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## Proposals for Belgrove House

Dear Sir / Madam

I am pleased to support the proposal for the development of Belgrove House to create a new UK HQ and Discovery Centre for MSD.

The Knowledge Quarter is already an important centre for biomedical research, for example as home to the Francis Crick Institute and a number of universities. This position as a world-leading research hub would be strengthened further by this new proposal.

MSD are a global player. Basing their UK activity in Camden puts this area at the centre of MSD's future activity and decision making. Further, new laboratory space will create desirable space for discovery and clinical researchers, in close proximity to the existing research community in the Knowledge Quarter. This will provide further opportunities for the collaboration needed to drive research forward.

Yours faithfully

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