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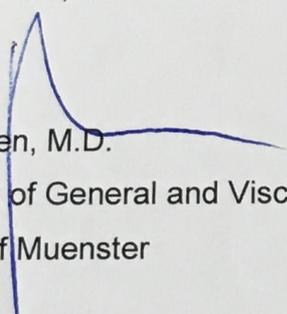
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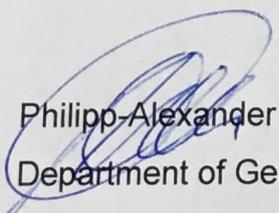
Dear Lian-Sheng Ma,

Herewith all authors declare that they have no financial interests relevant to this publication.

Should you have further questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time.

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