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MEDIA ALERT

**American Society of Nephrology's (ASN) 38th Annual Meeting and Scientific Exposition
on November 8-13, 2005 in Philadelphia, PA**

Stem Cells and the Kidney News Briefing

Thursday, November 10, 2005; 12:15 pm–1:15 pm

Room 303A, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

Moderator: Joseph V. Bonventre, MD, PhD

- **The Use of Human Embryonic Stem Cells for Therapy**, Laurie Jackson-Grusby, PhD
Basic and Clinical Science Symposia, Thursday, November 10, 1:30 pm–3:30 am, Room 105
- **Mesenchymal Kidney Stem Cells**, Qais Al-Awqati, MD
Basic and Clinical Science Symposia, Thursday, November 10, 1:30 pm–3:30 pm, Room 105
- **Administration of Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSC) to Rats with Ischemic Acute Renal Failure (ARF) Protects Renal Function and Enhances Recovery Primarily through Paracrine Renotropic, Anti-Inflammatory and Vasculo-Supportive Mechanisms**
Florian E. Toegel, MD and Christof Westenfelder, MD
Free Communications [SA-FC015], Saturday, November 12, 4:20 pm–4:30 pm, Room 204A
- **Kidney Derived Stem Cells: In Vivo Localization and Cellular Therapy of Acute Renal Failure**
Sandeep Gupta, MD
Free Communications [SA-FC019], Saturday, November 12, 5:00 pm–5:10 pm, Room 204A

Contact: Shari Leventhal: 202-416-0658, sleventhal@asn-online.org (before Nov. 8)

November 8: ASN Management Office, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 304, (215) 418-2061

Wednesday, Nov. 9–Sunday, Nov. 13: ASN Press Room, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 303B,
(215) 418-2058 (Press Room), 202-236-8142 (after hours)

The ASN is a not-for-profit organization of 9,000 physicians and scientists dedicated to the study and practice of nephrology and committed to providing a forum for the promulgation of information regarding the latest research and clinical findings on kidney disease.

Please note: additional highlights for Renal Week 2005 can be located within ASN's Press Guide. This information is obtainable through the media portion of the ASN website at <http://www.asn-online.org>. All individuals identified within this Media Alert are available for comments; see contact information above to arrange interviews.

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