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Giordano Recognized by Ola Grimsby Institute for Research on Brain, Mind and Pain

Alexandria, VA—August 22, 2007—Dr. James Giordano, Vice President of Brain, Mind and Healing Research at the Samueli Institute, just received the Hallvard Award from the Ola Grimsby Institute Annual Competency Forum. Each year, the Ola Grimsby Institute Annual Competency Forum presents an award known as the Hallvard to a person (or persons) who has (have) made a major contribution to the profession of manual therapy and/or to the Ola Grimsby Institute.

The award is named after Hallvard Haastein, a Norwegian teacher, philosopher, counselor, and specialist in pedagogy who inspired OGI in the art of teaching. Haastein received the first award in 1993. This year, the OGI awarded the Hallvard to two recipients: Ben Grotenhuis, an esteemed OGI instructor, and Dr. Giordano. Dr. Giordano was recognized for his research on the human mind and brain, and his findings regarding pain which are invaluable to today's physical and manual therapist.

The Ola Grimsby Institute is a professional consortium of physical therapists and physicians, providing continuing education, certification programs and doctoral degrees to physical and manual therapists and practitioners in the United States, Europe and Asia.

About the Samueli Institute

The Samueli Institute is a non-profit, medical research organization supporting the scientific investigation of healing processes and their application in health and disease. The Institute's mission is to explore the scientific foundations of healing and to apply that understanding in medicine and health care to create optimal healing environments (OHE). The Institute is one of an elite group of organizations in the nation with a track record in both complementary and integrative medicine (CIM), healing relationships and military research. Learn more about the Institute at www.SamueliInstitute.org.

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