June 8, 2018

Re: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted],

I was excited to learn about your plans to renew your [Redacted] at UCSF. The overall objective of the [Redacted] is to stimulate and support transdisciplinary collaborations and promote efficient core access among these and other premier UCSF programs so as to accelerate MSK translational research. These goals will synergize very well with the activities of the Resource Allocation Program (RAP), a campus-wide program housed in the Office of the Executive Vice-Chancellor and managed by the Research Development Office.

As you know well know, RAP was designed to make intramural funding at UCSF as easy and accessible as possible through the creation of a common application process and a common deadline for a wide range of intramural grant mechanisms. You are well aware of what RAP provides: a central, campus-wide, go-to source at a uniform deadline where UCSF researchers know to look for their applications. In addition, we are very proud in having a uniform application format such that persons submitting a grant to one funding source may, with their permission, have RAP move it to another more appropriate source. This helps everyone obtain the research applications in their pilot programs they want such that they may build stronger, exciting and integrated research communities.

RAP will continue providing assistance in facilitating the submission and review process and ensuring a high quality pool of applicants. I fully support your endeavor to renew [Redacted]. I am happy to confirm that RAP will help your Pilot and Feasibility Grant Program reach out to the UCSF community.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

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