



METROWEST MEDICAL CENTER

Framingham Union Hospital • Leonard Morse Hospital

June 11, 2020

Jeffrey Scott, MD
Saint Vincent Medical Center
123 Summer Street
Worcester, MA 01608

Re: IRB# 2020-072: Do COVID Positive Medical Inpatients on Aspirin Have a Lower Rate of Progression to ICU?

Jurisdiction: Medical Records from Saint Vincent Medical Center, 123 Summer Street, Worcester, MA 01608

Dates: 01/01/2020 to 04/31/2020

Dear Dr. Scott:

This is to inform you that on June 11, 2020 MetroWest Medical Center Institutional Review Board (IRB), via Expedited Review by the IRB Chair, has approved the above-referenced research protocol and the participation of the above-referenced investigative site in the research. Your study number is 2020-072. Please be sure to reference this number and the name of the principal investigator in any correspondence with MetroWest Medical Center IRB.

The following items were in your submission of June 11, 2020:

- Chart Review Site Submission form
- Chart Review Protocol form
- Study Protocol
- Completed Chart review protocol form
- HIPAA Waiver of Authorization
- CVs, Medical Licenses and Evidence of Human Subject Protection training for Jeffrey Scott, MD, Padmastuti Akella, MD, Nirmal Basula, MD, Maya Gotay, MD

Specifically your request was approved as "expedited review" under the following category:

- Secondary research uses of identifiable private information or identifiable biospecimens that are not exempt under §__.104(d)(4) because (a) the identifiable private information or identifiable biospecimens are not publicly available; (b) information, which may include information about biospecimens, is recorded by the investigator in such a manner that the identity of human subjects can be readily ascertained directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects, or the investigator intends to contact the subjects or will re-identify subjects; (c) research use of identifiable health information not regulated under 45 CFR parts 160 and 164, subparts A and E.

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Continued approval is conditional upon your compliance with the following requirements:

- The following must be promptly reported to the IRB: changes to the study site, and all unanticipated problems that may involve risks or affect the safety or welfare of subjects or others, or that may affect the integrity of the research.
- Approval is valid for enrollment of the number of subjects indicated on your submission form.
- All protocol amendments and changes to approved research must be submitted to the IRB and not be implemented until approved by the IRB except where necessary to eliminate apparent immediate hazards to the study subjects.
- Compliance with all federal and state laws pertaining to this research, and with MetroWest Medical Center IRB's SOPs
- A waiver of consent was approved in accordance with 45 CFR 46.116(e) 1.
- All publications and communications related to this research are subject to Tenet Policy AD 2.16 related to the substantiation of all data/claims with reliable scientific evidence

Additionally, a HIPAA Waiver of Authorization has been approved as it relates to the conduct of the above named study.

Please call me if you have any questions about the terms of this determination at 508-383-8786 or e-mail me at mary.oster@mwmc.com.

Sincerely,

Mary Oster
IRB Administrator



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September 14, 2021

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Dear Dr. Scott:

This is to inform you that MetroWest Medical Center Institutional Review Board (IRB), via Expedited Review, by the IRB Chair has approved your submission on September 14, 2021.

The following items were included in this e-mail submission of September 13, 2021:

- Change to Investigative Site or Research Staff form
- CV and medical license for Yuvaraj Singh, MD

The approval to add Yuvaraj Singh, MD as Sub-Investigator is granted for the remainder of the approval period.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please feel free to contact me at mary.oster@mwmc.com or 508-383-8786.

Sincerely,

Mary Oster
IRB Administrator
Copy: MetroWest IRB Chair