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Dr. Marco Antonio Zago Professor Titular Faculdade de Medicina de Ribeirão Preto Universidade de São Paulo

Dear Professor Zago,

This is to confirm that I have accepted the invitation to be a collaborator at the CEPID Project from the Center for Cell-based Therapy (CTC).

We have studied segregation of pathogenic mitochondrial DNA mutations in tissue culture and in the human germline, carrying out the first oocyte-based studies in humans. Studies of gametes and early embryos are essential for genetic management of these families. Hence the results of the current proposal will be of great interest to us.

I look forward to hearing that the current proposal has been funded.

Yours sincerely

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