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Subject: Letter of Support for "OLSPub – Open Life Science Publications Database: Building a Resilient European Biomedical and Life Science Infrastructure"

[Date]

Dear Professor Förstner and Dr. Albers,

Herewith I express my full support for your initiative OLSPub to develop a database as a national and European alternative to PubMed.

On behalf of [Your Institution/Organization] I express our wholehearted support for the initial project "OLSPub - Open Life Science Publications" (working title).

ZB MED – Information Centre of Life Science is well placed to deliver this outcome as a reliable alternative to the PubMed database provided by the National Library of Medicine, US, as PubMed may be not supported in the near future for European users given the current political developments.

The scientific work in my institution heavily relies on PubMed, thus your initiative is a pivotal step toward ensuring stable and independent access to biomedical research data for Germany and on European and international levels.

Recognizing the potential vulnerabilities in current data accessibility through foreign platforms (such as PubMed), we recommend your proactive approach in establishing a comprehensive, German/Europe-based and sustainable alternative. Also this platform is an important step in enacting European data sovereignty. Furthermore, the long term approaches of integrating German-language content cannot be valued strongly enough. Likewise, we also would appreciate any further expansion to content of other languages such as Spanish, French and Chinese in the future.

This early development of OLSPub is the first step to advance the resilience of medical and life science research infrastructures, and [Your institution] is eager to support its implementation and long-term sustainability by feedback to the ongoing project implementation. We look

forward to collaborating with you and are keen to assist in promoting your initiative of a resilient European Biomedical and Life Science Literature Database within the wider research community.

For our users/community of [add Institution target group] would widely benefit from a sustainable, openly available infrastructure of scientific literature as the OLSPub project is aiming for.

Thank you for leading this essential effort.

Sincerely,

[Your Full Name]

[Your Position]

[Your Institution or Organization]

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