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Dear CRS friends,

I hope all is well with you and your family. This year, I am celebrating my 12-year anniversary with CRS, which has been an incredible support community throughout my career. I received my membership of CRS in 2011 when I was working as a postdoc in the Langer Lab. In 2017, I received Young Investigator Award of CRS in Boston. From 2017 to 2019, I served as a CRS Focus Group inaugural Chair of biomimetic and bioinspired drug delivery (BBDD). From 2019 to 2021, I served as the CRS Ambassador to China. Last December, I just stepped down from the role as the President of CRS China Chapter. I am now working with Dr. María José Alonso as the Editor for Asia and Oceania of *Drug Delivery and Translational Research*, an official journal of CRS.

With all friends' support, the impact of CRS in China has already been significantly enhanced within a short period of time. We have reactivated the CRS China Chapter in 2019 and built up WeChat social groups with over 800 members. Two months ago, we just organized two fabulous CRS China Chapter sessions in the 15<sup>th</sup> Chinese Pharmaceutical Conference in Shanghai. I always appreciate the terrific opportunities that I have received from CRS, and it would be my honor to continue working with the Board for our members. As the Board Director-At-Large, I will work with the Board to further boost the global impact of CRS. Particularly, I will interact with the local Chapters and field leaders in Asia to further expand CRS influence, broadening marketing, and promoting visibility as well as membership

profile. Importantly, I will work with the Board to further create specialized values to our members, as related to scientific excellence, professional training, and leadership development. We will provide more dynamic platforms, such as research/investment speed dating events, focus group special symposiums and CRS International Innovation Foundry for professionals from academia, industry, clinical practice and investment across the world.

To me, CRS stands out as a diverse organization, offering a nurturing environment for our members to germinate innovations, promote translations, and form lasting friendships. I look forward to contributing to CRS's prosperity. Please vote for me, Zhen Gu for the CRS Director-At-Large, thank you so much for your time and welcome to Hangzhou!

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zhen Gu'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'Z' being particularly large and stylized.

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