Dear Editor!

As I have written in my email to Ms. Fang-Fang Ji on August 30, these references which you like to have online links are not available anymore. When I downloaded them 1-3 years ago, they were still available in the internet. But before I saved the PDF files and attached them as in supplementary material.

Here is every reference explained in detail:

- Reference Nr 3:

**3 Malchau H**, Herberts P. Prognosis of Total Hip Replacement. Revision and re-revision rate in THR. A revision-risk study of 148,359 primary operations, Proceedings of AAOS, 1998

One year ago this was open to the web to download. Now they are not available anymore, but I have saved the PDF. I attached the PDF to this email for you. ("Ref 3")

- Reference Nr 20:

20 DePuy Johnson&Johnson company. “DePuy CMW Orthopaedic Gentamicin Bone Cements”, instruction for use, 2008

The same as explained above. I downloaded the file in 2015, which is now not able to download anymore, but I have the PDF and the original instruction for use. I also attached the PDF to this email. ("Ref 20")

- Reference Nr 21:

21 Heraeus-Medical GmbH. Palacos fast R + G, instruction for use, version 06605, 2015

This instruction for use cannot be downloaded from the web yet. But I also have the original instruction for use from the bone cement itself and the PDF which I requested from Heraeus-Medical GmbH. I can also attach the PDF to this email ("Ref 21").

- Reference Nr 37:

37 **Webb JCJ**. The effects of antibiotic combinations on bone cement properties. MD Thesis, University of Bristol. 2010

This reference is my colleague Dr Jason Webb's medical thesis. He is one of the authors of this manuscript. This medical thesis cannot be accessed from the internet, but it is widely known in the medical field and available in paper at the University of Bristol. So I cannot offer the website. I hope you understand.

Thank you very much!

Best regards,

Dr. Neil Caraan