

## Fwd: R01AI098728

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From: Fang Li <lifang@umn.edu>  
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From: **Stemmy, Erik (NIH/NIAID) [E]** <[erik.stemmy@nih.gov](mailto:erik.stemmy@nih.gov)>  
Date: Mon, Apr 3, 2017 at 9:17 AM  
Subject: RE: R01AI098728  
To: Fang Li <[lifang@umn.edu](mailto:lifang@umn.edu)>

Hi Fang,

Nothing to report yet on this. Our internal committee hasn't met yet. It's a little bit of a gray area at the moment since the GoF research funding pause is still technically in effect while the department implements the P3CO policy that will replace it. I'll let you know if we have any questions for you.

Erik

**From:** Fang Li [mailto:[lifang@umn.edu](mailto:lifang@umn.edu)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 30, 2017 2:26 PM  
**To:** Stemmy, Erik (NIH/NIAID) [E] <[erik.stemmy@nih.gov](mailto:erik.stemmy@nih.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: R01AI098728

Dear Erik,

Do you have any update on Ralph's request to carry out the proposed SARS-like research?

Thanks,

Fang

On Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 8:24 PM, Fang Li <[lifang@umn.edu](mailto:lifang@umn.edu)> wrote:

Hi Erik,

Ralph and I haven't done any study that may lead to increased pathogenesis or transmissibility of SARS-like or MERS-like coronaviruses. However, Ralph is considering making a synthetic construct of a chimeric bat SARS-like coronavirus. His request letter is being attached here.

Best,

Fang