

## A Warm Welcome to our New Members

### News Link

Source: [FederalRegister.gov](http://FederalRegister.gov)

Title: [Amendments to Sterility Test Requirements for Biological Products](#)

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Extract: This rule provides manufacturers of biological products greater flexibility, as appropriate, and encourages use of the most appropriate and state-of-the-art test methods for assuring the safety of biological products....

**RPCI GMP: Therapeutic Cell Production Facility**

Director Chris Choi, PhD

**NYU Cancer Institute Vaccine & Cell Therapy Lab.  
Langone Medical Center**

Director Rachel Sabado, PhD

## Events and meetings

### ASGCT 2012:

**AABM Scientific Symposium was a success!**

**Gene and Cell Therapy Clinical Trials:**

**Manufacturing Challenges for the Next Horizons**

**Chairs: Fraser Wright, Ph.D. and Isabelle Riviere, Ph.D**

### Upcoming Events

#### ISCT Meeting 2012

**Presenting: Larry Couture, Ph.D.**

#### BIO Meeting 2012

**Presenting: Han van der Loo, Ph.D., Isabelle Riviere, Ph.D.  
Fraser Wright, Ph.D.**

### AABM Annual Meeting 2012-2013 Steering Committee Election Results

- Larry Couture, City of Hope (Chair)
- Lorraine Matheson, Indiana University
- Han Vanderloo, Cincinnati Children's Hospital
- Fraser Wright, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- Elizabeth Murray, Marshall University
- Isabelle Riviere, Memorial Sloan Kettering

### Participate in the AABM

Positions are available in our 2012-2013 Meeting Committee and Communications Committee

If you are interested in serving, please email [aabm@aabmonline.org](mailto:aabm@aabmonline.org)

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**Facility Director  
Roger E Bumgarner, Ph.D.**

## FEATURED FACILITY

The Gene and Cell Therapy lab funded by the Institute of Translational Health Sciences (ITHS) is located within the Clinical Research Centre at University of Washington Medical Centre. The 2200 sq.ft clean room facility has four ISO class 7 suites to develop and manufacture gene modified cells, vector production and ex-vivo manipulation of cells for novel gene and cell therapy products.

The GCTL provides training and expertise in cell processing for Phase I/II immunotherapy, gene therapy and stem cell therapy studies. It has on-site apheresis unit and patient care rooms with nursing services for infusions and follow-up visits. In collaboration with other research support groups like Pre-clinical Research Development core and Regulatory Support and Bioethics core within ITHS, the GCTL trained staff are able to provide comprehensive bench to bedside translation services to both Investigator sponsored studies and Industry sponsored studies.

For more information on the facility please visit the website- <https://www.iths.org/TTRC#/TTRC/gctl> or contact the facility Manager, Ponni Anand, M.Sc., at [ponnia@uw.edu](mailto:ponnia@uw.edu) or at 206-598-7038. Dr. Roger E Bumgarner, Ph.D., is the Director of the facility.

### Gene and Cell Therapy Lab University of Washington Medical Centre

