

MEMORANDUM

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Steven Peckman
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Office for Protection of Research Subjects
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RE: Response to the OPRS letter of December 10, 2002

Dear Mr. Peckman,

- 1. It was my understanding that Dr. Xiao Ping Chen probably intended to use the analyses of his anonymized blood samples to contribute to a research publication on malariotherapy.
 - a. Dr. X. P. Chen did not have UCLA IRB approval or UCLA certified exemption from UCLA IRB review. He was not aware in April/May 1997 of that requirement.
 - b. Please be assured that I will require UCLA IRB approval or Certification of Exemption for any and all individuals who wish to work with human biological samples or data for research purposes and work in my laboratory or participate in scholarly programs under my supervision, such as the grant from the Fogarty International Center.
- 2. Supplies were given to Dr. Chen as a Fogarty scholar.
 - a. Your letter was forwarded to Martha Hansen, Senior Contract and Grant Officer, concerning Question 2A for grant requirements. After reviewing the applicable grant guidelines and discussing the questions with the Assistant Vice Chancellor-Research, Ms. Hansen responded as follows:
 - 1. We understand the test kits were given to Dr. Chen for training purposes. The grant allows expenditures for training-related expenses and thus, the kits were an allowable charge on the grant.

- 2. We understand that Dr. Chen was still considered a Fogarty Scholar when he returned to China and continued his training in research techniques.
- 3. The sponsor, Fogarty International Center, provided funding for the training program, but was not a participant in the training program.

Sincerely,

John L. Fahey, MD

cc: Martha Hansen