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Dr M Pegg
Chairman of the Ethics Committee
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Dear Dr Pegg

Re: Autism and Non-Specific Colitis and Lymphoid Nodular Hyperplasia

Further to our original study, we are now continuing to see such children by clinical need and performing ileo-colonoscopy and limited blood tests in order to decide whether to give such children Mesalazine. As Dr Wakefield is carefully analysing our results and some of the biopsies taken are being used for research (we already have research permission for taking extra biopsies in children who we colonoscope) I would like formally to request Ethical Committee approval for our clinical research analysis of these children who we are continuing to see by clinical need.

With Kind Regards

Yours sincerely

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