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**Subject:** Re: review schedule for ms 5153401  
**Date:** December 8, 2016 at 7:27 PM  
**To:** Rana Ali rana.ali@hindawi.com  
**Cc:** gonzalez@me.ccny.cuny.edu

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Dear Ms. Ali,

Thank you for the email. Please forgive my candidness, but honestly I do not understand the reason for your invariably careful wording to avoid identifying Prof. Gonzalez as manuscript editor, nor his reticence for direct communication.

I have published extensively in the peer-reviewed scientific literature, and know this behavior is not to common standard.

My study is very controversial, but nevertheless is analytically correct.

However, editors have behaved very poorly in prior submissions of this manuscript to other journals. You will understand why, therefore, that the persistent departure from standard ethics at Adv. Met. leave me uneasy.

I would like to receive some assurances from Prof. Gonzalez that the proceedings are in an advanced stage, given the very long time of review. Such editorial reassurances are common when review is delayed.

Thanks very much for your attention to this matter.

Best wishes,

Pat

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These things are, we conjecture, like the truth;  
But as for certain truth, no one has known it.

Xenophanes, 570-500 BCE  
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On Dec 8, 2016, at 5:39 AM, Rana Ali <rana.ali@hindawi.com> wrote:

Dear Dr. Frank ,

Thank you for your cooperation. The Editor who is handling the review process of your manuscript has assigned it to external peer reviewers. Once the reviewers have submitted their reports, the Editor will be able to make a decision, and we will let you know the decision by email.

Best regards,

Rana

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On 12/4/2016 5:52:14 AM, Patrick Frank pfrank830@earthlink.net wrote:

Dear Ms. Ali,

Please email Prof. Gonzalez, to ask for an estimate from him of the time remaining to review manuscript 5153401, which has now been in his hands for more than 3 months.

As you recall, the prior version, ms 3852317, took only 3 weeks in review (29 March - 21 April 2016).

I would be very relieved to receive an estimate in reply over the name of Prof. Gonzalez early this coming week of 5 December.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank-you for your consideration, and  
best wishes,

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