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Partnership for Clean Competition Announces July 1 Deadline for Grant Funding Pre-Applications

*After Successful Year of Research, First PCC Grant Recipient Also Receives
Continuation of Funding*

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – The Partnership for Clean Competition (PCC) – which aims to ensure integrity in sport by supporting high-quality, high-impact, novel research – is now accepting pre-applications for its second round of 2010 grant funding from researchers interested in applying for anti-doping research funding.

The PCC is an innovative research collaborative founded by the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), Major League Baseball (MLB) and the National Football League (NFL), whose focus is to make targeted grants in support of non-partisan and independent scientific research.

The PCC grant program considers research that has a high likelihood of resulting in methods or products that will advance the anti-doping field and ensure integrity in sport. The PCC is focused on better understanding how banned substances are used in every level of sport and the associated long-term consequences for athletes.

The open grant pre-application is available online, with a deadline of July 1, 2010. Selected researchers whose proposals align with the PCC's objectives will then be asked to submit full project applications by August 1, 2010. The PCC conducts three grant application rounds annually.

"The PCC has now been granting funding for over one year and has seen considerable progress with the projects underway," said USOC Chief Operating Officer, and Chairman of the PCC Board of Governors **Norman Bellingham**. "We anticipate another round of high quality applications that will address the need to improve detection methods for performance enhancing drugs in sport and ensure the benefits of sport for our youth."

Applications will be reviewed by the PCC's Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), which consists of internationally-recognized experts and is chaired by USADA Chief Science Officer **Larry Bowers**, Ph.D. The Board of Governors, comprised of representatives from the USOC, USADA, MLB and NFL, considers the SAB recommendations and makes final determination on grant winners.

Dr. Brenna of Cornell University Receives Grant Continuation

One year after the PCC's first grant was awarded, the PCC announced today the continuation of funding to **J. Thomas Brenna**, Ph.D., of Cornell University for his grant proposal titled, "Characterization of the Human Urinary Steroidome for Anti-Doping

Applications.” The SAB has determined that the developments and promise of Brenna’s research merit additional investment to facilitate transference of his research to the anti-doping field.

“We are delighted that the PCC has extended research support for a second year,” said Dr. J. Thomas Brenna of Cornell University. “This additional period will enable us to apply the chemical analysis developments of the first year to characterize human urinary steroids for anti-doping efforts.”

To apply for PCC funding, please visit the PCC website at www.cleancompetition.org.

Also participating and contributing financially to the PCC are the National Basketball Association (NBA), National Hockey League (NHL) and the PGA TOUR.

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