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CINJ Leader Joins Board at the National Cancer Institute (NCI)
Three Members of CINJ's Leadership Now Part of NCI Boards

New Brunswick, New Jersey, November 14, 2005 – The National Cancer Institute (NCI), part of the U.S. National Institutes of Health and the government's principal agency for cancer research and training, has invited a third member of The Cancer Institute of New Jersey's (CINJ) leadership to join one of its Scientific Boards.

Cory Abate-Shen, Ph.D., [Warren, NJ] Member, Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine and Professor of Medicine and Neuroscience and Chief, Division of Developmental Medicine and Research, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and Co-Director, The Dean and Betty Gallo Prostate Cancer Center at CINJ, has joined the Board of Scientific Counselors at the National Cancer Institute.

The Board of Scientific Counselors' goal is to advise the Directors of the Intramural Division of the NCI and the Director and Deputy Director on a wide variety of matters concerning scientific program policy and the progress and future direction of research programs of each Division. The Board also evaluates the performance and productivity of each Division, including those doing the research through periodic site visits to intramural laboratories, and evaluation and advice on the course of each Division's program.

Dr. Abate-Shen will join Eileen White, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Adjunct Professor, Department of Surgery, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and Associate Director of Basic Science, CINJ on the Board of Scientific Counselors.

"We are proud to have such strong representation on these boards," said Dr. William N. Hait, M.D., Ph.D., Director of CINJ and Associate Dean, Oncology Programs, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and member of NCI's Board of Scientific Advisors. "These positions allow our researchers and Center to play a pivotal role in helping NCI achieve its mission."

The Cancer Institute of New Jersey is the state's first and only National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center, and is dedicated to improving the prevention, detection, treatment and care of patients with cancer. CINJ's physician-scientists engage in translational research, transforming their laboratory discoveries into clinical practice—quite literally bringing research to life. The Cancer Institute of New Jersey is a Center of Excellence of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. To support CINJ, please call 732/235-8614.

The Cancer Institute of New Jersey Network is comprised of hospitals throughout the state and provides a mechanism to rapidly disseminate important discoveries into the community. Partner Hospitals: Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Atlantic Health System (Morristown Memorial Hospital, Mountainside Hospital, Overlook Hospital). Affiliate Hospitals: Bayshore Community Hospital, CentraState Healthcare System, Cooper University Hospital (CINJ at Cooper),* Jersey Shore University Medical Center, JFK Medical Center, Monmouth Medical Center, Raritan Bay Medical Center, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Hamilton (CINJ at Hamilton), Saint Peter's University Hospital, Somerset Medical Center, Southern Ocean County Hospital, The University Hospital/UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School*, and University Medical Center at Princeton.

- Academic Affiliate

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