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Dear Professor Rutty

Study title: Less Invasive Autopsy: A study to evaluate and compare the use of Computerized Axial Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging with conventional autopsy.
REC reference: 04/Q2501/64
Amendment number: 2
Amendment date: 05 October 2009

The above amendment was reviewed by the Sub-Committee in correspondence.

Ethical opinion

The Committee are happy to approve the amendment as submitted. However, as the study has been running for several years they recommend that the participant information sheet is updated, in particular the 'What if my relative comes to harm?' section. This is a recommendation and not a requirement of approval. The Vice Chair, Dr Jonathan Barratt, has offered to advice on appropriate rewording if you wish.] x

The members of the Committee taking part in the review gave a favourable ethical opinion of the amendment on the basis described in the notice of amendment form and supporting documentation.

Approved documents

The documents reviewed and approved at the meeting were:

Document	Version	Date
Notice of Substantial Amendment (non-CTIMPs)	2	05 October 2009
Covering Letter		05 October 2009
Histology Request Form	1	19 September 2009
Histology Tissue Sampling Guide	1	19 September 2009
Histology Tissue Retention Sheet	1	19 September 2009
Flow Chart of study process and personnel	1	19 September 2009

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Participant Consent Form	2	01 September 2009
Participant Information Sheet	2	01 September 2009

Membership of the Committee

The members of the Committee who took part in the review are listed on the attached sheet.

R&D approval

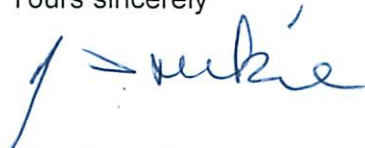
All investigators and research collaborators in the NHS should notify the R&D office for the relevant NHS care organisation of this amendment and check whether it affects R&D approval of the research.

Statement of compliance

The Committee is constituted in accordance with the Governance Arrangements for Research Ethics Committees (July 2001) and complies fully with the Standard Operating Procedures for Research Ethics Committees in the UK.

04/Q2501/64:	Please quote this number on all correspondence
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Yours sincerely



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Enclosures: List of names and professions of members who took part in the review

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Attendance at Sub-Committee of the REC meeting on 27 October 2009

<i>Name</i>	<i>Profession</i>	<i>Capacity</i>
Dr Jonathan Barratt	Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant Nephrologist	Expert
Dr Carl Edwards	Director	Lay

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