



Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

March 6, 2008

Dear Colleague,

By now, you should have received an invitation for the following briefing featuring Dr. Richard Burt of Northwestern University, author of a study published in the Feb. 27 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (see U.S. News article below for more information).

**REAL STEM CELL TREATMENTS AND ADVANCING SCIENCE**

Thursday, March 13, 2008

12 Noon – 1:00 P.M.

HC-9, U.S. Capitol

**FEATURED PRESENTER:**

Dr. Richard Burt, M.D., Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine  
Author, "Clinical Applications of Blood-Derived and Marrow-Derived Stem Cells for  
Nonmalignant Diseases" (*Journal of the American Medical Association*, 2/27/2008)

**PATIENTS SPEAKING:**

Barry Goudy, treated for Multiple Sclerosis

Amy Daniels, treated for Systemic Sclerosis

Jill Rosen, treated for Lupus

*Light Refreshments Provided*

This briefing is open to Members and their staff  
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Dr. Burt will present the findings of this groundbreaking project, which examined hundreds of studies that were conducted between January 1997 and December 2007, and found that therapies using blood or bone marrow derived stem cells can successfully and safely treat heart disease and autoimmune disorders. In addition, you will hear first-hand accounts from patients who have successfully undergone this type of treatment.

Yours truly,

J. RANDY FORBES  
Member of Congress

DANIEL LIPINSKI  
Member of Congress