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Genetics Policy Institute (GPI) and NABT to Launch Stem Cell Educational Summit in Denver

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The Genetics Policy Institute (GPI) and National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT) will launch the first Stem Cell Education Summit on Saturday, November 14, as part of the NABT's 2009 Professional Development Conference at the Sheraton Denver.

The Summit will cover a wide range of topics relevant to field including science, ethics and policy. Nobel Laureate Mario R. Capecchi, PhD, Co-Winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine will provide the keynote address. Representative Diana DeGette will discuss "US Stem Cell Science & Policy: Past, Present and Future." There will be additional panels and workshops covering science, ethics, policy and career opportunities.

Designed to complement the offerings of an established professional conference for biology teachers, the Stem Cell Education Summit will host stem cell experts from multiple disciplines in a unique, interactive learning environment. "The Genetics Policy Institute is very pleased to partner with NABT for this important educational event," said Bernard Siegel, Executive Director of GPI. "Utilizing our network of experts in science, law and policy, GPI will deliver, to this outstanding audience, the critical information they require to introduce these important discoveries into their classrooms."

Bunny Jaskot, President- Elect of the NABT said, "Understanding biology's role in the broader scope of education, NABT recognizes how the efforts of teachers positively influences students, affects communities, and impacts the environment. By working with major partners like GPI, NABT has been instrumental in raising awareness and educating the public on issues ranging from medical and technological advancement to global issues such as conservation and sustainability."

For more information, visit www.stemcelleducationsummit.org

About NABT

For the last 70 years, this non-profit association has served biology teachers around the world, upholding scientific integrity and fighting for the right to teach accurate and current science without penalty from political or religious influence on content. For more information, visit www.nabt.org.

About GPI

Genetics Policy Institute was formed in 2003 with the mission of promoting and defending stem cell research and its application in medicine to develop therapeutics and cures for many otherwise intractable diseases and disorders. GPI pursues this mission through its flagship annual World Stem Cell Summit, publication of the World Stem Cell Report, special projects, speaking engagements, teaching initiatives and strategic collaborations. For

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