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Dear Piotr Merks,

This is a letter of support for the pharmaceutical care project **"Validation and modification of pictograms in Elderly in Poland"** led by Piotr Merks of Katedra Technologii Postaci Leku, Collegium Medicum im. L. Rydygiera w Bydgoszczy, Uniwersytet Mikołaja Kopernika w Toruniu.

The Pictogram Project led by the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) was developed with the aim of improving the understanding of medication instruction and support communication between healthcare providers and patients. Dr. Régis Vaillancourt, director of the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) Pharmacy and Dr. Annie Pouliot, research coordinator and facilitator at the CHEO are collaborating with the FIP as scientific advisor to the pictogram project and are collaborating with clinicians and researchers around the world to culturally adapt and validate pictograms used to depict drug instructions.

This letter grants Piotr Merks the right to use the FIP pictograms and the research methodology developed by FIP to conduct a research on the validation and modification of pictograms as per the attached protocol.

Dr. Vaillancourt and Dr. Pouliot will assure research supervision and collaboration. Piotr Merks will be responsible for the conduct of the research project and ensure that the project follows ethical principles as stipulated by both the CHEO Research Ethic Board and the Komisja Bioetyczna CMUMK w Bydgoszczy and make any arrangements to the research protocol to address any cultural particularities of the country.

Best regards,

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