGOING

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1 SUPPORTER OF OUR WORK AND WHO ALSO MEETS REGULARLY
2 WITH US. I REALLY HOPE THAT I COULD CLARIFY SOME
3 POINTS AND NOW ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE MINOR CONCERNS
4 THAT SOME OF THE REVIEWERS HAD. AND I THANK YOU FOR
5 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND SPEAK WITH YOU. AND
6 THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING.

7 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: SORRY. THANK YOU.
8 DEEPAK, YOU'RE NEXT.

9 DR. SRIVASTAVA: THANK YOU, JON. MY NAME
10 IS DEEPAK SRIVASTAVA. AS LANA MENTIONED, I DO SERVE
11 AS PRESIDENT OF THE GLADSTONE INSTITUTES. I THOUGHT
12 I WOULD JUST COMMENT, MAKE A COMMENT ON LANA'S
13 SUGGESTIONS.

14 THE MAJOR FEATURE THAT LOWERED THE SCORE
15 OUT OF THE FUNDABLE RANGE WAS, IN FACT, THIS CONCERN
16 ABOUT EXPERIENCE. I SHOULD SAY THAT LANA, IT SEEMS
17 TO ME, TO BE AN EXTRAORDINARY TALENT WHO I'VE BEEN
18 IMPRESSED WITH HOW PROMINENT HER RECOGNITION IS
19 ALREADY IN THE SPINAL CORD INJURY FIELD, AS I'VE
20 COME TO UNDERSTAND IT. AND IF THERE WERE, AFTER DR.
21 MCDEVITT THAT LEFT GLADSTONE TO GO TO SANA, LANA HAS
22 REALLY SINGLE-HANDEDLY LED THE EFFORT, AND WE'VE
23 BEEN ABLE TO RAISE PHILANTHROPIC DOLLARS THAT SHE
24 HAS DIRECTED TO GET TO THIS POINT FOR THIS
25 APPLICATION.

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1 FUNDING THIS APPLICATION, I THINK, WOULD
2 REALLY ACCELERATE THE WORK IN SPINAL CORD INJURY
3 THAT HAD VERY POSITIVE SCIENTIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS.
4 IN ADDITION, IF THERE'S ANY CONCERN ABOUT
5 INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT, THEN I CAN CERTAINLY
6 ADDRESS THAT FROM MY ROLE IN THAT WE ARE COMMITTED
7 TO THIS AREA, THE STEM CELL AREA IN GENERAL, AS YOU
8 ALL KNOW, BUT LANA SPECIFICALLY AND THE SPINAL CORD
9 INJURY WORK THAT SHE'S DOING, I COULDN'T BE MORE
10 EXCITED ABOUT IT. AT GLADSTONE WE ARE COMMITTED TO
11 SUPPORTING IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, DEEPAK.
13 MARIA, DO YOU WANT TO CALL THE NEXT GUEST PLEASE.

14 MS. BONNEVILLE: IT IS JEANNE PAZ.

15 MS. PAZ: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

16 MS. BONNEVILLE: YES.

17 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: YES.

18 MS. PAZ: SO I WOULD LIKE TO THANK CIRM
19 AND ALL THE REVIEWERS FOR A CAREFUL REVIEW OF OUR
20 PROPOSAL. THE PROPOSAL NUMBER IS DISC2-13533,
21 ENTITLED "GENE THERAPY VECTOR CORRECTING ENDOPLASMIC
22 RETICULUM STRESS AND GABA UPTAKE DEFECT IN MYOCLONIC
23 ATONIC EPILEPSY."

24 OUR DISC2 PROPOSAL FOCUSES ON THE
25 DESPERATELY NEEDED TREATMENT FOR A RARE, DEVASTATING

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1 NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDER CALLED SLC6A1 SYNDROME.
2 THIS GENE REGULATES BRAIN DEVELOPMENT AND
3 EXCITABILITY IN CHILDREN WITH MUTATIONS IN THIS GENE
4 WHO SUFFER FROM AUTISM, DEBILITATING EPILEPTIC
5 SEIZURES, SLEEP, ATTENTION, AND MOTOR DEFICITS.

6 SLC6A1 MUTATIONS CAN CAUSE DEATH IN
7 CHILDREN. MY INVESTIGATOR, N. MATHARU, AND I ARE
8 ACTUALLY INVOLVED WITH THE SLC6A1 PATIENT
9 ORGANIZATION, AND WE KNOW THE KIDS FOR WHOM WE ARE
10 DEVELOPING THESE THERAPIES. DEVELOPING AND
11 VALIDATING TREATMENTS FOR FDA APPROVAL REQUIRES AN
12 ANIMAL MODEL. SLC6A1 RECENTLY DEVELOPED THE FIRST
13 MOUSE MODEL THAT OUR LAB WAS THE FIRST TO
14 CHARACTERIZE.

15 THIS MOUSE MODEL HAS SEVERE SEIZURES. MY
16 CO-INVESTIGATOR AND I, DR. MATHARU, WERE APPROACHED
17 BY CIRM IN 2021 TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL ON DEVELOPING A
18 GENE THERAPY FOR THIS DISORDER.

19 AFTER DISCUSSING THE PROJECT, WE WERE
20 ADVISED TO APPLY FOR THE DISC2 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY,
21 DEFINED AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EARLY STAGE PROJECTS
22 THAT ARE HIGH RISK, HIGH REWARD. AND WE SUBMITTED A
23 PROPOSAL TO GET FUNDS TO DEVELOP A NEW VECTOR DURING
24 THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THE PROPOSAL, AND THEN TO
25 USE THIS VECTOR IN OUR MOUSE MODEL THAT HAS A

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1 MUTATION THAT WAS DISCOVERED IN A CHILD WITH THE
2 DISORDER.

3 IN THE PROPOSAL WE DOCUMENTED THE
4 FEASIBILITY OF THE APPROACH AND A CAREFUL
5 CHARACTERIZATION OF THE FIRST MOUSE MODEL OF THIS
6 DISORDER. AGAIN, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THIS
7 DISORDER CANNOT BE STUDIED IN ORGANIDS OR CELLS.
8 YOU DO NEED A MOUSE MODEL THAT HAS SEIZURES IN ORDER
9 TO GET AN FDA APPROVAL LATER ON. SO WE HAVE THAT
10 FIRST MOUSE MODEL.

11 SO DURING THE FIRST REVIEW, WE GOT A SCORE
12 OF 80. THE REVIEWERS EXPRESSED A SIGNIFICANT
13 ENTHUSIASM, AND THEY ALL EMPHASIZED THAT THIS COULD
14 BE REALLY LIFE CHANGING IF THIS WORKED AND THAT IT
15 WAS A GOOD PROPOSAL FOR A HIGH RISK, HIGH REWARD
16 PROGRAM. HOWEVER, THE MAIN CONCERN WAS THAT WE
17 DIDN'T HAVE THE VECTOR YET, BUT WE NEEDED FUNDING TO
18 GET THE VECTOR. AFTER DISCUSSING WITH CIRM IN 2121,
19 WE WERE TOLD THAT IF WE ALREADY HAD VALIDATED THE
20 VECTOR, WE WOULD NOT BE APPLYING FOR DISC2. WE
21 WOULD BE APPLYING FOR THE NEXT STEP, WHICH WOULD BE
22 THE PRECLINICAL TRANSLATIONAL STEP. SO WE WERE
23 GETTING --

24 MS. BONNEVILLE: YOU'VE EXCEEDED THE THREE
25 MINUTES. IF YOU COULD WRAP THAT UP, THAT WOULD BE

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1 GREAT.

2 DR. PAZ: SO WE WERE GIVEN THREE WEEKS TO
3 REVISE, WHICH WAS NOT SUFFICIENT TO MAKE THE VECTOR.
4 AND WE FEEL LIKE THE GRANT WAS REVIEWED AS AN RO1
5 GRANT FROM THE NIH RATHER THAN HIGH RISK, HIGH
6 REWARD. AND I THINK MY COLLABORATOR N. MATHARU, IS
7 HERE. SO MAYBE SHE CAN SAY A FEW WORDS TOO. THANK
8 YOU.

9 MS. BONNEVILLE: NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT IS
10 FROM MICHAEL LANE. AGAIN, AS A REMINDER, YOU HAVE
11 THREE MINUTES.

12 DR. LANE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GIVING
13 ME THE CHANCE TO TALK TODAY. I'M JUST GOING TO BE
14 MAKING A COMMENT ON DR. ZHOLUDEVA'S PROPOSAL, WHICH
15 IS, JUST LOOKING AT THE NUMBER REAL QUICK, I DON'T
16 SEE IT ON THE LIST ANYMORE, BUT TO FOLLOW UP ON THE
17 COMMENTS THAT BOTH DR. ZHOLUDEVA AND DR. SRIVASTAVA
18 MADE, I WANTED TO FIRSTLY SAY I'M A COLLABORATOR ON
19 THIS PROPOSAL. AND IT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF
20 PLEASURE TO BE PART OF THIS WORK.

21 THE WORK THAT DR. ZHOLUDEVA HAS PROPOSED
22 IN THIS PROPOSAL IS ESSENTIALLY BUILDING AN IPS CELL
23 THERAPY FOR SPINAL CORD INJURY AS SHE ALLUDED TO,
24 BUT THIS IS ACTUALLY SOMETHING THAT SHE HAS
25 DEVELOPED OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, WHICH HAS

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1 RESHAPED THE WAY THAT CELL THERAPIES ARE BEING USED
2 TO TREAT NEURAL INJURY AND DISEASE.

3 AND THERE'S A BIG SHIFT IN THE FIELD OF
4 SPINAL CORD INJURY, ALS, AND TRANSPLANTATION FOR
5 TREATING NEURAL INJURIES AND DISEASE WHICH HAS
6 ESSENTIALLY RESULTED FROM LANA'S PRIOR WORK, WHICH
7 SHE'S NOW DEVELOPING CELLULAR ENGINEERING STRATEGIES
8 TO MAKE CELLS SPECIFIC FOR REPAIRING INJURED
9 SUBSTRATES. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS NOT BEEN
10 DONE IN THE HUGE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE
11 OVER THE LAST SEVERAL DECADES.

12 I MYSELF HAVE BEEN WORKING IN THE FIELD OF
13 SPINAL CORD INJURY FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS NOW, AND
14 THIS RECENT SHIFT IN THINKING AS HOW WE CAN USE
15 CELLS TO MORE EFFECTIVELY REGENERATE INJURED NERVOUS
16 TISSUE IS ESSENTIALLY BUILDING OFF THE WORK THAT
17 TODD MCDEVITT HAS DONE AND IN THE WORK THAT LANA
18 ZHOLUDEVA DID IN PARALLEL.

19 I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND THE GLADSTONE
20 INSTITUTES FOR PROVIDING A GREAT DEAL OF SUPPORT FOR
21 UP AND COMING, RISING SUPERSTARS IN THE FIELD OF
22 SPINAL CORD INJURY AND THE FIELD OF NEURAL INJURY
23 LIKE DR. ZHOLUDEVA, AND THE SUPPORT THAT GLADSTONE
24 ESSENTIALLY HAS GIVEN HER HAS POSITIONED HER TO
25 BECOME A FUTURE LEADER IN THE FIELD OF SPINAL CORD

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1 INJURY. AND ESSENTIALLY IN NOW RUNNING THE SPINAL
2 CORD INJURY PROGRAM AT GLADSTONE, I LOOK FORWARD TO
3 BEING ABLE TO WORK WITH THEIR TEAM AND ASSIST THEM
4 ANY WAY I CAN. THANK YOU AGAIN.

5 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
6 MARIA, DO WE HAVE AN ADDITIONAL COMMENT?

7 MS. BONNEVILLE: DMITRIY, I THINK, IS NEXT
8 PLEASE. AND AS A REMINDER, YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES.

9 DR. SHEYN: I JUST WANT TO MENTION A FEW
10 POINTS THAT WERE IN MY LETTER TO THE BOARD. AND I'M
11 TALKING ABOUT THE APPLICATION THAT PARTICULARLY
12 DESCRIBED 13442 FOR THE INTERVERTEBRAL DISC
13 REGENERATION.

14 SO THANK YOU, GIL, FOR THE SUMMARY OF THE
15 MINORITY REPORT. JUST ONE POINT FROM THAT REPORT,
16 THAT LOW SCORING PANELISTS WERE TALKING ABOUT LACK
17 OF OR INSUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF PRELIMINARY DATA. WHAT
18 I JUST WANT TO MENTION IS THAT IN OUR PREVIOUS CIRM
19 GRANT ON THIS TOPIC, WE WERE ABLE TO SHOW
20 FEASIBILITY OF NOTOCHORDAL CELL DIFFERENTIATION AND
21 SHOW THEM IN A VERY TRANSLATABLE AND LARGE ANIMAL
22 MODEL. AND IN THIS PROPOSAL WE ARE ACTUALLY TRYING
23 TO IMPROVE THE FORMULATION OF THE DELIVERY SYSTEM.
24 THE GOAL OF THIS STUDY IS TO FIND A CANDIDATE WITH
25 THESE CELLS AND IN THE FINAL FORMULATION.

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1 SO WHEN THE REVIEWERS ARE ASKING FOR FINAL
2 FORMULATION, I THINK THIS DIRECTLY SPEAKS TO THE
3 TARGET OF THIS PROBLEM TO FIND THE FINAL CANDIDATE.
4 THANK YOU.

5 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU, DMITRIY. ARE
6 THERE ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS, MARIA?

7 MS. BONNEVILLE: NO. THERE ARE NO HANDS
8 RAISED.

9 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. I'M GOING TO
10 ENTERTAIN A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE THE 19 PROJECTS
11 CURRENTLY IN THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE. AND
12 IF THERE'S ANYBODY WHO DOESN'T THINK THAT LIST IS
13 COMPLETE OR WHATEVER, THIS IS THE TIME TO SAY
14 SOMETHING. I'LL REMIND YOU THAT THE TWO THAT WERE
15 ADDED WERE THE ONLY TWO THAT THE TEAM RECOMMENDED WE
16 CURRENTLY MOVE UP. AND ALSO NOTE THAT THE NEXT
17 SUBMISSION DATE FOR THE NEXT ROUND, WHICH WILL BE A
18 THREE-YEAR ROUND, IS GOING TO BE AUGUST 2D. SO IT
19 IS IN THE RELATIVELY NEAR FUTURE.

20 SO CAN I HAVE A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE THE
21 19 PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING
22 RANGE?

23 DR. CLARK-HARVEY: SO MOVED.

24 DR. FISHER: SECONDED.

25 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: MARIA, DID YOU GET THAT?

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1 THERE WERE ABOUT FIVE SO MOVES IN THERE.

2 MS. BONNEVILLE: NO, I DID NOT.

3 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: LEONDRA MOVED.

4 DR. FISHER: FRED SECONDED.

5 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. THANK YOU.

6 IS THERE DISCUSSION BY MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD ON THIS MOTION? OKAY. IS THERE DISCUSSION BY
8 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC? AND REMEMBER THIS IS ABOUT
9 APPROVING THE 19 PROJECTS LISTED IN THE RECOMMENDED
10 FOR FUNDING RANGE? MARIA.

11 MS. BONNEVILLE: LET ME GO TO THE VOTE. I
12 WANT TO MAKE SURE I CAPTURE EVERYTHING. OKAY. AS A
13 REMINDER --

14 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: MARIA, BEFORE YOU SAY
15 ANYTHING, YOU REMINDED ME PREVIOUSLY, WHICH I WAS
16 REMISS IN DOING, IS THERE ANY MOTION TO REMOVE ANY
17 OF THE PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING FROM THE
18 RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE?

19 MS. BONNEVILLE: THAT'S A DIFFERENT
20 MOTION, J.T. DO YOU WANT TO ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION
21 FIRST?

22 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: WELL, I JUST WANTED TO
23 SEE IF THERE WAS A MOTION. DOESN'T SOUND LIKE THERE
24 IS ONE.

25 MS. BONNEVILLE: KEVIN, FROM A PROCEDURAL

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1 STANDPOINT, I LEAVE THIS UP TO YOU.

2 DR. MARKS: FROM A PROCEDURAL STANDPOINT,
3 WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR. IF THAT MOTION WERE
4 TO BE WITHDRAWN, THAT'S WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE
5 MOVER AND THE SECOND.

6 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: I DON'T THINK THAT'S
7 NECESSARY BECAUSE THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF ANY
8 INTEREST IN THE SUBSEQUENT MOTION, IF THAT'S OKAY,
9 KEVIN.

10 MR. MARKS: THAT'S FINE.

11 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: MARIA, WILL YOU PLEASE
12 CALL THE ROLL ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE 19
13 PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN THE RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING
14 RANGE.

15 MS. BONNEVILLE: YES. AND AS A REMINDER,
16 YOU CAN VOTE YES OR NO EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH WHICH
17 YOU HAVE A CONFLICT.

18 LEONDRA CLARK-HARVEY.

19 MS. CLARK-HARVEY: YES.

20 MS. BONNEVILLE: ANNE-MARIE DULIEGE.

21 DR. DULIEGE: YES.

22 MS. BONNEVILLE: YSABEL DURON.

23 MS. DURON: YES, EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH
24 WHICH I HAVE A CONFLICT.

25 MS. BONNEVILLE: MARK FISCHER-COLBRIE.

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1 DR. FISCHER-COLBRIE: YES.
2 MS. BONNEVILLE: FRED FISHER.
3 DR. FISHER: YES.
4 MS. BONNEVILLE: DAVID HIGGINS.
5 DR. HIGGINS: YES.
6 MS. BONNEVILLE: STEVE JUELSGAARD.
7 MR. JUELSGAARD: YES.
8 MS. BONNEVILLE: RICH LAJARA.
9 LAUREN MILLER-ROGEN.
10 MS. MILLER-ROGEN: YES.
11 MS. BONNEVILLE: ADRIANA PADILLA.
12 DR. PADILLA: YES.
13 MS. BONNEVILLE: AL ROWLETT.
14 MR. ROWLETT: YES.
15 MS. BONNEVILLE: MARVIN SOUTHARD.
16 DR. SOUTHARD: YES.
17 MS. BONNEVILLE: JONATHAN THOMAS.
18 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: YES.
19 MS. BONNEVILLE: ART TORRES.
20 MR. TORRES: AYE, EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH
21 WHICH I AM CONFLICTED.
22 MR. LAJARA: THIS IS RICH. ARE YOU GUYS
23 ABLE TO HEAR ME?
24 MS. BONNEVILLE: NOW WE CAN.
25 MR. LAJARA: YES.

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1 MS. BONNEVILLE: THANK YOU. THE MOTION
2 PASSES.

3 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU. OKAY. THE
4 ONLY REMAINING ORDER OF BUSINESS ON THE VOTES IS DO
5 I HAVE A MOTION TO NOT APPROVE THOSE PROJECTS THAT
6 REMAIN IN THE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE?

7 DR. DULIEGE: I MOTION.

8 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: MOVED BY ANNE-MARIE. DO
9 I HAVE A SECOND?

10 DR. SOUTHARD: SECOND.

11 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION
12 BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD? ANY DISCUSSION BY MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC? AND I WOULD REMIND THOSE WHO
14 SPOKE -- FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT,
15 BUT THIS WOULD NOT BE A TIME TO SPEAK AGAIN ON THAT
16 JUST TO REITERATE THOSE POINTS. YES, FRED.

17 DR. FISHER: APOLOGIES. COULD YOU JUST
18 REPEAT THE MOTION?

19 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THE MOTION IS TO NOT
20 APPROVE FOR FUNDING THOSE PROJECTS THAT REMAIN IN
21 THE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING RANGE, WHICH ARE
22 THOSE IN THE WHITE ON THE POSTED SPREADSHEET ON THE
23 SCREEN.

24 DR. FISHER: THANK YOU.

25 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR

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1 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD? ANY COMMENT FROM
2 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC? MARIA, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL
3 THE ROLL.

4 MS. BONNEVILLE: YES. AGAIN, IF YOU COULD
5 SAY YES OR NO EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH WHICH YOU HAVE A
6 CONFLICT.

7 LEONDRA CLARK-HARVEY.

8 MS. CLARK-HARVEY: YES.

9 MS. BONNEVILLE: ANNE-MARIE DULIEGE.

10 DR. DULIEGE: YES.

11 MS. BONNEVILLE: YSABEL DURON.

12 MS. DURON: YES, EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH
13 WHICH I HAVE A CONFLICT.

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15 DR. FISCHER-COLBRIE: YES.

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17 DR. FISHER: YES.

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19 DR. HIGGINS: YES.

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9 MS. BONNEVILLE: ART TORRES.

10 MR. TORRES: AYE, EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH
11 WHICH I AM IN CONFLICT.

12 MS. BONNEVILLE: THE MOTION CARRIES.

13 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
14 MARIA. THANK YOU, EVERYBODY, FOR THAT ROBUST
15 DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU TO ALL
16 THOSE WHO COMMENTED.

17 I WOULD ENCOURAGE THOSE OF YOU THAT DID
18 NOT GET AWARDS TODAY TO REAPPLY, IF THAT'S THE
19 APPROPRIATE MOVE, ON AUGUST 2D.

20 THAT CONCLUDES THE APPLICATION REVIEW
21 SUBCOMMITTEE PORTION OF THE MEETING. IS THERE ANY
22 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN GENERAL?

23 MS. BONNEVILLE: THERE IS NONE.

24 CHAIRMAN THOMAS: OKAY. HEARING THAT,
25 THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S BUSINESS. THANK YOU ALL. I

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1 WANT TO REMIND EVERYBODY WE HAVE A MEETING OF THE
2 FULL BOARD ON NEXT MONDAY AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
3 YOU ALL THEN. TILL THEN, HAVE A GREAT REST OF YOUR
4 WEEK AND WEEKEND. AND, MARIA, THANK YOU FOR ALL
5 YOUR WORK IN NAVIGATING THROUGH THIS, AS ALWAYS, AND
6 TO EVERYBODY ON THE TEAM FOR THEIR HELP.

7 ALL RIGHT. WE STAND ADJOURNED. THANKS
8 VERY MUCH.

9 (THE MEETING WAS THEN CONCLUDED AT 10:25
10 A.M.)

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