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Dear Palitha,

I am pleased to collaborate with you and Barbara Lachenbruch on the proposed project titled "Genomics of xylem response to stress in poplar: Transcriptomics, network, and functional analysis to identify developmental regulators" being submitted to the DOE Plant Feedstock funding competition 2013 (DE-FOA-0000770).

In my group we have in depth background in transcriptomics, bioinformatics, pathways and network analysis. If funded I would be pleased to provide lab space and mentor/supervise a graduate student working on the proposed project in my laboratory.

On behalf of the Gramene database project for which I am a co-PI, I pleased to say that we would be happy to integrate the genomics dataset generated from this project. The data from the gene networks as well as phenotype data will be useful for supporting functional annotation of the gene models and we expect you will provide this data according to the standardized exchange formats. Please make sure the sequencing and the gene expression data is submitted to the public data archives.

I wish you the best of luck on your proposal.

Sincerely,

Pankaj Jaiswal