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**STEM CELLS® and INTERNATIONAL STEM CELL SYMPOSIUM PRESENT ANNUAL
STEM CELLS® YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD**

Awardee to be named at 7th International Stem Cell Symposium Seoul, Korea – June 11, 2009

Durham, N.C., Hoboken, N.J. and Seoul, Korea—April 13, 2009—AlphaMed Press and Wiley-Blackwell, co-publishers of the peer-reviewed journal STEM CELLS®, announce that the annual STEM CELLS® Young Investigator Award, with co-sponsorship from the International Stem Cell Symposium, organized by Catholic University of Korea, will be presented on June 11, 2009 in Seoul, Korea. The US \$10,000 award will be presented to a young scientist who, as principal author, published a paper in STEM CELLS® during the past year that was judged to be most important by the Journal’s editorial board jury.

The awardee will be invited to present a paper at the 7th International Stem Cell Symposium with support provided by the conference organizers. Dr. Murphy, executive editor of STEM CELLS® will present a key note lecture at the Symposium, and Dr. Stojković, co-chair of the plenary session will present a plenary lecture along with leading international stem cell scientists Drs. Hiromitsu Nakauchi, Bruno Peault, Isao Sakaida, Ung-Il Chung, Albert Edge, Pavan Reddy and others.

“The STEM CELLS® Young Investigator Award was established to celebrate a new generation of innovative young investigators. Our senior editors are delighted to celebrate the scientific advances made by a young investigator whose research has made an outstanding contribution in advancing our understanding of stem cell biology,” said Dr. Martin J. Murphy, executive editor of STEM CELLS®. “We are equally pleased to continue our partnership with the International Stem Cell Symposium, since we believe this is the ideal setting to present this award.”

“STEM CELLS® is the oldest and most respected journal devoted to stem cell research and regenerative medicine,” said Professor Il-Hoan Oh, Director of The Catholic University of Korea’s Cell & Gene Therapy Institute and chair of the Symposium’s organizing committee. “The International Stem Cell Symposium, now in its seventh year, is thrilled to co-sponsor this award in partnership with this world-class journal.”

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About the International Stem Cell Symposium

The International Stem Cell Symposium has been organized annually by faculty of The Catholic University of Korea at which the most promising basic and clinical research dealing with stem cells and their therapeutic applications is critically discussed by cutting-edge researchers.

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