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INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE

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To: Dr. Chen Dong
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From: Dr. Susanna Cunningham
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Subject: June 10, 2003 IACUC meeting

At its June 10, 2003 meeting, the IACUC discussed the issue of your publication of "Inducible costimulator is essential for collagen-induced arthritis", J. Clinical Investigation, 111(5):701-706, including studies that were not approved by the IACUC. In addition, the IACUC discussed additional instances of non-compliance with your approved protocol including, 1) failure to adhere to the approved criteria for euthanasia of mice in a collagen-induced arthritis study and 2) euthanasia of mice and use of their tissues for research during a period of protocol suspension.

The IACUC considered these issues and based on continued non-compliance with your approved protocol and non-compliance with the conditions of the protocol suspension (effective April 17, 2003) the IACUC voted for the following actions:

1. You are suspended indefinitely from use of all animals, including experimental animals and maintenance of your mouse colony.
2. Protocol # 3324-01, "Molecular Mechanism of Immune and Autoimmune Responses" is suspended indefinitely, the animal are impounded and the Department of Immunology has been asked to present a plan to the Attending Veterinarian to take over the breeding aspects of the protocol (3324-01) and maintenance or disposition of the colony.

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