Talking with Giants Introduction

As Senior Editor and in conjunction with ISCT, International Society for Cell & Gene Therapy, it is my privilege to introduce a new inspirational series appearing in Cytotherapy termed “Talking with Giants”. This new series celebrates the invaluable contributions made by leaders in the field of cell and gene therapy through an informal question and answer format. This provides a unique opportunity for journal subscribers and society members to connect with these icons and learn more about their passion for science, what has motivated them to achieve success, and their unique vision for the future direction of the field. The inaugural article will feature a conversation with Dr. Darwin J. Prockop whose dedication to the study of mesenchymal stem cells has brought these cells to the forefront of regenerative medicine. Dr. Prockop received the inaugural “ISCT Career Achievement Award in Cellular Therapy” in 2016 for his outstanding contributions to the field.

The “Talking with Giants” is a monthly series that will feature a number of other iconic figures in the cell and gene therapy field, providing a rare look into why these busy innovators are so passionate about the field they have chosen to dedicate their lives to.

I trust you will enjoy engaging with “Giants” in the cell and gene therapy field through this new series.

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