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Dear Mr. Desserich,

I am delighted to accept the grant for \$85,394 from the DIPG Collaborative in support of our study "Development of peptide vaccine for diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma". I am very grateful for this support, which will allow us to investigate this potential novel therapy for DIPG.

I confirm that the study will begin within 6 months of the award date. Both animal protocols that will be used for this project are approved by IACUC (A214-13-08 approval date 8/22/13 and Animal Protocol #: A296-12-11 Approval Date: 12/19/12). I will gladly provide a progress report to the Board of Directors or Medical Advisory Council when requested (my contact information is provided below). Additional information about this project will soon be added to http://pediatrics.duke.edu/labs/becher-lab.

I also confirm that results and progress of the funded study will be used in a collaborative manner with other institutions that can further the progress of DIPG research, inclusive of involvement by other participating institutions in the DIPG Collaborative.

I confirm that in all future publications published data, presentations, web pages, blogs, or other references to the grant and supporters, the following parties are named as sponsors of this research project: "The Cure Starts Now Foundation, Hope for Caroline Foundation, Reflections of Grace Foundation, Soar with Grace Foundation, Abbie's Army Charity Trust, Julian Boivin Courage for Cures Foundation, Smiles for Sophie Forever, Caroline's Miracle Foundation, Love, Chloe Foundation, Benny's World Foundation, Pray Hope Believe Foundation, Jeffrey Thomas Hayden Foundation and the DIPG Collaborative."

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

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