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Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in the development of Vasalgel, the new male contraceptive. We're sending this message to update you on the status of the project and to let you know how much your support has meant to the project.

Over the past few years, we have continued preclinical studies of Vasalgel, with a focus on testing different formulations, developing an improved reversal methodology, and completing advanced laboratory analytics on the chemistry and structural properties of the material. But progress has been slower than we would like.

We remain confident that Vasalgel has the potential to fill a critical need for non-hormonal male contraception, but we believe the project is likelier to succeed if we partner with another organization that has the resources necessary to complete the next steps, including clinical trials and regulatory approvals. We've been exploring options with potential collaborators who have urology medical device experience and a shared commitment to our social mission, and continue to seek new connections.

We sincerely appreciate the steadfast loyalty of so many Vasalgel supporters through these past years of progress and unexpected hurdles. We'll update you again if we reach a significant milestone in this new plan for bringing Vasalgel to the public.

Wondering how you can best contribute towards the development of new male contraceptives in the meantime? We recommend joining and donating to the nonprofit Male Contraceptive Initiative, which tracks and supports both Vasalgel and several other promising male contraceptive research projects. They can funnel your contribution towards both advocacy and the most promising leads. See <https://www.malecontraceptive.org/> for more information.

Best regards,

--The Vasalgel Team

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