

## **CVPath Institute Forms Independent Research Organization**

**Gaithersburg, MD (August 1, 2006)** – CVPath Institute, Inc., formerly a project under the auspices of the International Registry of Pathology (IRP), has formed its own independent, non-profit research organization. CVPath, led by President Renu Virmani, MD, provides consultative and research services to deepen the understanding of cardiac diseases in order to improve treatments and advance patient care.

Researchers at CVPath investigate tissue samples, design experiments, assess therapies and provide strategic advice, all with the primary goal of helping clinicians, cardiologists and pathologists improve the efficacy of stents and other interventional cardiovascular devices. CVPath also collaborates with other investigators working in the areas of atherosclerosis, sudden cardiac death, myocardial ischemia, valvular heart disease and interventional treatments.

### **Renu Virmani, MD, President**

Dr. Virmani has received numerous awards and honors for her work in cardiovascular pathology. She currently is Clinical Professor of Pathology at Georgetown University, University of Maryland, George Washington University, and Vanderbilt University. She previously served as Chairperson for the Department of Cardiovascular Pathology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, where she received the Joint Service Commendation Medal for Outstanding Meritorious Service while she was Chief of Cardiovascular Research.

Additional information about CVPath is available at [www.cvpath.org](http://www.cvpath.org) or by calling 301-208-3570.