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September 22, 2016

Alexander Kirichenko, MD, PhD  
Department of Radiation Oncology

RE: **RC-6246 "Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy in Hepatocellular Carcinoma"**

Dear Dr. Kirichenko:

The ASRI-WPAHS Institutional Review Board (IRB) is in receipt of the above-referenced protocol. The IRB has reviewed the information and has determined that the above-referenced protocol is **approved** "with a waiver of informed consent" and a "waiver of HIPAA authorization".

This protocol has been reviewed via the "expedited review" process (Category #5) and approved in accordance with Institutional, Federal and State regulations by the IRB. It is the responsibility of the investigator to obtain any other necessary approvals prior to implementation of the research (AGH and/or ASRI). Your approved protocol will be subject to review within one year from the date of initial review by the IRB.

**Approved:**

**September 22, 2016**

**Approval Period Expires:**

**September 21, 2017**

Attached is a *Research Disclosure Log of Protected Healthcare Information* to be used to track anytime a disclosure is made about any of the subjects. Please be aware of the record keeping responsibilities involved in your protocol. A copy of the *Principal Investigator Responsibilities* is also attached for your use.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Farrel Buchinsky".

Farrel Buchinsky, MD  
Vice-Chairman  
Institutional Review Board

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