

# PARTNERSHIP FOR **clean competition**

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## **Partnership for Clean Competition Appoints Scientific Advisory Board Members**

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.** – The Partnership for Clean Competition (PCC) today announced the appointment of its first eight Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) members. The SAB consists of internationally recognized experts who will review anti-doping research grant requests, make funding recommendations to the Board of Governors and provide oversight regarding the results of research projects. **Larry Bowers, Ph.D.**, Chief Science Officer for the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), was selected to serve as the SAB chairman.

The PCC is an innovative research collaborative between the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), USADA, Major League Baseball (MLB) and the National Football League (NFL), which aims to prevent the use of prohibited substances and methods in sport by funding cutting-edge anti-doping research.

“Selecting the Scientific Advisory Board is a significant milestone in the PCC’s development,” said **Travis T. Tygart**, PCC board member and CEO of USADA. “The depth of expertise and range of experience of the SAB is a testament to the importance the PCC supporters place on research in fighting doping in sport. And it is this expert group of scientists who will play a key role in providing direction on how grant dollars should be distributed, ultimately determining the organization’s research course.”

Joining Bowers on the SAB are the following scientists:

- **Gerhard Baumann, M.D.**, Professor of Medicine Emeritus at Northwestern University. He is an internationally recognized endocrinologist and expert in growth hormone biology.
- **Bryan S. Finkle, Ph.D.**, Consulting Forensic Toxicologist to the NFL's programs on Anabolic Steroids and Related Substances, Substances of Abuse, and Treatment. He also consults on medico-legal toxicology issues and with medical biotechnology companies on new drug development.
- **Gary Green, M.D.**, Clinical professor in the UCLA School of Medicine in the Division of Sports Medicine. He serves as Major League Baseball’s consultant on anabolic steroids.
- **Alvin M. Matsumoto, M.D.**, Professor in the Department of Medicine, Division of Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine at the University of Washington.
- **Michael N. Sawka, Ph.D.**, Chief of the Thermal and Mountain Medicine Division for the U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine.
- **Lawrence Silverman, Ph.D.**, Professor of Pathology and Public Health Genomics at the University of Virginia.

- **John Yates III, M.D., Ph.D.**, Professor of Chemical Physiology at The Scripps Research Institute.

Among the research priorities of interest to the PCC are developing analytical methods to detect performance-enhancing drugs not currently detectable, and discovering cost-effective approaches to test for widely-abused substances. The PCC is focused on better understanding how banned substances are used in every level of sport and the associated long-term consequences for athletes.

The PCC will seek additional SAB members and ad hoc reviewers to evaluate grant proposals as further areas of required expertise are identified. To apply to serve on the PCC Scientific Advisory Board or as an ad hoc reviewer, please visit the PCC website at [www.cleancompetition.org](http://www.cleancompetition.org).

Also participating and contributing financially to the PCC are the National Basketball Association (NBA), National Hockey League (NHL) and the PGA Tour.

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