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Molecular Therapy Appoints Dr. Malcolm K. Brenner Editor-in-Chief

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The American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy and Nature Publishing Group are pleased to announce the appointment of Malcolm K. Brenner, M.D., Ph.D. as Editor-in-Chief of *Molecular Therapy*.

Dr. Brenner, Director of the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy at Baylor College of Medicine, studies immunotherapy and gene therapy as applied to cancer research. He conducted one of the first human gene therapy studies at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis that transduced bone marrow stem cells with a retroviral vector. He brings this history of research experience to *Molecular Therapy*, together with past experience as President of the International Society for Cellular Therapy and President of the American Society of Gene Therapy in 2002 - 2003.

With a newly appointed board of deputy editors, the journal is well-placed to maintain its standing as a valued resource for scientists dedicated to the understanding, development and application of gene and related cell and nucleic acid therapies.

Launched in 2000, *Molecular Therapy* is the official journal of the American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy. The journal is committed to publishing high quality, independently peer-reviewed research and cutting-edge reviews and commentaries material that promote the sciences in genetics, medicine and biotechnology. With a 2008 impact factor of 5.970*, *Molecular Therapy* ranks 6/83 in the Medicine, Research & Experimental category of the 2008 *Journal Citation Report*, and in the top 5% of all science journals by Impact Factor.

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