**Connecticut Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee- Grant Modification Subcommittee**

**Minutes-Regular Meeting**

**Thursday, September 9, 2010**

**8:30 pm**

A regular meeting of the Grant Modification Subcommittee (“The Subcommittee”) of the Connecticut Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, September 9, 2010, at The Connecticut Department of Public Health, 450 Capitol Ave, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Call to Order:** Ms. Sarnecky, noting the presence of a quorum, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Members present: Gerald Fishbone, M.D. (by phone); Ronald Hart, Ph.D. (by phone); Anne Hiskes, Ph.D. (by phone); Richard Dees, Ph.D. (by phone).

**Other attendees:** Chelsey Sarnecky (CI)

**Opening Remarks**

There were no opening remarks.

**Approval of minutes from March 25, 2010 Meeting**

There were no changes and no discussion.

**MOTION**: Upon a motion made by Dr. Fishbone, seconded by Dr. Hiskes, the subcommittee voted unanimously in favor of approving the minutes from the March 25, 2010 Grant Modification Subcommittee meeting.

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Ms. Sarnecky discussed the request from the principal investigator (“PI”), Dr. Redmond, and co-PI, Dr. Elsworth, for a reduction if effort of the co-PI. The reduction of effort that was requested amounted to about 0.91 calendar months of Dr. Elsworth’s time (24% reduction). The committee determined that this is a very small reduction in effort and have all the confidence that it won’t negatively impact the performance or progress of the project. There was no further discussion.

**MOTION**: Upon a motion made by Dr. Hart, seconded by Dr. Hiskes, the subcommittee voted unanimously in favor of approving the request to reduce Dr. Elsworth’s effort by 0.91 calendar months.

**Other Business**

There was no other business

**Public Comment**

Dr. Hart made an announcement about a Stem Cell Symposium that he is planning in New Jersey for September 29th. He mentioned that there are several posters and one invited speaker from the University of Connecticut. The keynote speaker is Marius Wernig of Stanford, who recently published the reprogramming of skin cells directly into neurons (without going through an iPS stage).

**Adjournment**:

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Dr. Hiskes, seconded by Dr. Dees, the Grants Modification Subcommittee members voted unanimously in favor of adjourning the meeting at 8:45 am.