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Dear Professor Shapiro

Re: NIH funding for headache research

The Migraine Trust appreciates the central importance of NIH funded research which uncovers the pathophysiology of migraine and headache, that leads to new and effective treatments, and that reduces suffering from disabling headache conditions – which is of significant proportions world-wide. We think that headache research should be given high priority for funding as current levels of NIH support for headache research are inadequate, especially given the enormous impact that disabling headache makes on the lives of millions of people and the associated economic costs.

As a UK-based voluntary organisation, we are aware that non-US nationals are entitled to apply for NIH funding, and headache research would therefore benefit from higher levels of funding to help realise the potential in work carried out in Europe and elsewhere as well as in the US.

Yours sincerely

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