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Perspectives on Stem Cell Research: The Promise and the Challenges

Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
2020 W. Brown Deer Rd.
Tuesday, November 1, 2005 7:00 p.m.

*An educational forum sponsored by the
Milwaukee Jewish Council for Community Relations*

Free and open to the public

Andy Cohn
Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation

Karen Lieberman will discuss stem cell research from a Jewish perspective.

A Representative of Hadassah & Ed Falone, President of Wisconsin Stem Cell Now
will share their organizations' advocacy on behalf of stem cell research.

Wisconsin is a leader in the field of stem cell research. Some of the first stem cell lines were developed at the University of Wisconsin and the private, nonprofit Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation holds many important patents. However, the future is uncertain because of limitations placed on the federal funding of such research. Andy Cohn, WARF Government Relations Manager, will provide an update on the potential of stem cell research and challenges facing public funding of embryonic stem cell research in Wisconsin and other states.

Karen Lieberman will discuss how the wisdom of Jewish teachings can be applied to this complex modern problem, and how Jewish legal, ethical and theological sources lead to the conclusion that Judaism very much supports and encourages the use of stem cells for research and for the development of therapies. Ms. Lieberman is a Jewish communal educator and a lawyer. She holds a master's degree in Jewish Studies from Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies; her areas of special interest are contemporary Jewish living, Jewish ethics, and adult Jewish education.

For more information or to RSVP, call 414-390-5781

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Wisconsin Stem Cell Now, Inc is a nonprofit organization that seeks to educate the public and lawmakers concerning the benefits of stem cell research, and that advocates continued support of this life-saving research. Wisconsin Stem Cell Now, Inc.- 4230 N. Oakland Ave. #249 - Shorewood, WI 53211-2042

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