

## Appendix A.



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Dear Julia,

### **Re: Research Degree Project**

Thank you for submitting further information following the audit initiated by Professor Della Freeth, former Pro-Director (Learning & Teaching) in 2017. The aim of the audit was to assure the School that all Research Degree (RD) candidates had obtained the appropriate approvals before they start their projects.

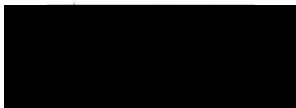
The Research Governance Committee considered the initial results of this audit and recommended further action. As a result, a sub-group of the Research Governance Committee reviewed RD projects without valid LSHTM ethics approval in their name, as this has been a requirement since 2014.

As members of this sub-group of the Research Governance Committee, we have reviewed your project and supporting documents. We are satisfied that the St George's Research Office have reviewed the umbrella ARPEC project (ref A-2009-11-01) and declared that research ethics review was not required, and that all analyses for your project were undertaken at St George's.

Should other data collection or analytical methods not detailed in the existing ethics approval be required for your project, please submit an application to the LSHTM ethics committee prior to any further data collection or analysis of the data/tissue.

Should you have any queries, please contact Patricia Henley in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,



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