

From: Deepak Chopra <[REDACTED]>
To: "Ramachandran, Vilayanur" <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Cost to study the autistic savant who displays telepathy
Date: Mon, 25 Sep 2017 12:14:02 +0000

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Thanks Rama --will explore
Lets do a pilot ASAP with the kid identified by Diane
I will continue to explore the big idea as well
Love

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From: Ramachandran, Vilayanur <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 12:49:24 AM
To: Deepak Chopra
Subject: RE: Cost to study the autistic savant who displays telepathy

Sorry i just returned to the lab after a dinner engagement
A pilot would cost almost nothing unless the professional magician charges me - travel from northern California down to San diego ; overnight stay plus some sort of consulting fee which he might decline

But in my experience with such thnghs the " hit rate " is very small with a pilot - which shouldn't stop us anyway the advantage with a program - if your sponsor can afford it - is the program generates its own momentum and may well raise the chance of making important discoveries Additionally if he/ she donates more than a million he could have the center be named after him ; and we could study not merely telepathy (a topic of great interest to a member of our center dr john smithies MD who studied paranormal phenomena 50 yrs ago ! Additional finding could be used for hiring a full ti,me postdoc and grad students for 3 to 5 yrs My own interest is [primarily in EXCEPTIONAL " off scale " abilities that are still within the realm of the possible versus out-right supernatural. eg number savants - language savants - skills emerging after head injury unleashes hidden abilities . Number svanthood would be especially easy to study because its a COMPACT rigorously defined system So the emphasis would be on " off scale " rather than " outside the realm " ; though i have an open mind.

If your pal is serious about setting in motion a lab for the study of extraordinary brain potential - in could raise it with the powers that be - something like 500 000 to 3 million would get the administrators excited
ON a smaller scale i don't have a [problem with my lab being funded by epstein so long as theres no UC connection - he would appoint me as coordinator / director of a private initiative unaffiliated with UCSD
We can chat now or tomorrow evening Cheers Rama
ps in the interest honesty given the focus on such fringe phenomena - theres a 50 % chance the whole effort could go up in smoke , but the 50 % chance that it COULD lead to something - makes it worthwhile .
PS I envisage 1 K our 2 for the pilot

From: Deepak Chopra [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2017 4:27 PM
To: Ramachandran, Vilayanur
Subject: Re: Cost to study the autistic savant who displays telepathy

Ok
Thanks
Can we start with a pilot ?

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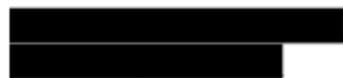
On Sep 24, 2017, at 6:02 PM, Ramachandran, Vilayanur <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Deepak ill get back to you this evening t ; it depends on the scale of the operation

From: Deepak Chopra [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2017 2:14 PM
To: Paul J. Mills; Ramachandran, Vilayanur
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I'm meeting possible finder this week
Can I have a budget ?

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