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[Dr. David Harris](#)

Dr. Harris, Scientific Director of the Cord Blood Registry planned and sponsored a conference earlier this month here at the DuVal Auditorium. The conference, “The Promise of Stem Cells: Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine” was very well attended and was intended to educate the public on umbilical-cord stem cell research.

[Dr. Emmanuel Akporiaye](#)

Dr. Akporiaye co-chaired a scientific session titled “Enhancing cancer immunotherapy” at the 97th Annual Conference of the American Association for Cancer Research in Washington, DC.

Dr. Akporiaye has been invited to present a research talk and a lecture at the 1st International Symposium on Cancer Research and Cancer Immunology sponsored by the Sonora Cancer Research Center, Hermosillo, Mexico.

[Dr. Richard Ablin](#)

Dr. Ablin wishes to thank the Planning Committee and all presenters at the Frontiers in Immunobiology and Immunopathogenesis Symposium held March 25, 2006.

Reflections from the “Program Evaluation Forms” received indicate 91% of the 62 evaluations received rated the Overall Quality of the Program in the Excellent to Outstanding categories.

Set out to showcase the excellent interdisciplinary research in our department and to maximize the interaction between all in attendance, we are of the opinion, with your participation, we were able to achieve these objectives with a high degree of success.

Dr. Ablin has been invited together with Dr. Yi-Xin Zen (Sun Yat-sen University Cancer Center, Guangzhou, China) to Co-Chair the “Excellence in Translational Medicine Award Committee” of the Journal of Translational Medicine. The Award of \$2,500 sponsored by Pfizer Global Research and Development, Global Translational Medicine, will recognize outstanding contributions in patient-directed research.