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TOP STORY

[ZymeQuest Inks \\$2M License Deal](#)

Biotechnology firm ZymeQuest Inc. of Beverly has licensed its enzyme technology to an unnamed, public life sciences company for \$2 million, the firm reports.

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[CSL Behring Expands Into Middle East Market with Haemate\(R\) P High levels of Type III von Willebrand Disease](#)

CSL Behring has announced that Iran's Ministry of Health and Medical Education has granted rights to the company to distribute Haemate(R) P on an exclusive basis throughout Iran, beginning immediately.

[Microchip-based Device Can Detect Rare Tumor Cells in Bloodstream](#)

A team of investigators from the Massachusetts General Hospital BioMicroElectroMechanical Systems Resource Center and the MGH Cancer Center has developed a microchip-based device that can isolate, enumerate and analyze circulating tumor cells from a blood sample.

[CJD Death 'is No Cause for Panic'](#)

A mysterious case of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease has raised fears more people than thought could be at risk.

[Students Want Screening of Blood Donors Changed](#)

Some Canadian university groups are speaking out over what they feel are outdated and discriminatory screening practices for blood donors.

ABSTRACTS, REVIEWS AND SPECIAL REPORTS

[Markers of Platelet Activation and Apoptosis in Platelet Concentrates Collected by Apheresis](#)

On the basis of changes of sP-selectin and annexin V levels it could be concluded that initial platelet activation, which is induced by apheresis, is very likely without any further impact on quality of platelets during storage.

[Short-term Femoral Venous Dialysis Catheters for Autologous Peripheral Blood Progenitor Cell Collection: Retrospective Evaluation in 276 Catheter Practice from a Single Center](#)

These results showed that short-term femoral venous dialysis catheters (STFVCs) minimized the serious side effects such as thrombophlebitis, bleeding and infection of PBPC products. The STFVCs appeared safe and effective for PBPC collection.

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BUSINESS

[Haemonetics\(R\) Software Solutions to Launch Enhanced Software Application for Blood Component Manufacturing](#)

Haemonetics Software Solutions is pleased to announce U.S. 510(k) marketing clearance for another software module in the Symphony(TM) blood bank management software suite. The Symphony 2.0 software will include a blood component manufacturing and distribution application, in addition to the blood donor management tools included in the previous software release.

[Cerner Joins to Develop Bedside Technology](#)

Spectrum Health has announced that it is partnering with Cerner Corp. and Microsoft Corp. to develop the Cerner Care Console, new bedside technology to better inform and entertain patients.

[Dialysis Corporation of America Announces Acquisition of Georgia Dialysis Center](#)

Dialysis Corporation of America announced the acquisition of a majority interest in a dialysis center in Hawkinsville, GA.

[DaVita and Phoenix-Based Southwest Kidney Institute Form Broad Partnership](#)

DaVita Inc. has announced that it and Southwest Kidney Institute, PLC have formed a wide-ranging partnership to provide dialysis and vascular access services, as well as chronic kidney disease education and research in the greater Phoenix area.

[Alba Targets Break Into Troubled Chinese Health Sector](#)

Alba Bioscience, still in celebratory mood after achieving a breakthrough to supply a range of key blood testing agents to the US market, is to hold a key meeting early in the new year to tap the potentially lucrative Chinese market.

[Gambro Healthcare Becomes Diaverum and Introduces a New CEO](#)

Gambro Healthcare has been operating as an independent company since July 2007, 100% focused on renal services. As a consequence, Gambro Healthcare is now changing name to Diaverum.

[DomaniCell Cord Blood Banking Program Launched at Saint Peter's University Hospital](#)

DomaniCell, LLC has announced that Saint Peter's University Hospital has recently partnered with DomaniCell to provide a hospital-based cord blood banking program.

[CentraState Medical Center Launches DomaniCell Cord Blood Banking Program](#)

DomaniCell, LLC has announced that CentraState Healthcare System has partnered with DomaniCell to provide a hospital-based cord blood banking program at CentraState Medical Center.

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FUNDING & PROGRAMS

[Modified Application Submission, Referral and Review for Appointed NIH Study Section Members \(NOT-OD-08-026\)](#)

[NIH Policy on Late Submission of Grant Applications \(NOT-OD-08-027\)](#)
[Clinical Trials Registration in ClinicalTrials.gov \(Public Law 110-85\): Competing Applications and Non-Competing Progress Reports \(NOT-OD-08-023\)](#)
[Expansion of Scientific Scope of PAR-08-025, Quick-Trials for Novel Cancer Therapies and Prevention: Exploratory Grants \(R21\), to Include Symptom Management \(NOT-CA-08-005\)](#)
[Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Award \(U54\) \(RFA-RM-08-002\)](#)

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FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (United States of America)

[2008 Tentative Blood Products Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule](#)
[Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff: Interactive Review for Medical Device Submissions: 510\(k\)s, Original PMAs, PMA Supplements, Original BLAs, and BLA Supplements](#)
[Market Withdrawal: Octagam](#)
[Medical Device Notification: Sunquest Laboratory Blood Bank Module](#)
[Electronic Medical Device Reporting \(eMDR\)](#)
[Certification of Compliance, under 42 U.S.C., 282\(j\)\(5\)\(B\), with Requirements of ClinicalTrials.gov Data Bank \(42 U.S.C., 282\(j\)\) - Form](#)
[User Fee Billable Products Approved Under Section 351 of the PHS Act - Update](#)

BIOLOGICS AND GENETIC THERAPIES DIRECTORATE (Canada)

[Stakeholder Consultation on the Proposed Regulatory Framework for Blood and Blood Components](#)

MEDICINES AND HEALTHCARE PRODUCTS REGULATORY AGENCY (United Kingdom)

[MedicalDeviceAlert : MDA/2007/099 - Blood/Solution Warming Units.](#)

All Smiths Medical Level 1(R) H-1200 fast flow fluid warmers with an integrated H-31B air detector/clamp and H-1025 fast flow fluid warmers with the optional H-31B air detector/clamp.

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ASFA

Register Today!

The ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting will be held in Galveston, from April 9 - 12, 2008 at the Galveston Island Convention Center at the San Luis Resort.

Registration is now open - be sure to register before February 27, 2008 to take advantage of the early registration fees.

The ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting Preliminary Program is also available to view and download from the Society's website, www.apheresis.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Galveston!

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FEATURED EVENT

[Renal Physicians Association 2008 Annual Meeting](#)

Event Date: March 15 -17, 2008

Event Location: Austin, Texas

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CAREER FAIR

Apheresis Career Fair at the ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting

Are you interested in recruiting for an apheresis-related position for your company or institution?

The inaugural Apheresis News and ASFA Career Fair is the perfect opportunity to highlight your organization, profile open positions, and recruit highly qualified apheresis professionals from a captive audience of over 700 delegates at the ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting and to over 4,000 recipients of Apheresis News.

Enhanced Career Posting Package (\$500)

Job postings will receive the following profile:

- An exclusive webpage on the Apheresis News website, and posting on ASFA's career webpage
- Distribution via email to all ASFA members, ASFA annual meeting delegates, and Apheresis News subscribers
- Inclusion in ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting delegate bags in a special print issue of the ASFA Newsflash

Career Fair Sponsor (\$1000)

Career Fair Sponsors receive the following benefits:

- Enhanced Career Posting Package
- 1 table top exhibit space in the Exhibit Hall at the ASFA 2008 Annual Meeting exclusively for recruitment purposes
- Opportunity to meet with potential candidates in a semi-private room setting

To take advantage of this offer, complete the [Apheresis Career Fair Application Form](#) and send, along with payment information, via email to asfa@apheresis.org or via fax to 604.874.4378.

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