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## **The Hamner Institutes For Health Sciences Receives \$1.6 Million NIH Grant**

Biomedical Sciences Organization Awarded Funding For Diabetes Research

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – Dr. William F. Greenlee, president and CEO of The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences, an independent, nonprofit organization that offers an open, collaborative and cross-disciplinary approach to strengthen the research investment in biomedical sciences, has announced that Dr. Wenhong Cao, assistant investigator in the Division of Translational Biology at the Hamner, has been awarded \$1.6 million to perform diabetes research over a span of five years. The grant is from the National Institutes of Health and will allow Dr. Cao to study new biochemical pathways of how the body maintains sugar balance and its relationship to weight regulation. This research is part of the Hamner's expanding program in diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

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### **Quotes:**

"This grant is a tremendous opportunity to strengthen our research in metabolic and cardiovascular disease," said Greenlee. "Diabetes is a major public health issue, and we are excited to see the impact Dr. Cao's work will have on fighting this disease."

### **About The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences:**

Located on a 56-acre campus in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences is an independent, nonprofit organization that unites academia, the private sector and government to conduct translational research to improve public health and expedite the development of new medicines. With the ultimate goal of preventing and curing disease, The Hamner offers an open, collaborative and cross-disciplinary approach to strengthen the research investment in biomedical sciences. CIIT, the flagship institute for The Hamner, has been recognized for more than 30 years as a leader in research in environmental risk assessment and health sciences. For more information, please visit [www.thehamner.org](http://www.thehamner.org) or call (919) 558-1200.

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