

Subject: Re: [External] Re: TOPMed BMI Paper Comments
Date: Friday, March 24, 2023 at 5:59:20 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Burchard, Esteban G.
To: Justice, Anne E., Burchard, Esteban G.
CC: North, Kari E, Zhang, Alice
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Anne

Thank You for the 2 minute call today.

I just want to confirm that you have my approval to do what you think is best for authorship on your manuscript. My lab and I, spent more than 25 years collecting patient samples and generating the data, which you are now using. However, you are the senior author and you have the final say in authorship. I consent and defer to your decision.

As an FYI, I always follow the international guidelines for authorship (URL below).

International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE)

<https://www.icmje.org/about-icmje/>

Good Luck on your submission.

Esteban

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Great, talk to you then!

Thank you,

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Yes. It will be less than 2 minutes

Call or text me at 415-845-9052

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Hi Esteban,

Unfortunately I am in meetings the whole day today. I could meet with you on Monday at 4:00 PM EST (1:00 PM PST). Would that work for a call?

Thank you,

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Kari

I just got an out of office email from Anne.

Can you call me in lieu of Anne?

Esteban
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From: "Justice, Anne E." <aejustice1@geisinger.edu>
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Hello Dr. Burchard,

Thank you for your feedback on our draft manuscript. I wanted to reach out to you directly given your concerns about authorship inclusion and order and clarify how these were handled. As we will be submitting to journals that focus on genetics, we have prioritized groups of authors by placing the core writing group members in the front and the lead supervisory authors at the end. Additionally, we ordered other junior authors from contributing studies towards the front and PIs of the contributing studies toward the back to give prominence to these contributions. While not directly involved in this work, we recognize that PIs should be placed towards the end as designated supervisors. All other authors are placed in the middle. So as not to weight studies by sample size contribution, each of these author “buckets” were order alphabetically outside of the core analysis and writing groups. As the PI for your study, you were placed in this prominent bucket towards the end.

Regarding your questions about Sam Oh as a co-author, you requested that we add Dr. Oh to the manuscript in November 2021 (see below). With that said, if you would prefer us to remove him at this stage, we can accommodate that request, as we have also not received any response from him and have been unable to contact him on the email provided before. Please let us know how you would like to proceed.

We hope this clarification helps, but please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any additional questions or concerns.

From: Burchard, Esteban <Esteban.Burchard@ucsf.edu>
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Hi Alice

Please add the following co-authors.

- 1) Celeste Eng, BSc
- 2) Sam S. Oh, Ph.D., M.P.H.
- 3) Donglei Hu, Ph.D.
- 4) me

Thank You

Esteban

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