



18th December 2015

The DIPG Collaborative  
Attn. Keith Desserich  
10280 Chester Road  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45215

Dear Mr Desserich,

I was very pleased to hear that our grant proposal 'Towards T-cell based immunotherapy for DIPG' has been awarded \$200,000 by the DIPG Collaborative.

Both our group and our collaborators led by Dr Cynthia Hawkins at SickKids Toronto are delighted we can now start working on this exciting project.

With very many thanks to all the fundraisers involved. We are honoured you allow us to use your resources to do this important work.

With kind regards,

Karin

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Karin Straathof', is placed below the typed name.

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13<sup>th</sup> January 2016

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Dear Mr Desserich,

This follows on from my initial letter on 18<sup>th</sup> December. We are grateful and excited that our grant proposal 'Towards T-cell based immunotherapy for DIPG' has been awarded \$200,000 by the DIPG Collaborative.

I can confirm that the required IRB approval is in place and that the project will start on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016. The results and progress of this 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 will be the lead researcher on this project and my contact details are listed below. I can be contacted by the DIPG Collaborative Board of Directors or Medical Advisory Council regarding the 6-month progress reports we will provide and to arrange a visit to our laboratory.

Information regarding this project can be found on the website of our research group:  
<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/ich/research/developmental-biology-cancer/cancer/karin-straathof-research-group>

I can confirm that in all future publications, published data, presentations, web pages, blogs or other references to the grant and supporters, The Cure Starts Now Foundation, Hope for Caroline Foundation, Julian Boivin Courage for Cures Foundation, Abbie's Army, Michael Mosier Defeat DIPG Foundation, Reflections of Grace Foundation, The Cure Starts Now Australia, Brooke Healey Foundation, Soar With Grace Foundation, Jeffrey Thomas Hayden Foundation, Cure Brain Cancer Foundation, The Jones Family Foundation, Musella Foundation, Pray, Hope Believe Foundation, Smiles for Sophie Foundation, Benny's World, Love Chloe Foundation, Aiden's Avengers, A Cure from Caleb Society, The Operation Grace White Foundation, Ryan's Hope, Wayland Villars DIPG Foundation, American Childhood Cancer Organization, Juliana Rose Donnelly Trust, Sheila Jones & Friends, The Ellie Kavalieros DIPG Research Fund, Voices Against Brain Cancer, The DIPG Collaborative are named as sponsors of the project.

With very many thanks to all the fundraisers involved. We are honoured you allow us to use your resources to do this important work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Karin Straathof', written over a horizontal line.

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