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Dr. Yu Chung Tse
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Dear Dr. Tse,

Thank you for transferring your manuscript entitled "An extracellular matrix protein promotes Anillin-dependent processes in the *C. elegans* germline" to Life Science Alliance. The manuscript was assessed by expert reviewers at another journal before, and these reports have been transferred to us by the editor.

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RE: Life Science Alliance Manuscript #LSA-2018-00152-TR

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Dear Dr. Tse,

Thank you for submitting your revised manuscript entitled "An extracellular matrix protein promotes Anillin-dependent processes in the *C. elegans* germline". We appreciate the introduced changes and would be happy to publish your paper in Life Science Alliance pending final revisions necessary to meet our formatting guidelines:

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RE: Life Science Alliance Manuscript #LSA-2018-00152-TRR

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Dear Dr. Tse,

Thank you for submitting your Research Article entitled "An extracellular matrix protein promotes Anillin-dependent processes in the *C. elegans* germline". It is a pleasure to let you know that your manuscript is now accepted for publication in Life Science Alliance. Congratulations on this interesting work.

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