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Subject: **Horizon 2020 Framework Programme**
Call for proposals: **H2020-SC1-BHC-2018-2020 (H2020-SC1-2018-Single-Stage-RTD)**
Proposal: **825510 — ESCALON**
Evaluation result letter — GAP invitation letter

Dear Madam Sir,

I am writing in connection with your proposal for the above-mentioned call.

Having completed the evaluation, we are pleased to inform you that your proposal has passed this phase and that the Commission would now like to start grant preparation.

Please find enclosed the evaluation summary report (ESR), based on the comments and opinion of the experts that evaluated the proposal for the Commission.

Invitation to grant preparation

Grant preparation will be based on the following:

1. **Proposal:** 825510 — ESCALON
2. **Topic:** SC1-BHC-18-2018 — Translational collaborative cancer research between Europe and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)
3. **Type of action:** Research and Innovation action
4. **Project officer:** Ioannis VOULDIS

Non-communicable diseases and the challenge of healthy ageing

⚠ Please always use the Participant Portal messaging function (via your [Participant Portal account](#)). Do NOT contact the project officer via other means (e-mail, letter, etc) — unless explicitly asked to do so.

5. Maximum grant amount:

Requested EU contribution (according to proposal):

Maximum grant amount (proposed amount, after ev

6. Duration of the action: 48 months

7. Action & budget:

The description of the action (DoA) (Annex 1 to the grant agreement) and the estimated budget for the action (Annex 2 to the grant agreement) must be based on the proposal submitted.

⚠ Please be aware that you may have to change your 'description of the action', in order to address ethics and security issues.

⚠ Please note that you may normally NOT make changes to the project/project budget/ consortium composition (including linked third parties). Please immediately inform the project officer (see above), if you need to make a change (e.g. because one of the consortium members went bankrupt and can no longer participate).

8. Timetable & deadlines for grant preparation

9. Fully electronic grant preparation via the Participant Portal

Please use your [Participant Portal account](#) to prepare your grant (including signature of the agreement). Do NOT contact the Commission via other means (e-mail, letter, etc) — unless explicitly asked to do so.

Please be aware that all linked third parties (that are part of your proposal) must be registered and validated as legal entities in the Participant Portal [Beneficiary Register](#).

⚠ Register them immediately, if not already done.

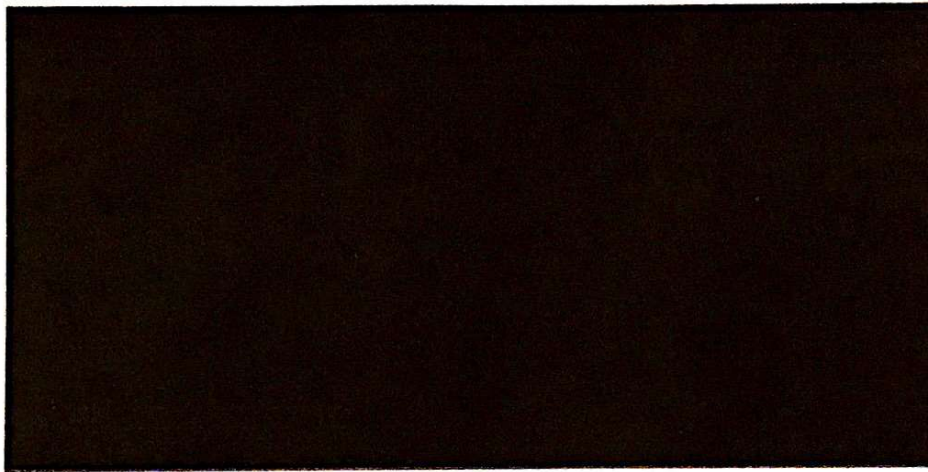
Please note that some of your legal and financial data in the Beneficiary Register is 'read-only' and can be updated only by your LEAR (via your Participant Portal account on the My Organisation(s) page). During grant preparation, you will therefore be asked to appoint a LEAR.

Please note that the data (from your proposal, the Beneficiary Register or grant preparation) may be used by the Commission for monitoring and statistical purposes.

10. Other information

In addition, please note that you are very welcome to attend the Horizon 2020 Coordinators' Day, organized on 21st September 2018 in Brussels. The event will provide all details on the preparation and signature of your grant agreement. Agenda and registration are available under the following link: <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/events/cf-coordinators-day-on-grant-agreement-preparation-21092018/register.cfm>. We also encourage you to contact your Project Officer and Legal Officer and to schedule an individual meeting with them in order to discuss your project specifically. Preferable date for individual meetings is Thursday, 20th September (the day before Coordinators' Day), however if not possible due to your travel schedule, you can also discuss other options with the EC Officers.

① For more information on grant preparation, see the [Online Manual](#) on the Participant Portal.



Yours faithfully,

Irene NORSTEDT
Acting Director

Enclosure: Evaluation summary report (ESR)

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

Following are the terms and conditions applying to grants made by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (referred to as "the Foundation," "we," or "us"). As a grantee (referred to as "grantee" or "you"), you should read this carefully; your signature on this form constitutes your acceptance of all the terms and conditions. As used in this form, the term "grant" includes any income you derive from the grant.

Awardee: Regents of the University of Minnesota
I.D.: [REDACTED]
Amount: [REDACTED]
Purpose: Hepatocyte gene expression during hepatitis C infection and treatment -- Jose D. Debes, MD, MS
Project Information: Grant Period: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021
Project Director: Jose D. Debes, MD, MS, 612-624-9996
(debes003@umn.edu)

1. PURPOSE AND ADMINISTRATION. You will directly administer the project or program being supported by the grant and agree that no grant funds shall be used in any way other than as specifically set forth in this Letter of Agreement and the final proposal, budget and related documents, all as approved by the Foundation (the "Approved Grant Documents") without the Foundation's prior written consent. You further agree that no grant funds shall be disbursed to any organization or entity, whether or not formed by you, except as specifically set forth in the Approved Grant Documents.

Infection with hepatitis C virus (HCV) leads to cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma. The molecular pathways leading to both complications are largely unknown. Liver aspiration will be performed in patients with HCV before and after antiviral treatment to assess changes in human gene expression. These studies will elucidate how HCV manipulates the expression of human genes to establish and maintain chronic infection, leading to cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma.

No changes may be made to the nature or scope of the program or project being supported by this grant without the express written consent of the Foundation.

2. USE OF GRANT FUNDS.

A. No part of the grant shall be used to carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation within the meaning of Section 4945(d)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

B. No part of the grant shall be used to attempt to influence the outcome of any specific public election or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive within the meaning of Section 4945(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.