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Hoi (10)(2e)

Iran is nog steeds een hot spot voor SARS-CoV-2 transmissie en ze willen graag samenwerken op het gebied van phylogenetische analysis/micro-evolutie van SARS in Iran. Dit is via (10)(2e) bij mij terecht gekomen. Ze hebben daar geld voor aangevraagd, er schijnt veel geld vrij gekomen te zijn in Iran via ministerie volksgezondheid door de huidige crisis.

Zullen we dit gezamenlijk oppakken? Of jij alleen natuurlijk of met (10)(2e) etc. Allemaal prima, maar misschien vind je het handiger als ik eerst probeer helder te krijgen wat hij precies wil en hoe het financieel zit? Is in mijn ogen een interessant aanbod gezien de rol van Iran in de uitbraak nu. Zeker ook als er wat funding bijkomt die ook weer nuttige acties kan geven voor ons.

Hoor het graag

Groet (10)(2e)

Dear Dr (10)(2e)

Hope you are fine.

May I ask you to take a look at the below emails? Just to avoid repetition, I would like to collaborate with you with regard to SARS-Cov 2019 phylodynamics.

In recent days, I have written a proposal to the Iranian Ministry of Health, concerning on 300 COVID-2019 positive samples across the country.

Any interest?

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind Regards

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Further to my last email, the situation of Covid-2019 in here is getting worse.

The ministry of health has announced all research networks to prepare their proposals on SARS-Cov-2/COVID-2019 urgently. They also encourage international collaboration in this regard as well.

We have only few days to define the proposals and everybody in any sector in here is quiet busy.

I appreciate it if you reply to my last email and also, let me know for any possible collaboration in terms of SARS-Cov-2

Macroevolution.

Kind Regards

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Hope you are fine and I hope you are doing well with the coming SARS-Cov-2 to Europe!

In the below email I clearly explained the situation. Today, I had a meeting with The Ministry Of Health (MOH) Chancellor for research, professor Reza Malekzadeh ((10)(2e) knows him very well).

He agreed to support a project on the novel Coronavirus phylodynamic study in Iran.

We are going to write down the proposal. We are just simply going to sequence the positive cases by Sanger method. Afterwards, an extensive software analysis on the evolution of sequences will be carried out.

Any further study and /or approach are you thinking about?

I remain at your disposal for any further information you might need and I look forward to a stimulating conversation with you regarding any possible collaboration.

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Kind Regard

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Dear All

We are in the middle of a bad situation.

It is very hard to think about "research on Coronavirus" in this disaster, however, as the president of the "Iranian Research Network on Viral Diseases", my responsibility is pushing on me for kicking off some activities in this regard.

I have access to the plenty of corona positive samples at the level of national-wide. the number of virological labs that are involved in the diagnosis for coronavirus in the country are quite low (about 5-6), however, the number is increasing.

I have planned to be in Europe starts at about 5th April. I would like to visit Leiden, especially meet (10)(2e). The main topic is about microbiome. However, if you are interested, we could meet and discuss about coronavirus as well.

Personally, my favorite is about the evolution of Coronavirus in Iran from the beginning, its entrance, circulation and overall a phylodynamic study.

My government refused to dedicate a budget to undertake such important survey. They are most worried about the supplement of gloves, masks and kits. nobody is interested in research on Coronavirus.

(10)(2e), my hard working colleague stays in Leiden, beside you. she is in contact with me every day.

I look forward to hearing from you, my friends.

Kind Regards

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