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Ethics Committee

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Protocol number: 1/2

Study: The study of the effects of DPP4 inhibitor linagliptin on structural changes in the kidneys and liver in a model of type 2 diabetes in *db/db* mice.

Principal investigator: V.V. Klimontov, MD, PhD

Conclusion: The study protocol was reviewed and approved. All efforts were made to minimize the number of animals used and their pain or discomfort.

Head of the Ethics Committee

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