



**SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE STATEMENT ON
HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH**

Susan G. Komen for the Cure® has never funded human embryonic stem cell research (H-ESCR) nor does Komen currently fund H-ESCR. Komen supports research on the isolation, derivation, production, and testing of stem cells that are capable of producing all or almost all of the cell types of the developing body and may result in improved understanding of or treatments for breast cancer, but are derived without creating a human embryo or destroying a human embryo.

- Our research program, totaling \$685 million since 1982, currently funds more than 500 active grants totaling \$300 million at institutions around the world, including some of the most highly regarded medical research institutions in the country, such as Georgetown University, Washington University in St. Louis, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Johns Hopkins, Duke University, Harvard, Yale and Stanford.
- A priority in our research funding is to quickly find and deliver effective treatments, especially for the most lethal forms of breast cancer, while seeking effective preventive strategies, enhanced screening methodologies, and solutions to disparities in breast cancer outcomes for diverse women. You can find a complete list of 2011 research grants [here](#) or in the Research and Grants section of our website, www.komen.org.

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