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Cc: Shi, Pei yong[peshi@UTMB.EDU]; Lowenthal, Micah[mloventh@nas.edu]
From: Rusek, Benjamin[BRusek@nas.edu]
Sent: Fri 6/21/2019 12:17:01 PM (UTC-05:00)
Subject: RE: Kungmin update

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Here he is: <https://biography.omicsonline.org/china/chinese-academy-of-medical-sciences-peking-union-medical-college/yunzhang--hu-1972427>

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From: Rusek, Benjamin
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 1:13 PM
To: 'LeDuc, James W.' <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>; David Franz <davidrfranz@gmail.com>
Cc: Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>; Lowenthal, Micah <mloventh@nas.edu>
Subject: RE: Kungmin update

Is this him?
http://sourcedb.kiz.cas.cn/yw/zirc/sc/200908/t20090813_2394219.html

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From: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 10:12 PM
To: David Franz <davidrfranz@gmail.com>
Cc: Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>; Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>; Lowenthal, Micah <mloventh@nas.edu>
Subject: Re: Kungmin update

Thanks Pei Yong. Good to know that Zhiming is still willing to work with us.

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On Jun 20, 2019, at 6:31 PM, David Franz <davidrfranz@gmail.com> wrote:

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Sounds good Pei-Yong. Thanks! Dave

Sent from my iPhone
On Jun 20, 2019, at 6:41 PM, Shi, Pei yong <peshi@utmb.edu> wrote:

Hi Ben, Dave, and Jim,

I talked with Longding and Zhiming. Here is the summary.

Longding was reluctant to go back to Kunming's leadership team for another trial. This is because their new Party Secretary (who makes the decision) is newly appointed from Beijing. So, I was not able to get the name from Longding whom the NAS letter should address to. We will discuss this further at our TC tomorrow.

Zhiming was very supportive to host the next meeting under CAS. The location could be Wuhan or any other cities in China. If we decide to work with Zhiming for the next meeting, NAS needs to send a letter

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to President of CAS (Dr. Chunli Bai), as we did for the Wuhan meeting in 2016.

I have not talked with George Gao yet and am planning to do so after our TC tomorrow.

Best, Pei-Yong

From: Rusek, Benjamin [<mailto:BRusek@nas.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 4:38 PM
To: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>; 'David Franz' <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>; Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>
Cc: Lowenthal, Micah <mloewenth@nas.edu>
Subject: RE: Kungmin update
Importance: High

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Greetings,

I have attached a draft letter for Diane and Peggy for your review, Pei-yong, we will need to know who to send it to...

Re the call tomorrow, please call 1-888-537-7715 and enter participant code 12223052# at 1:00 PM ET.

Kind regards,

Ben

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From: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>; 'David Franz' <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>; Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>
Subject: RE: Kungmin update

OK—added to my calendar. Please share call in information when available.

Thanks, Jim

From: Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 12:52 PM
To: 'David Franz' <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>; Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>
Cc: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>
Subject: RE: Kungmin update

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Pei-yong and I spoke on the phone, he is on vacation until Thursday. Lets plan to talk on Friday. How about 1 PM ET?

In the interim, I will write a draft letter and contact Peggy and Diane.

And yes I will leave the funding support offer out of the letter.

Ben

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From: David Franz <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 1:49 PM
To: Shi, Pei yong <pes hi@utmb.edu>
Cc: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@utmb.edu>; Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>
Subject: Re: Kungmin update

If I don't make it on the call, the only thing I'm not comfortable with is offering them funding support. Whatever you guys decide is fine. I like Pei-Yong talking to Zhiming or George. Home tomorrow afternoon, dave

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 18, 2019, at 4:18 PM, Shi, Pei yong <pes hi@utmb.edu> wrote:

Hi all,

Longding's institution is very conservative. This has limited their growth. I'll be back to office on Thursday. We could have a TC on Thursday or Friday.

One suggestion is to talk to Zhiming and George for options. We could decide after our TC.

Best, Pei-Yong

From: LeDuc, James W.
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 9:11 AM
To: Shi, Pei yong; Rusek, Benjamin
Cc: Dave Franz
Subject: RE: Kungmin update

Thanks for the update Pei-Yong. This is very sad and frustrating, but certainly understandable from their perspective. We should probably have a brief teleconference to discuss options. I'm available all day.

Thanks, Jim

From: Shi, Pei yong <pes hi@UTMB.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 7:04 AM
To: Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>
Cc: Dave Franz <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>; LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>
Subject: Kungmin update

Hi Ben, Dave, and Jim,

I just received a negative response from Longding that, due to the current China-US relationship, their institute has decided not to host our next meeting. I personally understand why they are changing their position. Let's talk about it through a TC or email.

Sorry about the negative development. Since Longding wrote to me in Chinese through WeChat. I am not forwarding it to you. However, I have asked him to email us about it in English.

Best regards,
Pei-Yong

On Jun 17, 2019 5:27 PM, "Rusek, Benjamin" <BRusek@nas.edu> wrote:

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Hi Jim,

Here are my two cents. You might want to send the next draft to Katie Bowman
(Bowman, Katherine KBowman@nas.edu)

Kind regards,

Ben

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From: LeDuc, James W. <jwleduc@UTMB.EDU>

Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 6:10 PM

To: Dave Franz <davidrf Franz@gmail.com>

Cc: Rusek, Benjamin <BRusek@nas.edu>; Shi, Pei yong <peshi@UTMB.EDU>

Subject: Re: Draft editorial

Thanks very much Dave. Received just fine and I will make the adjustments.

Jim

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On Jun 17, 2019, at 2:48 PM, Dave Franz <davidrf Franz@gmail.com> wrote:

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Trying t send from Chromebook, with which I'm still a little unsure.

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Let me know if a marked up version comes through. d

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