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Dear Dr. Quirk:

I am very pleased to inform you that your application for extension of your Method to Extend Research in Time (MERIT) award for the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) research grant number R37 MH058883-22, entitled "Prefrontal amygdala interactions in fear conditioning," has been approved for the time period and amounts indicated below:

<u>Extension Year</u>	<u>Direct Costs Approved</u>
22	\$250,000
23	\$250,000
24	\$250,000
25	\$250,000
26	\$250,000

The direct costs listed above are subject to cost management principles, satisfactory progress, and available funds. Amounts awarded are subject to adjustment by the institute.

Approval of extensions for MERIT awards is based on recommendation by NIMH program staff following review of the abbreviated application, with concurrence and a favorable recommendation by the National Advisory Mental Health Council.

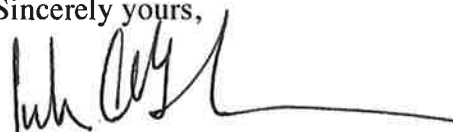
As you know, the objective in supporting the MERIT program at NIMH is to provide long-term, stable support to investigators whose research competence and productivity are distinctly superior and who are likely to continue to perform in an outstanding manner. It is hoped that this extension of your MERIT award will foster your continued creativity and documented productivity.

The administration of MERIT awards or extensions will conform to the usual policies and procedures for administering R01 awards, unless otherwise modified by a specific term or condition cited on the Notice of Grant Award.

If you have any questions, please contact your Program Officer, Aleksandra Vicentic, Ph.D., of the NIMH Division of Neuroscience and Basic Behavioral Science at 301-443-1576.

Congratulations on being selected for this noteworthy honor.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josh Gordon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Joshua A. Gordon, MD, Ph.D.  
Director