North West - Haydock Research Ethics Committee

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14 October 2016

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Dear Professor Symmons

Study title: Prospective observational study of the long-term hazards

of anti-TNF therapy in rheumatoid arthritis

REC reference: 00/8/053

Amendment number: 23

Amendment date: 12 July 2016

IRAS project ID: 64202

The above amendment was reviewed by the Sub-Committee in correspondence.

Favourable opinion

This amendment consisted of two new documents, a new invitation letter and a letter explaining why participants were being asked to reconsent to the participant follow-up.

The sub-committee did not raise any ethical issues with the amendment.

The members of the Committee taking part in the review gave a favourable ethical opinion of the amendment on the basis described in the notice of amendment form and supporting documentation.

Approved documents

The documents reviewed and approved at the meeting were:

Document	Version	Date
Letter from sponsor [Sponsor approval email]		13 July 2016
Notice of Substantial Amendment (non-CTIMP)	23	12 July 2016
Participant consent form [Re-consent letter]	1	12 July 2016
Participant consent form [Re-consent reminder letter]	1	12 July 2016
Participant consent form [Consent invitation letter]	1	12 July 2016

Membership of the Committee

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

R&D approval

All investigators and research collaborators in the NHS should notify the R&D office for the relevant NHS care organisation of this amendment and check whether it affects R&D approval of the research.

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.

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

00/8/053:

Please quote this number on all correspondence

Yours sincerely

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Chair

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

review

Copy to: Ms Lynne MacRae, University of Manchester

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Attendance at Sub-Committee of the REC meeting on 11 October 2016

Committee Members:

Name	Profession	Present	Notes
Dr Valerie E Siddall	Retired Senior Manager - Pharmaceutical Industry	Yes	
Dr Tim S Sprosen	REC Chair - Epidemiologist	Yes	

Also in attendance:

Name	Position (or reason for attending)
Ms Rachel Katzenellenbogen	REC Manager