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12. Travel/accommodations/meeting expenses unrelated to activities listed**	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1600\$	2010 Keynote lecture at Acupuncture Research Congress, Chapel Hill	×
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3. Employment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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1. Identifying information.

Enter your full name. If you are NOT the corresponding author please check the box "no" and a space to enter the name of the corresponding author in the space that appears. Provide the requested manuscript information. Double-check the manuscript number and enter it.

2. The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes". Then complete the appropriate boxes to indicate the type of support and whether the payment went to you, or to your institution, or both.

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2. Consulting fee or honorarium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			X
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3. Support for travel to meetings for the study or other purposes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, DFG)		X
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6. Payment for lectures including service on speakers bureaus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sep 2012 Lecture prevention with CAM, Nürnberger Versicherung, Nuremberg, Germany		X
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12. Travel/accommodations/ meeting expenses unrelated to activities listed**	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Feb 2010 - SMS Acupuncture Society, Membership Meeting - oral presentation, Munich, Germany		X
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12. Travel/accommodations/ meeting expenses unrelated to activities listed**	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	June 2012 - 3rd JSAM acupuncture society Congress - oral presentation, Yokkaichi, Japan		X
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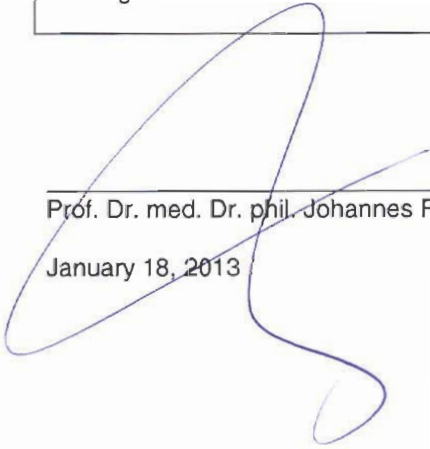
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