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To whom it may concern,

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**Title of Study:** Imaging plaque inflammation in asymptomatic cocaine addicted individuals with simultaneous PET/MR Imaging.

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This letter is to state that as investigators at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai we are not allowed, by our Institutional Review Board, to share any Protected Health Information with anyone who is not directly involved in the current research. Therefore, we cannot send signed informed consent forms with this submission. We attest that all participants in the study cohort have signed an informed consent formed as required by the Mount Sinai Institutional Review Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Keren Bachi".

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