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Dr. Charles Hamner Named To 2008 Most Influential Persons List
Chairman Of The Hamner Institutes For Health Sciences
Recognized By TechJournal South

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences (www.thehamner.org), an independent, nonprofit organization that offers an open, collaborative and cross-disciplinary approach to translational biomedical research, has announced that Dr. Charles Hamner, chairman of the board of directors at The Hamner, has been named to the 2008 list of the 25 Most Influential People in the Southeast Technology Community by *TechJournal South*. Dr. Hamner, along with 24 other esteemed individuals, was recognized in the publication's November issue.

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Quotes:

"We are proud that Charles has been selected among these esteemed individuals for *TechJournal South's* Most Influential Persons List," said Dr. Greenlee, president and CEO of The Hamner. "His continued efforts to advance the bioscience industry in the Southeast led to this honor being bestowed upon him."

About Dr. Charles Hamner:

Charles E. Hamner, D.V.M., Ph.D. is chairman of the board of directors at The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences, located in Research Triangle Park (RTP), North Carolina. Dr. Hamner is well-known for his pivotal role in propelling North Carolina and the RTP to preeminence within the biosciences industry. He is a biotechnology pioneer whose accomplishments have brought a major new industry to the state. After leading the North Carolina Biotechnology Center for 14 years, Dr. Hamner retired on March 31, 2002. Throughout his research career, Dr. Hamner has authored more than 50 scientific publications, co-authored chapters in 12 books on reproductive physiology and biochemistry, and edited two editions of *Drug Development*. Dr. Hamner maintains membership in the following professional societies: American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Veterinary Medical Association, Biotechnology Industry Organization, Drug Information Association, FASEB, American Physiological Society and Society for the Study of Fertility.

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 for improved human health assessments. 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. The Hamner conducts translational research for improved human health through the development of new and safer medicines. 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 <http://www.thehamner.org> or call (919) 558-1200.

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