



## **Coriell Institute Gets NIH Contract For Stem Cell Lab**

On January 25, 2010, Philadelphia Business Journal staff writer, John George, reported on Coriell's receipt of a \$27 million contract awarded by the National Institutes of Health – an award which allows Coriell to continue serving as the home of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) Human Genetic Cell Repository.

Through this contract, Coriell will introduce a powerful new technology known as induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells, which share the ability of an embryonic stem cell to turn into any of the cell types found in the human body – without the use of an embryo. These cells hold great promise for the future of disease treatment, Mr. George reported.

Additionally, Coriell will pursue the collection of samples from individuals with isolated congenital heart defects, the leading cause of death among infants.

To read the article in its entirety, please visit the Philadelphia Business Journal website: <http://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/stories/2010/01/25/daily7.html?surround=lfm>