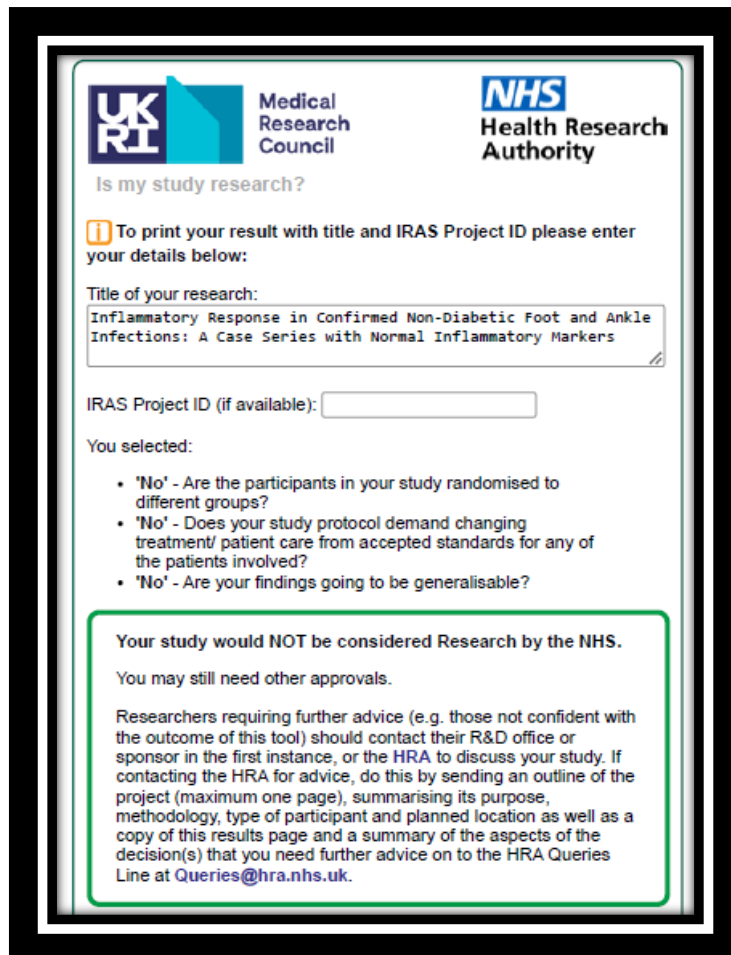


Institutional Board Review Statement

We have not included a statement of IRB review, since IRB approval was not required for our study **“Inflammatory Response in Confirmed Non-Diabetic Foot and Ankle Infections: A Case Series with Normal Inflammatory Markers”** as all data was anonymised and depersonalised hence being subject to audit rather than research regulations and stipulations. Our study did not require a research ethics committee approval as per the NIHR REC tool (<https://www.hradecisiontools.org.uk/research/>)



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