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To: Managing Editor

Subject: RE: Request for submission revised paper version 2 manuscript no:2012 IJBcRR 3023

I am sending the revised manuscript as advised in your mail.

The manuscript reported results of my studies on Plasmepsin 9 from *Plasmodium falciparum* during my one year postdoctoral program undertaken in Professor Dunn's laboratory in the Department of Biochemistry and molecular Biology, University of Florida, USA.

The manuscript formed an initial report on the expression and purification of the enzyme, hence, the title 'Preliminary Studies on the Expression and Purification of Functionally Active Recombinant Plasmepsin 9 from *Plasmodium falciparum*.' Kindly note that work is still in progress on the plasmepsin 9 project in Dunn's lab but I am back to my home institute.

I appreciate the efforts of the reviewers in improving the quality of the manuscript and it should be noted that the comments by the reviewers were taken seriously but I could only report the results of the preliminary studies which I did.

The reported results will form basis for production of improved yield of PfPM9 for detailed kinetic and structural characterization of the enzyme.

I hereby hope that the submission of the revised manuscript is justified.

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