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Dear Dr Naeman Goetz

Re: **Project ID: 100582; HREC/2023/MNHA/100582; Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Colonoscopy Quality – A single centre retrospective cohort study**

Thank you for submitting the above research project for ethical review. This project was received by the Metro North Health Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) A (EC 00172) and was reviewed by a sub-Committee of the HREC. The research project meets the requirements of the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)*.

I am pleased to advise that the sub-Committee has approved of this low-risk research project. This approval will be tabled at the next HREC meeting to be held on 18 September 2023.

A **waiver of consent** has been approved. Please consider permissions under the *Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011* or *Public Health Act 2005* to enable access to confidential information for the purposes of research without consent. If a Public Health Act (PHA) application is applicable, please visit the Office of Precision Medicine and Research at:

https://www.health.qld.gov.au/hiiro/html/regu/aces_conf_hth_info

Ongoing approval is for the duration of the project, conditional on:

1. In accordance with Section 5.5.6 (b) of the National Statement the Principal Investigator will report to the HREC annually (**Due by 30 April each year**) in the specified format and a final report is to be submitted on completion of the study.
www.health.qld.gov.au/metronorth/research/ethics-governance/post-approval-reporting/default.asp
2. The Principal Investigator will immediately report anything which might warrant review of ethical approval of the project in the specified format, including:
 - a. Unforeseen events that might affect continued ethical acceptability of the project.

- b. Serious Adverse Events that materially impact on the continued ethical acceptability of the project.
3. Amendments to the research project are to be submitted to the HREC for review. Amendments should be reflected in a cover letter from the principal investigator, providing a description of the changes, the rationale for the changes, and their implications for the ongoing conduct of the study, tracked and clean copies of updated documents must be provided. Further advice on submitting amendments is available from:
www.health.qld.gov.au/metronorth.health.qld.gov.au/research/ethics-and-governance/post-approval-reporting
 4. The Principal Investigator will notify the HREC if the project is discontinued at the participating site(s), with reasons provided.
 5. If additional sites are engaged prior to the commencement of, or during the research project, the Principal Investigator is required to notify the HREC. Notification of the withdrawn sites should also be provided to the HREC in a timely fashion accompanying a close out report for that site.

This letter constitutes ethical approval only. This project cannot proceed at any site until separate research governance authorisation has been obtained from the CEO or Delegate of the institution under whose auspices the research will be conducted at that site.

The reviewed and approved documents include:

Document	Version	Date
Form Reference: HREA	Jul ver 1	09 July 2023
CV - Naeman Goetz	-	-
Response to Further Information Requested - HREA	Aug ver 2	09 August 2023
Protocol	2.0	09 August 2023
CPI Form Signed	-	09 August 2023

The nominated participating sites for this project are:

No.	Site
1.	Redcliffe Hospital

The Metro North HREC wishes you every success in your research.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Sarah Winch

Chairperson, Metro North Health Human Research Ethics Committee A (EC 00172)

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This HREC is constituted and operates in accordance with the National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007)*, NHMRC and Universities Australia Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (2007) and the CPMP/ICH Note for Guidance on Good Clinical Practice.