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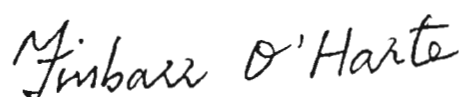
Dear Sir

**Re: World Journal of Diabetes: Institutional Review Board/Institutional Animal Care/Use Committee Statements**

I am writing in capacity of Chairman of the Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body (AWERB) at Ulster University.

I confirm that experiments described in the article by Green AD, Vasu S, McClenaghan NH and Platt PR entitles 'Cell therapy using human insulin-releasing 1.1B4 cells configured as pseudoislets provides stable blood glucose control in streptozotocin diabetic SCID mice' were fully approved by Ulster University AWERB

I can also confirm that this work has been approved under the UK Animal (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 by the Northern Ireland Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety which issued the project license 2691 (Hormonal and Metabolic Studies) in which this work was undertaken.



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