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Invitation letter

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to invite Prof. Yu Sing Leung (Jonathan) to visit the School of Biological Sciences, The University of Adelaide (UoA), as a visitor from 31 July 2024 to 30 November 2024. Depending on his time and schedule, we plan to study the effect of ocean acidification on starfish in his visit, as my current ARC Discovery grant on climate change benefits from the past work done jointly with Prof. Leung. We also plan to write scientific papers that are based on data already collected as part of (1) Prof. Leung's previous work as a fellow on one of my grants at UoA, and (2) ongoing new data to be collected as samples of shell-building life exposed to climate change; i.e. ocean acidification and global warming. Publications will be in high prestige journals, and not journals of low reputational status. Apart from these activities, Prof. Leung will also meet the research fellows in my team and discuss our future collaborative research and grant application. Therefore, this visit will provide a good opportunity to develop the research connection between Shantou University and UoA.

Prof. Leung, who is my past PhD student and then paid Research Associate at UoA, is my long-term collaborator with an outstanding track record. By continuing our collaboration, we seek prestigious papers and grants of high value to both Shantou University and UoA. Thus, I am glad to continue to work with him in the future and look forward to seeing him in Adelaide again soon.

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Sean D. Connell