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TOPMed paper for review: CHIP and leukocyte telomere length

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Dear Drs Natarajan and Nakao,

I made some small edits on the Google docs/files for the authorship file and Suppl Table 7 regarding the name/acronym for the Samoan study. We request that the acronym "SAS" not be used in TOPMed manuscripts since in some papers, readers assume it means "South Asian study". We request that the name 'Samoan' be used (similar to the use of the word Amish, for that study). Simple, clear and only three additional characters! Thank you for changing this.

In addition, in discussions with our Samoan collaborators about the broader ethics of engagement with them, we have some new requirements for authorship of manuscripts that use Samoan data.

A. All manuscripts that use and include Samoan data must have both Dr. Take Naseri and Mr. Muagututi'a Sefuiva Reupena as named authors. They are both from Samoa, and their inclusion is now a condition of our collaboration with the Samoa leadership.

B. We ask that members of our group contributing to the analysis and writing of across TOPMed data be considered as a named author.

C. Lastly we want the following group to be named: 'The Samoan Obesity, Lifestyle and Genetic Adaptations Study (OLaGA) Group'. When you list the names in the OLAGA group, they are:

Ranjan Deka, Dept. of Environmental Health, University of Cincinnati; Nicola L. Hawley, Dept. of Chronic Disease Epidemiology, Yale University; Stephen T McGarvey, Dept. of Epidemiology and International Health Institute, and Dept. of Anthropology, Brown University; Ryan L Minster, Dept. of Human Genetics, University of Pittsburgh; Take Naseri, Ministry of Health, Government of Samoa; Muagututi'a Sefuiva Reupena, Lutia I Puava Ae Mapu I Fagalele; Daniel E. Weeks, Depts. of Human Genetics and Biostatistics, University of Pittsburgh.

We look forward to you making these changes and are grateful you are moving forward with this important manuscript. Prof. Daniel Weeks

of the Dept of Human Genetics at the University of Pittsburgh is reviewing the manuscript and will forward any comments on the manuscript.

best regards,

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