Agenda

I. Call to Order/Chair’s Remarks
   The Honorable John Edward Porter

II. Report of the Secretary
    Georges Benjamin, MD

III. Nominating Committee Report
    Martha Hill, PhD, RN; Chair, Nominating Committee

IV. President’s Report
    Mary Woolley

V. Treasurer’s Report
    Mary J.C. Hendrix, PhD

VI. Membership Report
    Mary J.C. Hendrix, PhD; Chair, Membership Committee

VII. Closing Remarks
    The Honorable John Edward Porter
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Research!America Chair
Georges Benjamin, MD
Research!America Board Member and Board Secretary
Report of the Secretary

- Establishment of a quorum for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Members

- Motion to approve proposed amendments to Research!America’s bylaws:
  - Year-long review by a Board-appointed Governance Task Force
  - The amended bylaws meet contemporary standards of governance
  - Term limits of three terms are established to provide rotation of the Board

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Report of the Secretary

- Strengthens governance by requiring a periodic Board self-assessment
- Research!America meets all 33 standards of Independent Sector’s *Principles for Good Governance and Ethical Practices*.

- The Board of Directors, by more than a two-thirds majority, voted to recommend approval of the amended bylaws by the membership at today’s Annual Meeting of Members.
- Research!America thanks the Governance Task Force: Georges Benjamin, MD, Chair; Harry Johns; Lucinda Maine, PhD; William Peck, MD.
Martha N. Hill, PhD, RN

Research!America Board Member and Chair, Research!America Nominating Committee
Election of New Board Members

- **Nancy Brown**, American Heart Association
- **The Honorable Mike Castle**, United States Representative, 1993-2011
- **Carol Greider**, PhD, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
  - **The Honorable Kweise Mfume**, National Medical Association; United States Representative, 1987-1996
- **Elizabeth Nabel**, MD, Brigham and Women’s Hospital
- **Joseph Feczko**, MD, Cardoz Pharmaceuticals
- **Sudip Parikh**, PhD, Battelle
Election of Continuing Board Members

- Mary J.C. Hendrix, PhD, Children’s Memorial Research Hospital
  - Jackie Lovelace Johnson, Lovelace Respiratory Institute
- Laing Rogers Sisto, Community Leader
Recognition of Outgoing Board Members

- Dennis Ausiello, MD, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School

- The Honorable Billy Tauzin, Tauzin Strategic Networks

- Judy Woodruff, “NewsHour with Jim Lehrer”

All three will become Research!America emeritus directors.
Mary Woolley
Research!America President and CEO
Mary Woolley, President and CEO

- **Administrative:** Michael Coburn; Barbara Love; Sue Reedy; Ambar Saeed; Brooke Wilkins
- **Communications:** Heather Jameson; Brian Hunsicker; Eva Maciejewski
- **Membership and Development:** Carol Kennedy; Kyndra Fuller
- **Policy, Programs and Outreach:** Ellie Dehoney; Heather Benson; Max Bronstein; Jennifer Chow; Alexandra Cordts; Bill Leinweber; Michelle Hernandez
- **Burroughs Wellcome Fund Interns:** Rachael Shoop, Christian Torres
- **Global Health Intern:** Alex Fortenko
Research!America’s Mission

Making research to improve health a higher national priority

Research!America is the only advocacy alliance focused solely on medical and health research.
Our Key Objectives

- Increase investment in domestic health-related R&D
- Increase investment in global health-related R&D
- Ensure that R&D investments reach patients by improving the policy environment
- Promote science overall and counter attacks made on science
Key Objective No. 1

Increase investment in domestic health-related R&D

- Build champions
- Demonstrate return on investment
- Make the case for R&D as an economic driver
- Demonstrate public support
Build and Support Champions

- 60+ meetings with Members of Congress and congressional staffers
- 8 Congressional Briefings
- 30 statements and letters to Congress and the Administration
Porter’s Principles

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For Meetings with Members of Congress

John Porter’s Advice for Meetings on Capitol Hill

If your member is not available, plan a meeting with a member of their staff.

Trust staff as you would the member.

Staffers are highly influential and members rely on their input.

Constitutional duties of a Member of Congress:

- Research & member issues
- Adjourn the member
- Meet with constituents
- Send key messages
- Speak with member’s scheduler
- Speak with member’s legislative assistant
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- Meet with member’s scheduler
- Meet with member’s legislative assistant
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Questions: Contact Emily Casey at emilyc@researchamerica.org
Your Congress–Your Health
for the 112th Congress

- 170 Members of the 112th Congress on the record through previous initiatives
- All Members are invited to share their views on health, research and related issues
- Constituent outreach, through partners and advocacy networks, helps encourage participation

www.yourcongressyourhealth.org
Thanks to Our Your Congress-
Your Health Sponsors to Date:
Investment Fact Sheets: 
Research Saves Lives and Money
2010 Garfield Economic Impact Award: December 2

9th annual award to Frank R. Lichtenberg, PhD, and co-authors for “Has Medical Innovation Reduced Cancer Mortality?” Economics of Innovation and New Technology, 2010. The New York Times’ David Leonhardt moderated a discussion among Lichtenberg, John Seffrin, PhD, and Sherry Glied, PhD

www.researchamerica.org/economicimpact_award
Research is a Solution to Rising Health Care Costs

When it comes to rising health care costs, would you say research to improve health is part of the problem or part of the solution?

- 77% Part of the solution
- 23% Part of the problem

Source: Your Candidates - Your Health Poll, August 2010
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "The U.S. is losing its global competitive edge in science, technology and innovation."

Source: National Poll, May 2010
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Americans Think Government Investment in R&D is Important

Many governments have set a goal to spend 3% of GDP (annual economic output of a country) on research and development, and some, including Japan and Korea, have already exceeded this goal. How important do you think it is for the U.S. to achieve this goal?

Source: Your Candidates - Your Health Poll, August 2010
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Americans Think R&D is Important to State Economies

How important do you think research and development is to your state’s economy?

48% Very important
43% Somewhat important
8% Not too important
1% Not at all important

Source: Your Candidates - Your Health Poll, August 2010
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Media Attention to Research! America
Economic Impact Messages
Leaders Speak Out

• 45+ invited presentations by Chair, CEO and senior staff
Key Objective No. 2

Increase investment in global health-related R&D

- Demonstrate public support
- Build champions
- State data fact sheets
- Coalition leadership
New Jerseyans Think They Should Be Concerned About Global Health

When you hear the term global health, do you think it is an issue about which New Jersey residents should be concerned?

- Yes: 78%
- No: 22%

Source: New Jersey Global Health Survey, January 2011
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Global Health Research Spending is Important to Illinois’ Economy

In terms of jobs and incomes, how important do you think spending money on research to improve health globally is to the economy of Illinois?

Source: Illinois Global Health Poll, November 2010
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Global Health Focus on Illinois and New Jersey

Global Health R&D
A smart investment for ILLINOIS

Why Invest?
- Illinois has a strong foundation in health and research, with a commitment to improving health outcomes and reducing healthcare costs.
- The state is home to leading universities and research institutions, providing access to cutting-edge research and development.
- Illinois is a leader in healthcare technology and innovation, with a focus on improving patient care.

Global Health R&D
A smart investment for NEW JERSEY

Why Invest?
- New Jersey is a key player in the global healthcare sector, with a focus on research and development.
- The state is home to leading healthcare companies and research institutions, providing access to cutting-edge research and development.
- New Jersey is a leader in healthcare technology and innovation, with a focus on improving patient care.

HEALTH IMPACT
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RESEARCH AMERICA
AN ALLIANCE FOR DISCOVERIES IN HEALTH
Press Statement from Sen. Richard Durbin (D-IL)

Durbin: House Cuts to Medical Research Funding Put Illinois Jobs at Risk and Jeopardize America's Leading Role in Bio-Medical Research

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... Last year, Illinois received $884 million in NIH funding — $775 million of which went to research centers in the Chicagoland area — which created or supported nearly 12,000 jobs across the state.

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