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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has taken final action in the following case:

*Ivana Frech, Ph.D. (formerly Ivana De Domenico), University of Utah:* Based on the evidence and findings of an investigation conducted by UU, ORI's oversight review of UU's investigation, and additional analysis conducted by ORI during its oversight review, ORI found that Ivana Frech, Ph.D. (formerly Ivana De Domenico), former Assistant Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, UU School of Medicine, engaged in research misconduct under 42 CFR part 93 in research supported by PHS funds, specifically NIDDK, NIH, grants R01 DK070947, R01 DK090257, and R01 DK030534, NIGMS, NIH, grant P50 GM082545, NIAID, NIH, grant R01 AI051174, and NHLBI, NIH, grant R01 HL026922.

ORI found by a preponderance of the evidence that Respondent intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly falsified and/or fabricated western blot and autoradiogram images related to mechanisms of cellular iron regulation by reusing, relabeling, and manipulating images to falsely report data in eight (8) figures included in the following three (3) PHS-supported published papers:

- Two Distinct Modes of ESCRT-III Recognition are Required for VPS4 Functions in Lysosomal Protein Targeting and HIV-1 Budding. *Dev Cell*. 2008 Jul;15(1):62-73. doi: 10.1016/j.devcel.2008.05.014 (hereafter referred to as "*Dev. Cell 2008*").
- The Role of Ubiquitination in Hepcidin-independent and Hcpidin-dependent Degradation of Ferroportin. *Cell Metab*. 2011 Nov 2;14(5):635-46. doi: 10.1016/j.cmet.2011.09.008 (hereafter referred to as "*Cell Met. Nov. 2011*") Retracted: *Cell Met*. 2012 Jun 6;15(6):927. doi: 10.1016/j.cmet.2012.04.107.
- Decoupling Ferritin Synthesis from Free Cytosolic Iron Results in Ferritin Secretion. *Cell Metab*. 2011 Jan 5;13(1):57-67. doi: 10.1016/j.cmet.2010.12.003 (hereafter referred to as "*Cell Met. Jan. 2011*"). Retracted: *Cell Met*. 2012 Jun 6;15(6):927. doi: 10.1016/j.cmet.2012.04.012.

ORI found that these acts constitute a significant departure from accepted practices of the relevant research community. Specifically, ORI found by a preponderance of the evidence that Respondent engaged in research

misconduct by intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly falsifying and/or fabricating:

- a western blot image in Figure 5B (right bottom panel) of *Dev. Cell* 2008 by reusing and relabeling an image of three western blot bands to represent the results of different experiments
- western blot images in Figure 1C (top and bottom panels) of *Cell Met. Nov. 2011* by reusing and relabeling an image of western blot bands to represent the results of two different experiments
- western blot images in Figures 1D and 3 of *Cell Met. Nov. 2011* by reusing and relabeling one image to represent the results of two different experiments
- western blot images in Figures 2Aii and 2B of *Cell Met. Nov. 2011* by reusing and relabeling one image as representing the results of two different experiments
- western blot images in Figures 2Aii and 5 of *Cell Met. Nov. 2011* by reusing and relabeling one image as representing the results of two different experiments
- images in Figure 4B (top and bottom left panels) of *Cell Met. Jan. 2011* by reusing and relabeling an image of an autoradiogram to misrepresent the reported experimental conditions and results

The following administrative actions have been implemented:

- (1) For a period of three (3) years, beginning on August 21, 2023, Respondent is debarred from participating in "covered transactions" as defined in 42 CFR 180.200 and procurement transactions covered under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR chapter 1).
- (2) Respondent is prohibited from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS including, but not limited to, service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant for a period of three (3) years, beginning on August 21, 2023.
- (3) In accordance with 42 CFR 93.407(a)(1) and 93.411(b), HHS will send to the journal *Developmental Cell* a notice of ORI's findings and the need for retraction or correction of *Dev Cell*. 2008 Jul;15(1):62-73. doi: 10.1016/j.devcel.2008.05.014.

Dated: August 30, 2023.

**Sheila Garrity,**

Director, Office of Research Integrity, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****National Institutes of Health****National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research; Amended Notice of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council, September 12, 2023, 4:45 p.m. to September 13, 2023, 3:30 p.m., National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 17, 2023, FR Document 2023-17712, 88 FR 56028.

The National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council Open and Closed Sessions meeting room has changed from the Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, and will now be held at the John Edward Porter Neuroscience Research Center Building, 35 Convent Drive Room 620/630, Bethesda, MD 20892. Meeting times remain the same. The meeting is partially closed to the public.

Dated: August 29, 2023.

**Melanie J. Pantoja,**

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

[Docket Number DHS-2023-0020]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Generic Clearance for Improving Customer Experience (OMB Circular A-11, Section 280 Implementation), 1601-0029**

**AGENCY:** Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, DHS will submit the following information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. DHS previously published this information collection request (ICR) in the **Federal Register** on June 23, 2023, for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received by DHS. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30-days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until October 5, 2023.