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**SUBJECT:** 2009/2010 UPDATE TO THE SCIENTIFIC STRATEGIC PLAN

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Attached for your approval at the October 27/28 ICOC meeting is the final version of the 2009/2010 Update to the CIRM Scientific Strategic Plan. As you may remember, this document was submitted for approval at the August 2009 meeting. At that time there was positive feedback from members of the ICOC but we did not have a quorum.

With this update we acknowledge that the 2006 Scientific Strategic Plan was intended to be a “living plan” and, as expected, there have been significant changes in the field of stem cell research. This update reflects a year and a half of review with input by the public, scientists, the board and management.

Primary Revisions:

- Increasing the translational pipeline to the clinic
- Reorganizing management activities to better chaperone the application of therapeutics based on stem cells
- Creating global science partnerships to leverage bond funds and enhance delivery of the mission
- Engaging the capacity to address major roadblocks, e.g. transplantation immunology
- Engaging the Biotechnology, Pharma and Investment sectors as significant partners
- Fostering teams integrating the public and private sectors to enhance translation
- Developing robust systems for capturing, evaluating and sharing results