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The Medical Foundation and NIH Translational Research Forum

Sunday, May 6, 2007
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*Private foundations and charities that have traditionally funded academic scientists have started doing the once-unthinkable: writing checks for millions of dollars to for-profit companies.**

Translation research is getting a major boost from non-profit medical advocacy groups and organizations like the National Institutes of Health. **The Medical Foundation and NIH Translational Research Forum at the 2007 BIO International Convention** will bring together the major funders of translational research to let pharma and biotech companies and academic centers know how they can get involved in foundation and NIH-driven translational research.

Consider these recent developments:

- In late 2006, the Juvenile Diabetes Research

Foundation (JDFR) agreed to send **\$3 million to Sangamo BioSciences, Inc.** It also announced funding for a phase-2 trial by Transition Therapeutics, Inc. and a phase-3 trial by TolerRx Inc.

- In January, 2007, the JDFR announced a **\$2 million grant to MacroGenics, Inc.** for a phase-2/3 antibody clinical trial.
- Also in January, the Michael J. Fox Foundation awarded **Sangamo \$950,000** for gene-regulation research.
- And in March, Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy announced a nearly **\$500,000 grant to Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

The Translational Research Forum has enlisted the top trend-makers as participants. They include presidents and CEOs of a dozen of the industry's top funders including **JDRF, the Michael J. Fox Foundation, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, The Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association, the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation,** and others.

Plus, Monday Luncheon Keynote Speaker, **Michael J. Fox,** will address the need to drive translational research to develop novel therapies for Parkinson's disease.



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* Sharon Begley, *The Wall Street Journal*, "Why nonprofits fund companies that do drug research," January 26, 2007

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