



## **Robert Rodriguez—President & Chief Operating Officer**

Robert Rodriguez, President & Chief Operating Officer, is a company founder and has been a member of Cornerstone’s executive team since its inception. In his current position, Mr. Rodriguez is responsible for the general management of the company’s activities including research and development, manufacturing, business development and financial matters. Together with the CEO, he sets the strategic direction of the company.

Mr. Rodriguez has more than 25 years of experience in the strategic, technological and financial development of several life sciences-related entrepreneurial ventures. He has held key management positions at Enzon, Inc., a drug delivery and recombinant engineered antibody company, and Sienna Biotech, Inc., a medical diagnostic systems company that served as the basis for American Standard Inc.’s Medical Products business unit.

Mr. Rodriguez has also held technical positions at Johnson & Johnson, the Lindsey F. Kimball Research institute of the New York Blood Center, and the Department of Pharmacological Sciences at the State University of New York at Stony Brook and the Hospital of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

As a strategic planning and business development consultant, Mr. Rodriguez has worked with myriad companies, including Principia Pharmaceutical Corporation (acquired by Human Genome Sciences, Inc.) and Peprtech, Inc. He has negotiated and consummated numerous in-licensing and out-licensing agreements with major pharmaceutical companies and smaller biotech companies and universities, as well as multi-national agreements with global pharmaceutical companies in the oncology field.

Mr. Rodriguez received his M.B.A in Technological Entrepreneurship from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a B. S. in Biochemistry from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and is a Certified Medical Laboratory Technician.