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Oron Catts, Ionat Zurr, and Steve Berrick 139A Peninsula Road, Maylands 6051 WA Australia

Yamaguchi, 1 March 2025

Subject: Invitation letter

Exhibition at Yamaguchi Center for Arts and Media [YCAM]

Dear Oron, Ionat, and Steve,

We are delighted to invite you to produce and exhibit "Project MRT (Metabolic Rift Technology)" at the Yamaguchi Center for Arts and Media [YCAM]. Your unwavering focus on critical discourse in the field of biotechnology and arts resonates deeply with YCAM's mission to foster art that challenges historical narratives, technological implications, and community engagement. YCAM, an art centre in Yamaguchi City, Japan, open in 2003, hosts various events incorporating media technology with facilities include exhibition spaces, a cinema, a library, and workshop spaces.

Project MRT proposal delves into the fantasy of nature-free living when, in the name of sustainability, the means of (food) production are decoupled from land and nature. Combining experimental performance with bio arts installation directly aligns with the artistic direction YCAM has taken in the last couple of years, as demonstrated by the establishment of YCAM Bio Research in 2015-and still the only art centre in Japan with such facilities. We envision a compelling and significant exhibition premiering at YCAM at a tentative date from 11 October 2025 to 22 February 2026.

To support this endeavour, YCAM is prepared to offer the following:

- Financial support of around 14,000,000 Yen (fourteen million yen).
- Accommodation during the initial creation and setup phase in Yamaguchi.
- · Daily expenses for local transportation during the installation process until related public events.
- Studio space equipped with high-speed internet and multimedia equipment.
- Full-time support from in-house sound, video, lighting, and network engineers for production support.

YCAM is always looking for ways to collaborate with various individuals, artist groups, and institutions worldwide to exchange views and ideas. We would greatly appreciate the opportunity for you to contribute to and be part of this international cooperative.

Sincerely.

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President, Yamaguchi City Foundation for Cultural Promotion