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Dear Internship Committee:

My name is Freeman Lewis and I am interested in joining 23andMe as a Therapeutics Development Intern for the 2023 cycle. Please find my CV with relevant experiences attached along with my application.

In brief, I have ten years of drug development (preclinical and clinical) applied research experience of which I acquired from various opportunities within the San Francisco Bay area biotechnology community.

As of August 2022, I graduated from Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine with a Master's in Public Health and an area of emphasis in Social, Behavioral, and Population Sciences and began my doctoral degree in Environmental Health Sciences (EHS) at Florida International University (FIU). My dissertation research project will utilize causal Bayesian network (CBN) analysis of transcriptomic data to evaluate genomic contributions to the adaptive resistance and recurrence of Glioblastoma (astrocytoma IV).

My interests in 23andMe, more specifically Therapeutic Development at 23andMe, stems from my career aspiration to utilize genomic analyses as a research tool for clinical application and to understand the process of therapeutic candidate selection. Understanding therapeutic candidate selection will directly impact the advancement of my dissertation research by growing my proposal to include a research aim that measures lead compound therapeutic efficacy in the treatment of Glioblastoma. In collaboration with FIU-EHS faculty and as a result of the skill set acquired through your internship, I may confidently perform high-throughput lead candidate screening and bring therapies another step closer to patients.

Thank you again for your time and for allowing me to introduce myself.

I look forward to speaking with you and please do not hesitate to contact me if you need more information.

Thank you again,

Freeman Lewis