

## California: Conflicts come to light at stem cell institute

*The following is an excerpt.*

With a new chairman, Jonathan Thomas, the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine claims it has turned a page. Thomas has vowed to be aggressive in avoiding conflicts in dispersing millions of public dollars for stem cell research.

Yet serious conflicts continue to be revealed involving CIRM. The latest one throws into question a \$20 million grant awarded last year to StemCells Inc., a company that wants to transplant neural stem cells to treat Alzheimer's disease.

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