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Dear Mr. Epstein,  
Ellis Rubinstein tried to introduce us in October but failed due to the complexity of coordinating 3 calendars. I'm following up at his recommendation with the hope that we may find it easier to meet directly. I direct the largest and most productive center for pathogen surveillance and discovery. House at Columbia, the Center for Infection and Immunity and associated WHO Collaborating Centre, is poised to expand from metagenomic and zoonotic diseases research to address the role of gene-environment-timing interactions in neurodevelopmental, neoplastic and autoimmune disorders. The strategies and tools needed to do this are largely the same; thus, I'm confident this new initiative can succeed and have a huge impact on human morbidity and mortality. Please suggest a date and time we can meet to discuss your vision for basic and translational public health and see whether a collaboration makes sense. =  
All best wishes,

Ian Lipkin

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