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To whom it may concern,

Regarding the manuscript submission “ Hospital admissions from alcohol-related acute pancreatitis during the COVID-19 pandemic: a single-centre study.” for the attention of World Journal of Clinical Cases.

I have attached above the new word file for the manuscript and the approval email from our local audit department. (There was no official approval certificate)

The following were required during the submission process:

- Institutional review board approval form or document

This study was registered and approved by the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust Governance Board – reference number **20-4628**.

All data were fully anonymized at the time of collection and therefore individual informed consent was not required.

I hope this will be sufficient evidence for the following. Please do not hesitate to contact me for further details if required.

Yours sincerely,

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