



Health Research Authority

South East Coast - Surrey Research Ethics Committee

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Please note: This is the favourable opinion of the REC only and does not allow you to start your study at NHS sites in England until you receive HRA Approval

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Dear Dr Moonesinghe

Study title: Improving perioperative care through the use of quality data: Patient Study of the Perioperative Quality Improvement Programme
REC reference: 16/LO/1827
Protocol number: 16/0577
IRAS project ID: 215928

The Proportionate Review Sub-committee of the South East Coast - Surrey Research Ethics Committee reviewed the above application in correspondence.

We plan to publish your research summary wording for the above study on the HRA website, together with your contact details. Publication will be no earlier than three months from the date of this favourable opinion letter. The expectation is that this information will be published for all studies that receive an ethical opinion but should you wish to provide a substitute contact point, wish to make a request to defer, or require further information, please contact the REC Manager Mr Raj Khullar, nrescommittee.secoast-surrey@nhs.net. Under very limited circumstances (e.g.

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for student research which has received an unfavourable opinion), it may be possible to grant an exemption to the publication of the study.

Ethical opinion

On behalf of the Committee, the sub-committee gave a favourable ethical opinion of the above research on the basis described in the application form, protocol and supporting documentation, subject to the conditions specified below.

Management permission must be obtained from each host organisation prior to the start of the study at the site concerned.

Management permission should be sought from all NHS organisations involved in the study in accordance with NHS research governance arrangements. Each NHS organisation must confirm through the signing of agreements and/or other documents that it has given permission for the research to proceed (except where explicitly specified otherwise).

Guidance on applying for HRA Approval (England)/ NHS permission for research is available in the Integrated Research Application System, www.hra.nhs.uk or at <http://www.rdforum.nhs.uk>.

Where a NHS organisation's role in the study is limited to identifying and referring potential participants to research sites ("participant identification centre"), guidance should be sought from the R&D office on the information it requires to give permission for this activity.

For non-NHS sites, site management permission should be obtained in accordance with the procedures of the relevant host organisation.

Sponsors are not required to notify the Committee of management permissions from host organisations.

Registration of Clinical Trials

All clinical trials (defined as the first four categories on the IRAS filter page) must be registered on a publically accessible database. This should be before the first participant is recruited but no later than 6 weeks after recruitment of the first participant.

There is no requirement to separately notify the REC but you should do so at the earliest opportunity e.g. when submitting an amendment. We will audit the registration details as part of the annual progress reporting process.

To ensure transparency in research, we strongly recommend that all research is registered but for non-clinical trials this is not currently mandatory.

If a sponsor wishes to request a deferral for study registration within the required timeframe, they should contact hra.studyregistration@nhs.net. The expectation is that all clinical trials will be registered, however, in exceptional circumstances non registration may be permissible with prior agreement from the HRA. Guidance on where to register is provided on the HRA website.

It is the responsibility of the sponsor to ensure that all the conditions are complied with before the start of the study or its initiation at a particular site (as applicable).

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Ethical review of research sites

The favourable opinion applies to all NHS sites taking part in the study, subject to management permission being obtained from the NHS/HSC R&D office prior to the start of the study (see “Conditions of the favourable opinion”).

Approved documents

The documents reviewed and approved were:

<i>Document</i>	<i>Version</i>	<i>Date</i>
Confirmation of any other Regulatory Approvals (e.g. NIGB) and all correspondence [PQIP Database Protocol]	1.0	06 June 2016
Confirmation of any other Regulatory Approvals (e.g. NIGB) and all correspondence [PQIP Database IRAS form]	1.0	06 June 2016
Confirmation of any other Regulatory Approvals (e.g. NIGB) and all correspondence [PQIP Database REC opinion letter]	Final decision	12 August 2016
Copies of advertisement materials for research participants [Participant Information Poster]	1.0	22 September 2016
IRAS Application Form [IRAS_Form_26092016]		26 September 2016
IRAS Application Form XML file [IRAS_Form_26092016]		26 September 2016
IRAS Checklist XML [Checklist_23092016]		23 September 2016
IRAS Checklist XML [Checklist_26092016]		26 September 2016
Non-validated questionnaire [Patient Questionnaire Booklet]	0.6	22 September 2016
Other [PQIP Eligible Procedures]	1.0	19 September 2016
Other [Insurance confirmation letter]		23 September 2016
Other [UCL Insurance Policy]		11 July 2016
Participant consent form [Participant Consent Form]	0.7	22 September 2016
Participant information sheet (PIS) [Participant Information Sheet]	0.6	21 September 2016
Research protocol or project proposal [Protocol]	1.4	21 September 2016
Summary CV for Chief Investigator (CI) [CV Ramani Moonesinghe]	1.0	29 June 2016

Membership of the Proportionate Review Sub-Committee

The members of the Sub-Committee who took part in the review are listed on the attached sheet.

Statement of compliance

The Committee is constituted in accordance with the Governance Arrangements for Research Ethics Committees and complies fully with the Standard Operating Procedures for Research Ethics Committees in the UK.

After ethical review

Reporting requirements

The attached document “After ethical review – guidance for researchers” gives detailed guidance on reporting requirements for studies with a favourable opinion, including:

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- Notifying substantial amendments
- Adding new sites and investigators
- Notification of serious breaches of the protocol
- Progress and safety reports
- Notifying the end of the study

The HRA website also provides guidance on these topics, which is updated in the light of changes in reporting requirements or procedures.

User Feedback

The Health Research Authority is continually striving to provide a high quality service to all applicants and sponsors. You are invited to give your view of the service you have received and the application procedure. If you wish to make your views known please use the feedback form available on the HRA website:

<http://www.hra.nhs.uk/about-the-hra/governance/quality-assurance/>

HRA Training

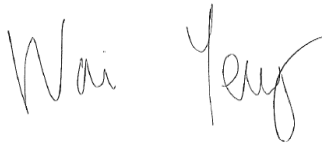
We are pleased to welcome researchers and R&D staff at our training days – see details at <http://www.hra.nhs.uk/hra-training/>

With the Committee's best wishes for the success of this project.

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Please quote this number on all correspondence

Yours sincerely



**PP - Dr Mark Atkins
Chair**

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Enclosures: List of names and professions of members who took part in the review

"After ethical review – guidance for researchers"

*Copy to: Ms Suzanne Emerton, University College London Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust*

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Attendance at PRS Sub-Committee of the REC meeting in correspondence

Committee Members:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Profession</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Dr Mark Atkins	Consultant Virologist	Yes	
Mrs Chrissie Lawson	Nurse Specialist	Yes	
Mr Robin Walsh	Retired Professor of Physical Chemistry	Yes	

Also in attendance:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position (or reason for attending)</i>
Mr Wai Yeung	REC Assistant