

CIRM/Regenerative Medicine Consortium Roundtable on the Immune Response

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Welcome to our participants from the FDA, industry, academia, NIH



FDA	
Celia Witten	Pakwai Au
Stephanie Simek	Wei Liang
Mercedes Serabian	Theresa Chen
Raj Puri	Mark Borigini
Rachael Anatol	Alex Bailey
Wilson Bryan	Steve Bauer
Changting Haudenschild	Brian Niland
Bruce Schneider	Yolanda Warren Henderson (Lonnie) – coordinator



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Academia, NIH	Industry
Bruce Blazar	Amitabh Gaur
Christene Huang	Anthony J. Gringeri
David Hinton	Evert Kroon
Heike Daldrup-Link	Jane Lebkowski
John Zaia	Michael Holmes
Judy Shizuru	
Lucy Ghoda	
Michael Brehm	
Peter Stock	
Mahendra Rao, NIH	



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CIRM

Alan Trounson

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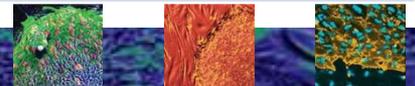
Sohel Talib

Cynthia Schaffer - coordinator



Agenda for Immune Response Roundtable

8:30-9:00	Welcome, intros, setting the context – E. Feigal
9:00-9:30	FDA (CBER) perspective on immune tolerance/immune response to cellular therapies – T. Chen, W. Bryan
break	
9:50-11:30	Strategies to induce tolerance or overcome immune response – Moderator B. Blazar; panel J. Shizuru, P.Stock/E.Kroon, D.Hinton
11:30-12:45	Animal models to study immune tolerance, immune response – Moderator C. Huang; panel J.Zaia, M. Brehm
12:45-2:30 Working lunch	Predictive immunology – assessment of immune response to stem cells and tissues – Moderator H. Daldrup-Link; panel A. Gaur, J. Lebkowski
2:30-3:15	Wrap-up panel with moderators
3:15-3:30	Closing remarks and action items



Context for today's roundtable...

- Roundtable is part of a continuing series of roundtables focused on regulatory challenges in moving stem cell-based therapies towards and into the clinic
- CIRM held a workshop in 2009 on immune response, and challenges identified:
 - Different strategies for inducing immune tolerance
 - Predictive assays for rejection or tolerance, and non-invasive ways, such as biomedical imaging, to measure such response
 - Appropriate disease models
 - Issues of alloreactivity must be studied in context of specific diseases, considering transplant paradigm and tissue that is involved in the therapy
 - Differences between allo- and xeno-reactivity complicate analysis of studies in which human cells transplanted into nonhuman animal models of disease



Objectives include...

- Interactive discussion with expertise from academia, industry, NIH, FDA to exchange experiences and perspectives on various approaches to tackling bottlenecks/addressing challenges in this area from preclinical and clinical
- Advance understanding so that we can more appropriately advance stem cell-based therapies towards and into the clinic, and ways in which we can more effectively assess and monitor immune response with the tools we have in hand now
- Consider ways to share/communicate lessons learned from these various approaches

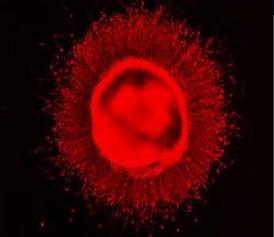


California Institute for Regenerative Medicine



- California taxpayer supported research institute – proposition 71 approved by voters (2004)
- Authorized \$3 billion of State Obligation Bonds to fund stem cell research in California (max \$300mill/yr) <6% for admin.
- Created an environment that supports both public and private sector research into life-saving and life-improving therapies for patients, based on stem cell science





CIRM activities towards our scientific mission

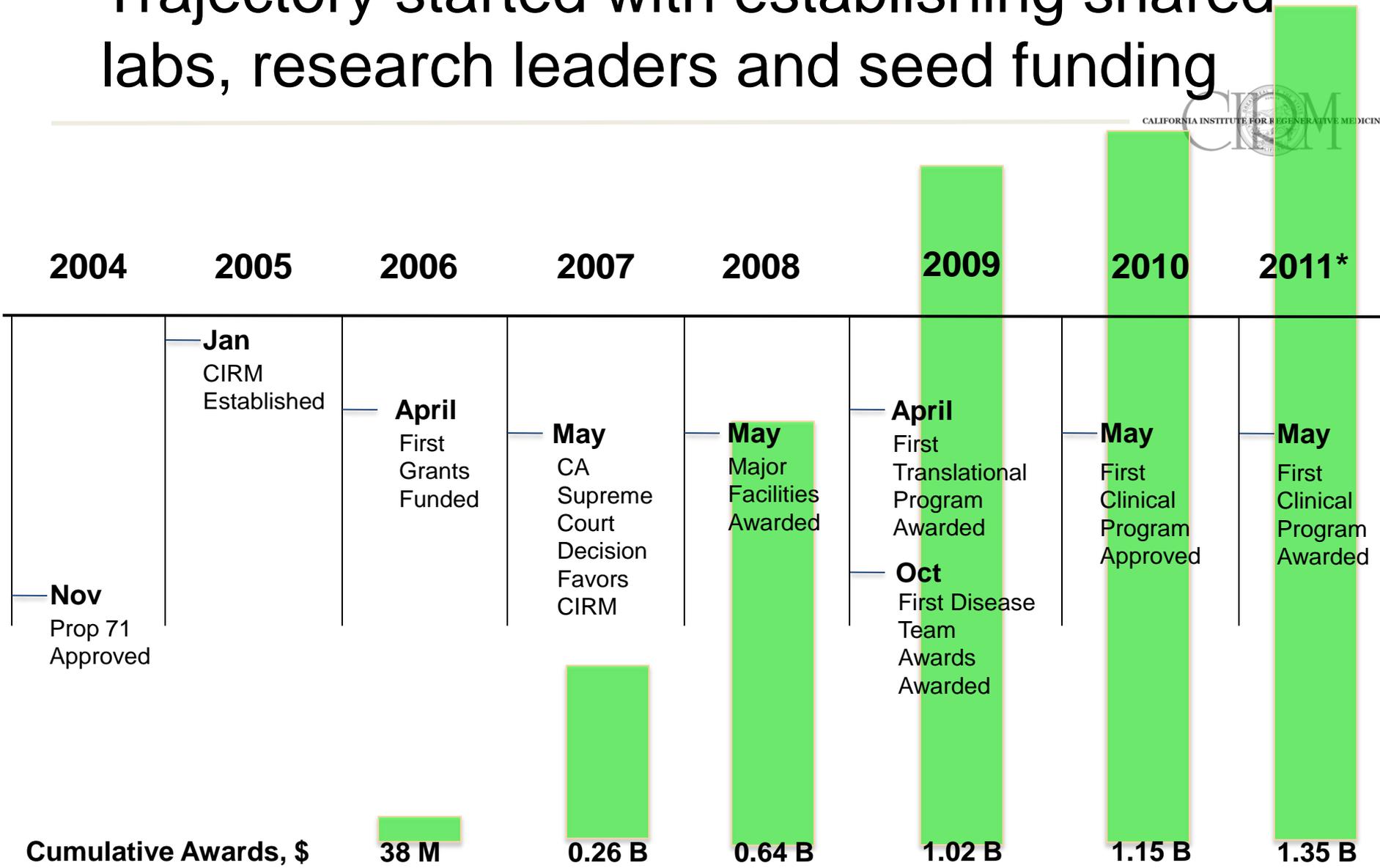


- 453 research and facilities awards
- 59 Institutes/Companies with CIRM awards
- 12 new institutes and centers of regenerative medicine ~\$1 B (\$271M from CIRM)
- \$1.35 B allocated
- Over 900 major scientific papers published (24% high impact journals)
- Over 100 new major stem cell researchers in California
- 14 Disease Teams (preclinical) awarded – up to \$20 M/award aimed for IND (FDA) within 4yrs
- First Clinical RFA awarded for hESC derived therapy, patients enrolling

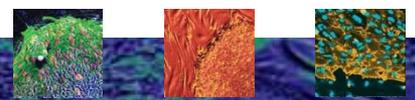


Trajectory started with establishing shared labs, research leaders and seed funding

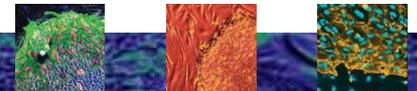
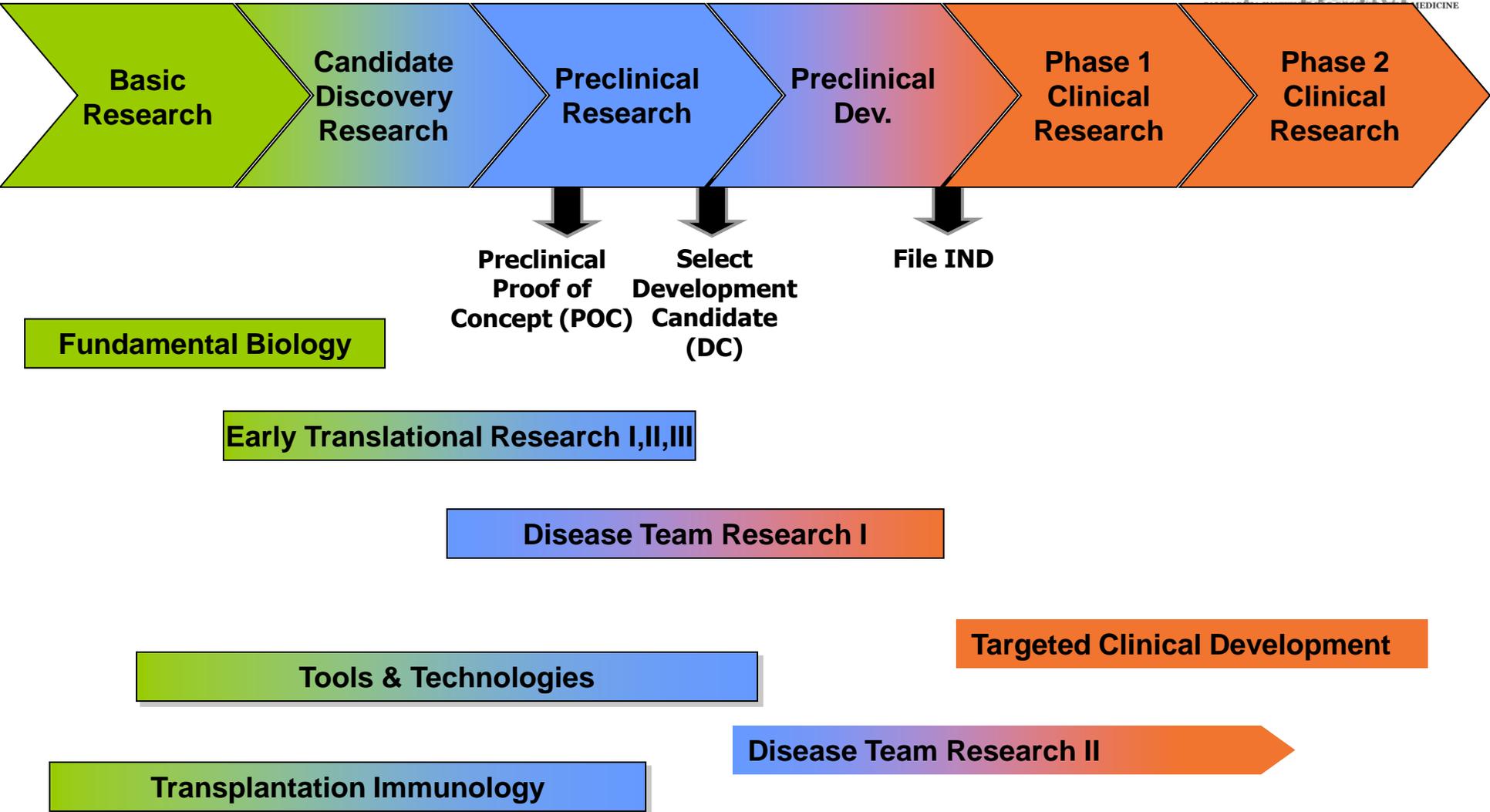
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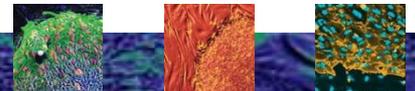
Programs cover product development spectrum



RFA 09-03: CIRM Stem Cell Transplantation Immunology



- Potential for stem cells to replace or restore tissues lost to injury or disease represents one of the most promising outcomes of regenerative medicine.
- As with whole organ transplantation, stem cell grafts are often not host derived, and possess major and minor histocompatibility antigen differences that, when recognized by the host immune system as foreign, can ultimately lead to their rejection.
- Purpose of the CIRM Stem Cell Transplantation Immunology initiative was to support transformative research leading to the development of immune tolerance of pluripotent stem cell derivatives and the potential correction of autoimmunity



Inducing immune tolerance, developing animal models and assays

- Specifically directed towards the goal of inducing tolerance to stem cell grafts.
 - Potential strategies include means to manipulate the host immune system or engineer allogeneic grafts to promote their acceptance.
 - Development and verification of animal models to predict the human immune response to allogeneic transplantation as well as the development of sensitive immunological assays to monitor graft acceptance or rejection.



CIRM funded 19 awards in transplantation immunology June 2010



RM1-01725	Robert Negrin	Stanford University
RM1-01730	David Raulet	UC Berkeley
RM1-01703	Jeffrey Bluestone	UC San Francisco
RM1-01702	Mark Anderson	UC San Francisco
RM1-01720	Martin Marsala	UC San Diego
RM1-01729	Anjana Rao	La Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology
RM1-01739	Kenneth Weinberg Australian Partner Claude C. Bernard	Stanford University Monash University
RM1-01735	Terrence Town	Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
RM1-01706	Christopher Contag	Stanford University
RM1-01711	Basil Hantash	Escape Therapeutics, Inc



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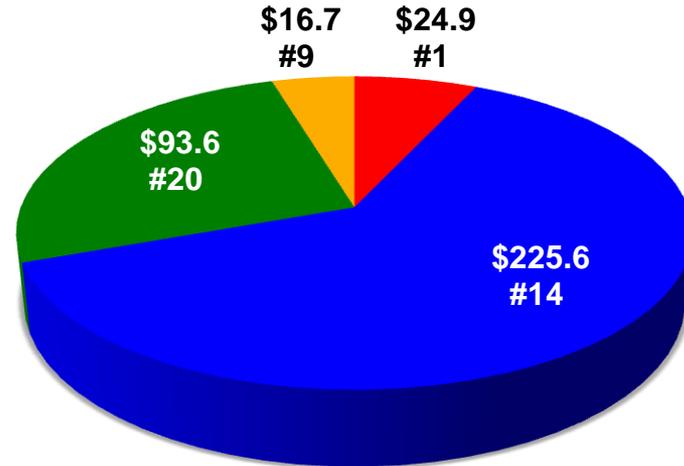


RM1-01707	Gay Crooks	UC Los Angeles
RM1-01709	Nicholas Gascoigne	Scripps Research Institute
RM1-01732	Ellen Robey	UC Berkeley
RM1-01718	Tippi MacKenzie	UC San Francisco
RM1-01724	William Murphy	UC Davis
RM1-01743	Yang Xu	UC San Diego
RM1-01717	Jeanne Loring Australian Partner Ban-Hock Toh	Scripps Research Institute Monash University
RM1-01710	Husein Hadeiba	Palo Alto Institute for Research and Education, Inc
RM1-01733	Judith Shizuru	Stanford University



Programs moving towards the clinic

CIRM Investment translational \$361 M 44 awards



Preclinical
Proof of Concept

Development
Candidate

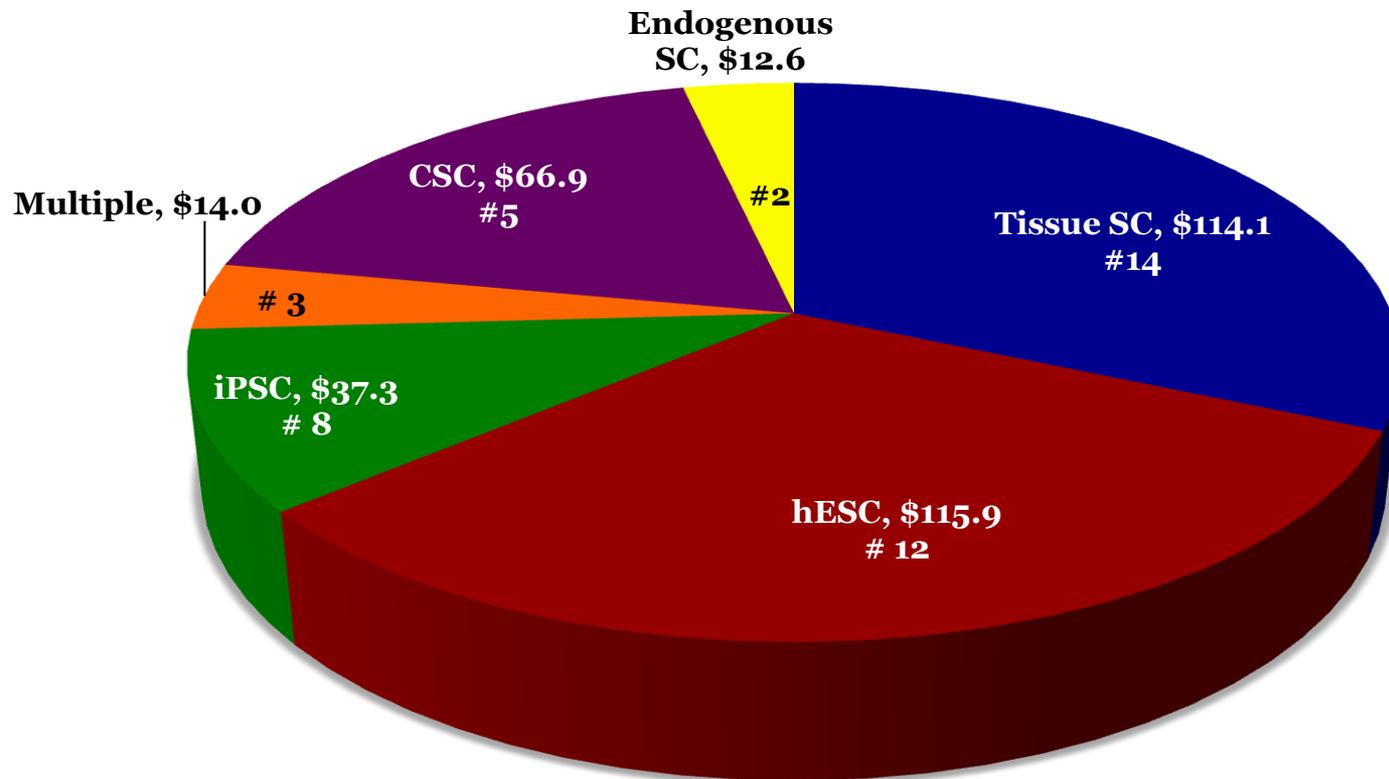
IND enabling

Phase I Clinical Study



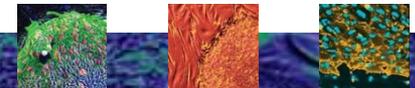
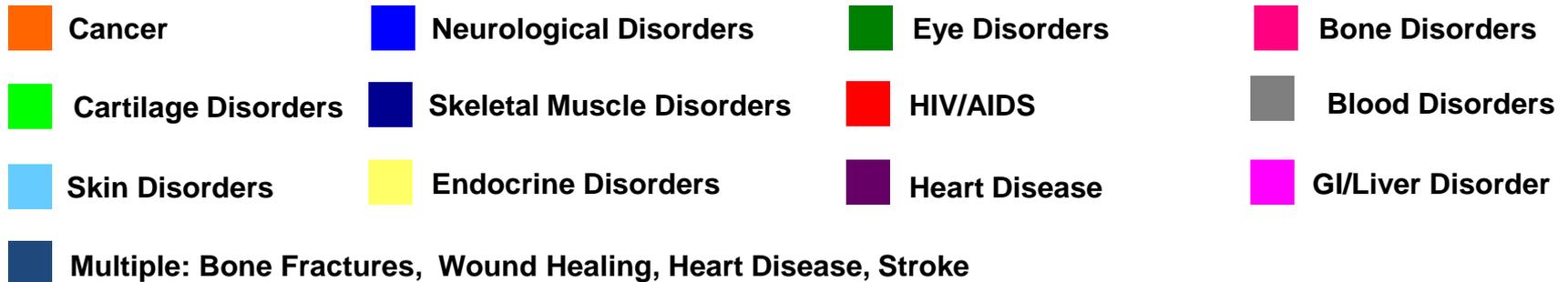
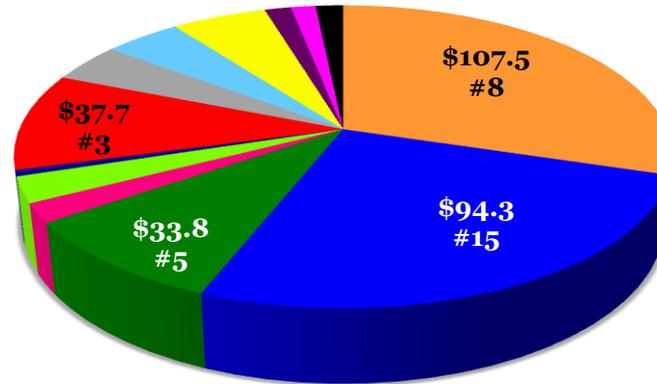
Focus is on stem-cell based platforms

CIRM Investment translational (\$361 M) 44 projects



Largest investments in neurological and eye diseases, cancer, and HIV/AIDS

Disease Area, CIRM Investment translational (\$361 M) 44 awards



Driven by science and evidence needed on regulatory pathway



- Prior to award
 - mutually agreed upon Go, no go and progress milestones, success criteria
- During the conduct of research
 - Interactive ongoing discussions between CIRM scientists and funded research team
 - Updates on interval progress on bi-annual to quarterly basis and overall annual progress updates
 - clinical development advisor meetings yearly/ key milestones (DT1 at 12-18 month milestones)
- CIRM/FDA webinars, educational roundtables, conferences, seminars



For more information...

- www.cirm.ca.gov
 - Disease information
 - Complete list of funded awards
 - Interactive map

