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To Whom It May Concern

Title of study: Rotator cuff repair with a polypropylene interposition mesh – a biomechanical ovine study

The study involved the use of animals bought from a local abattoir meant for human food consumption. The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) approval is not required for our study as the animal is primarily slaughtered for food and we are purchasing what is available from the already dead animal without causing additional pain or distress.

No ethics approval from our institutional board review was required as no human subjects were involved in the study.

Thank you

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