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Dear Climb Against Cancer Board Members,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying a promising start to the new year.

I want to extend my sincerest gratitude for your gift in support of our colon cancer research. On behalf of my colleagues and the entire team at the Thorne Lab, we are honored and humbled that our cancer research was selected as the recipient of your funding through Climb Against Cancer. Your generosity, your advocacy, and the awareness you raise through your partnership are instrumental in furthering vital cancer-fighting initiatives.

Your support strengthens our ability to generate transformative research and outreach that addresses the most pressing challenges in cancer care. Together, we are contributing to groundbreaking advancements that will benefit countless lives.

Your investment in the Laboratories of Living Systems Medicine project provides the essential resources to propel our work toward the next critical stage of colon cancer research: drug testing. This advancement brings us closer to developing exciting new targeted therapies that hold the promise of improving outcomes for patients battling this disease.

As the only cancer center in Arizona to hold the National Cancer Institute's prestigious Comprehensive Cancer Center designation, we are uniquely positioned to push the boundaries of cancer treatment. Your partnership empowers us to continue our mission of providing innovative solutions, compassionate care, and steadfast support to those facing the most difficult battles of their lives. Though the road ahead may seem daunting, we remain resolute in our collective determination to overcome cancer through collaboration, cutting-edge research, patient care, education, and outreach. This endeavor is carried out with unwavering passion, expertise, and a shared commitment to excellence by our team, which includes over 150 renowned physicians and scientists at the University of Arizona Cancer Center.

Once again, thank you for joining us in this lifesaving work. Your contribution plays an invaluable role in our efforts to prevent, detect, treat, and ultimately cure cancer. As our research progresses, I eagerly anticipate sharing the profound impact of your generous donation with you.





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Please know that you are always welcome to visit our lab whenever you are in Tucson. We would be delighted to show you firsthand the difference your support is making.

With deepest appreciation,

Sincerely,

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