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Signed written informed consent was obtained for all eligible participants.

Thank you for your considerations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Julie Bottero', written in a cursive style.

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