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TO: Benedetto de Benedetti, Elisabetta Salza, Marco Luzzati  
FROM: Lia Addadi, Committee Chair, Torino-Weizmann Exchange Program

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased that the Torino-Weizmann Exchange Program will be launched in October 2007, with the award of the first grant the academic year 2007-08.

The Advisory Committee for the program this year consisted of:  
Prof. Haim Garty, Weizmann Institute Vice President  
Prof. Benny Geiger, Dean of the Faculty of Biology  
Prof. Massimo Aglietta, Director of the University Department of Medical Oncology and Hematology, IRCC-Candiolo  
Mrs. Elisabetta Salza, Chairman of DeBenedetti Cherasco 1547 Foundation Scientific Committee  
and myself as Chair.

In consultation with the Weizmann members of the Committee, and after discussion with Marco Luzzati, who expressed the agreement of the two Torino members, we all agree that the first award will fund the proposal submitted in 2006 for a joint project between Prof. Ronen Alon of the Department of Immunology at the Weizmann Institute and Prof. Emilio Hirsch of the University of Torino, School of Biotechnology. The project's title:

**Identification of new molecular targets to treat inflammatory diseases**

A copy of the proposal is attached.

This grant will be implemented with a donation of 25,000 euros by the Fondazione DeBenedetti Cherasco 1547.

A report on the project will be issued by the recipient at the end of the academic year, and no later than December 31, 2008.

With best wishes to all of us for the program's success,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lia Addadi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a long horizontal stroke.

Lia Addadi

cc. Prof. Ronen Alon, Department of Immunology  
Dr. Igal Nevo, Head, Research Grants & Projects Office  
Ronit Neaman, Department of Resource Development  
Dr. Robert Parienti, Paris