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Re: *GeneLink, Inc. and foru<sup>TM</sup> International Corporation*  
FTC File No. 112-3095

Dear Ms. Al-Mondhiry:

Thank you for your comment regarding the above-referenced matter. Your letter was placed on the public record pursuant to Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 2.34, and was given serious consideration by the Commission.

In your comment, you express concern about the scope of the proposed Orders for respondents GeneLink, Inc. ("GeneLink") and foru<sup>TM</sup> International Corporation ("foru<sup>TM</sup>"). Specifically, you contend that by requiring respondents to substantiate future disease prevention, treatment, and diagnosis claims with two well-controlled human clinical trials (referred to here as "RCTs"), the Commission is creating "a de facto two-RCT standard on health- and disease-related claims" for the food and dietary supplement industry. Letter from Rend Al-Mondhiry, Esq., Regulatory Counsel, Council for Responsible Nutrition, to Commissioners of the Federal Trade Commission (Feb. 3, 2014) ("CRN Comment") at 2. You also state that requiring testing by different researchers and requiring such testing to occur on the product itself or on an essentially equivalent product create undue burdens on respondents. *Id.* As indicated in the statements of the individual Commissioners, the concerns raised in your comment were among those considered by the Commission when determining the appropriate injunctive relief in this matter.

After carefully considering your comment, the Commission has determined that the public interest is best served by issuing the Decision and Order in final form without modification. A copy of the final Decision and Order, and other relevant materials, are available from the Commission's website at <http://www.ftc.gov>.

It helps the Commission's analysis to hear from a variety of sources in its work, and we thank you again for your letter.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark  
Secretary