



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**DATE:** August 9, 2004

**CONTACT:** Adam Clymer at 202-879-6757 or 202 549-7161 (cell)

**VISIT:** [www.naes04.org](http://www.naes04.org)

**Public Favors Stem Cell Research,  
Annenberg Polling Data Show**

The public strongly favors federal funding of stem-cell research, the University of Pennsylvania’s National Annenberg Election Survey finds.

From July 30 through August 5, 1,345 adults were asked “Do you favor or oppose Federal funding of research on diseases like Alzheimers using stem cells taken from human embryos?” Sixty-four percent said they favored such funding, while 28 percent opposed it. The margin of sampling error was plus or minus three percentage points.

Fifty-three percent of Republicans favored the funding, while 38 percent opposed it. Seventy-four percent of Democrats were in favor, and 20 percent were opposed. Sixty-seven percent of independents were in favor, and 26 percent opposed.

Conservatives were divided almost evenly, with 46 percent in favor and 44 percent opposed. Seventy-two percent of moderates favored the funding, while 22 percent opposed it. Among liberals, 81 percent were in favor and 13 percent were opposed.

**Questions**

A. Do you favor or oppose Federal funding of research on diseases like Alzheimers using stem cells taken from human embryos?

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents	Conservatives	Moderates	Liberals	All
<b>Favor</b>	53%	74%	67%	46%	72%	81%	64
<b>Oppose</b>	38%	20%	26%	44%	22%	13%	28

-More-

**B.** Do you favor or oppose federal funding of research on diseases like Alzheimers using stem cells taken from human embryos?

	Suburban Married Women	All Married Women	All Men	All Women
<b>Favor</b>	58	58	67	60
<b>Oppose</b>	32	32	25	31

If you would like to be removed from this press release list, please call or email Jennifer Wilhelm at [jwilhelm@asc.upenn.edu](mailto:jwilhelm@asc.upenn.edu) or (202) 879-6747.

###