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**Recent Florida News**

- A team of scientists led by a neuroscientist at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville has found "one piece in the puzzle of the whole picture of neurodegeneration." The genetic discovery, published in the February issue of *Nature Genetics*, identifies the defect causing Perry syndrome and might lead to better treatments and even a cure for Parkinson's, Lou Gehrig's disease and depression.
- The FDA cleared an innovative wound dressing primarily developed by University of Florida researchers and marketed by Gainesville's Quick-Med Technologies. The FDA-approved "NOBLE"™ sterile gauze wound care dressings after reviewing it in its De Novo process, designed for medical devices that are unlike any currently on the market.
- Scipio Florida – a division of The Scipio Research Institute – opened a 350,000-square-foot biomedical research facility next to the Florida Atlantic University campus in Palm Beach County that focuses on basic biomedical science, drug discovery and technology development.

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- Tampa's Stem Cell Therapy to merge with South Korean firm**  
Stem Cell Therapy International said it has secured short-term funding to finalize its merger with HistoStem, a South Korean firm that manages a cord blood and stem cell bank, to create a firm called AndStem International. Under the merger, AndStem is expected to bring to the U.S. adult stem cells from Asia for use in clinical studies and treatments. [American City Business Journals/Tampa, Fla.](#) (1/17)
- Stroke victims benefit from stem cell scaffolds**  
U.K. scientists working on mice were able to replace brain tissues damaged by stroke within a week after injecting small polymer balls filled with neural stem cells. The biodegradable balls served as a scaffold that enabled the cells to develop brain tissues in the cavity. They plan to use the VEGF protein to stimulate the growth of blood vessels in the treated areas. [BBC](#) (3/9)
- Expert looks advances in cord blood research, therapy**  
The use of human cord blood in regenerative medicine has greatly advanced during the past two decades, said Colin McGuckin, president and director of Cell Therapy Research Institute in France. Cord blood can now treat 65 diseases, including sickle cell anemia and thalassemia, and is also being tested for treating diabetes, stroke and cerebral palsy. McGuckin said. [The Irishman/Galaxy](#) (2/19)
- Stem cell transplant enables AIDS patient to stop taking anti-virals**  
A stem cell transplant eliminated leukemia in a 40-year-old AIDS patient and enabled him to cease taking anti-viral medicines, German researchers reported. The patient received stem cells from a donor with a mutant gene lacking the CCR5 section, which helps HIV invade cells. [Bioethics](#) (2/11)
- UAE partners with Florida center to advance blood research**  
The United Arab Emirates' Ministry of Health has signed an agreement to collaborate with Florida's Blood Centers in advancing research on bone marrow, blood collection, storage, transplantation and transfusion. "Stem cell therapy is the medicine of the future and we are keen on performing researches on cellular therapy and the exchange of information between our UAE and U.S. medical staff," said Anne Chinda, Florida's Blood Centers president and CEO. [Gulf News \(United Arab Emirates\)](#) (2/9)
- Medical researchers eagerly anticipate new opportunities for stem cell studies**  
Medical scientists looking for new treatments are pleased that President Barack Obama may open the door to more stem cell research. "This clearly is a very important part of our medical future," said the director of the University of South Florida Center of Excellence for Aging and Brain Repair. [U.S. News & World Report/USF News](#) (2/9)

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