

**Subject:** Gene Editing Workshop: Monday, September 18, San Diego, CA

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Dear Mars, Inc. Gene Editing Workshop Participants:

Thank you to those who have RSVP'd for the workshop and we look forward to this discussion on **Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. We will host a dinner the evening prior on **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:30pm at Tom Hams Lighthouse Restaurant (walking distance from the hotel). The meeting itself will take place on **Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** in San Diego, CA at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina. The meeting will begin with a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m., lunch will be provided and the meeting will conclude by 5:30 p.m. *Please confirm that you are still available for this meeting* and plan to make your travel arrangements according to this schedule, as much as possible.

***Regarding travel and reimbursement of expenses:***

Mars, Inc. will cover all travel expenses associated with this meeting. Meridian has reserved a block of rooms at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina at a negotiated rate of \$179/night plus taxes and fees. Jeana Connaughton, Meridian, will be happy to reserve a room on your behalf. Please email Jeana, [jeconnaughton@merid.org](mailto:jeconnaughton@merid.org), with your arrival and departure dates and times. A credit card will be required at the time of check-in and for full payment upon departure. Mars, Inc. will reimburse these costs following the meeting. Jeana will provide you with a hotel confirmation number and is happy to assist with any logistical questions you may have. Additional logistical details and the initial meeting agenda will be sent in the coming weeks.

Margaret Saunders of ORSG/Mars, Inc. will be in touch with all participants via email to obtain confidentiality agreements, and to clarify arrangements regarding flights and other travel, submitting travel expenses and obtaining reimbursement. Margaret will handle all participant reimbursements after the meeting and can answer any questions on reimbursements.

Please let us know if we can provide further information by contacting either of us at [bstinson@merid.org](mailto:bstinson@merid.org) or [karyl.hurley@effem.com](mailto:karyl.hurley@effem.com).

Kind Regards,

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