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Dear Prof. Pitzalis

**Study title:** Lymphoid Neogenesis In Rheumatoid Arthritis: The histomorphological pattern of the synovial membrane (SM) predicts disease outcome.  
**REC reference:** 05/Q0703/198  
**Amendment number:** Amendment 2  
**Amendment date:** 11 September 2009

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

**Ethical opinion**

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
Grant details		22 May 2009
Participant Consent Form	Version 6	11 September 2009
Participant Information Sheet	Version 6	11 September 2009
Protocol	Version 2	11 September 2009
Notice of Substantial Amendment (non-CTIMPs)	Amendment 2	11 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.

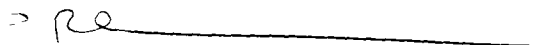
### **Statement of compliance**

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.

**05/Q0703/198:**

**Please quote this number on all correspondence**

Yours sincerely



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<b>David Rushton</b>	<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Lay Member</b>