

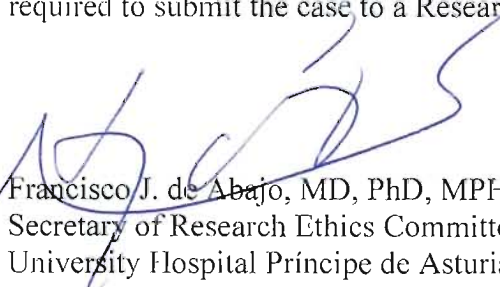
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Research Ethics Committee (REC) from the University Hospital Principe de Asturias received the request to give their opinion on the paper entitled: "HEMOLYTIC UREMIC SYNDROME IN ADULTS: A CASE REPORT." by Fabiel Gerardo Pérez Cruz, Patricia Villa Díaz, María-Consuelo Pintado Delgado, María Loreto Fernández Rodríguez, Ana Blasco Martínez, María Pérez Fernández, which has been submitted for publication.

Taking into account that the case report aims to collect information from the usual clinical practice in an adult patient with thrombotic microangiopathy associated to infectious diarrhoea caused by Shiga toxin-producing pathogen, with a review of pathogenesis and management of this diseases, I have informed the authors that, according to the Spanish Law, Research Ethics Committees do not assess routine clinical practice, nor case reports derived from it, only clinical research projects involving human subjects (including samples / clinical records from human subjects).

Therefore, I hereby confirm that the authors of the case report above were not legally required to submit the case to a Research Ethics Committee for its ethical assessment.



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