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PROJECT TITLE: Preclinical analysis of MAD28 in inflammatory breast cancer

INSTITUTION: UCSD

Instructions:

Provide a detailed account of the progress that was made during the reporting period towards achievement of the planned advocacy involvement activities described in the research proposal and the advocate-researcher letter of commitment.

The summary must include:

1. The list of planned activities described in the research proposal and the advocate-researcher letter of commitment and previous advocacy involvement reports labeled with the status of "completed", "on-going" or "discontinued"
2. A description of any new advocacy involvement activities that were not covered in the application or previous report
3. After each planned activity, an account of progress made towards each of these activities. Include the reasons for discontinued activities and the rationale for any new activities. The summary of progress must be written from both the scientist and advocate perspective.
4. The signature of the advocate(s) involved with the project, and the investigator

The text should focus on the research support provided by this grant, and not include results obtained from funding by other grants or agencies. Do not exceed 2 pages.

Please note: The investigator should take the lead in writing responses to items 1 and 2. Together, the investigator and advocate should write response to item 3. If opinions are diverging on account of progress made, both investigator and advocate provide separate responses to item 3.

**1. The list of planned activities described in the research proposal:** In the originally submitted proposal we teamed with two advocates: Ginny Mason (Executive Director of the Inflammatory Breast Cancer Research Foundation) and Peggy Devine (Founder of Cancer information and Support Network). We proposed to update on a regular basis the advocates about our research progress and work together toward the creation of webinars that will facilitate result dissemination and raise public awareness to the inflammatory breast cancer. We have updated Ginny and Peggy on our results and we are waiting publication of our manuscript(s) in order to proceed with the results dissemination and the webinars. We also plan to meet at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Conference in early Dec 2017. These activities are still ongoing.

**2. A description of any new advocacy involvement activities that were not covered in the application or previous report:** In addition to the above activities, we have been contacted by Joshlyn Earls, an inflammatory breast cancer survivor and the founder of Fighting Inflammatory Breast Cancer a program of Fighting for the Tatas Breast Cancer Inc., (<http://www.fighting4thetatas.org/home.html>). By joining forces we hope to accelerate the designation of October 3 as Inflammatory Breast Cancer Day thus increasing public awareness for this disease. We hope to be able to partially support Joshlyn's trip to San Antonio this year to attend the Breast Cancer Conference.

**3. After each planned activity, an account of progress made towards each of these activities. Include the reasons for discontinued activities and the rationale for any new activities.** Our activities with the advocacy groups proceed as proposed (see above).

**4. The signature of the advocate(s) involved with the project, and the investigator** See next page for a supporting letter and signatures.