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**Dear Pr Votarelli,**

Following our discussions, I hereby confirm how enthusiastic we are at St Louis Hospital, Paris 7 University and INSERM U 796 to collaborate with your group especially on the protocol that you lead on Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant for type 1 diabetes. We have already received a grant of 50.000 Euros from Lilly to start treating patients and enrolment in Paris at ST Louis Hospital and we could start randomizing patients in ASTID as soon as the protocol is approved by the French Authorities .

In addition we will also be glad to collaborate on the other program that we could share both in France and at the European level through the EBMT concerning the treatment of other types of Autoimmune Diseases, such as Scleroderma, Lupus and Multiple Sclerosis. As current elected Chair of the EBMT Autoimmune Disease Working Party (ebmt.org) and with the other EBMT members, we have also acknowledged the importance of this collaboration between your group and other leading centers in the field of HSCT for autoimmune diseases and will continue to collaborate. Thus, in principle I agree to collaborate in the project to establish a Center for Cell-based therapy at the Blood Center of the University of São Paulo in Ribeirão Preto, under the program CEPID- FAPESP. The exact definition of each step of this collaboration will be specified as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

