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13th March 2023

Dr Defne Saatci
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Dear Dr Saatci

Reference	OX123
Title	The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the diagnosis of childhood, teenage and young adult cancers
Chief Investigator(s)	Dr Defne Saatci
Date Amendment requested	15.02.2023
Date Amendment approved	13.03.2023
Approval granted until	13.03.2024
Special conditions of approval	None

Thank you for submitting your amendment application to QResearch.

Scientific Opinion

The members of the committee taking part in the review gave a favourable scientific opinion of the application for an amendment on the basis of the amendment application form and lay summary submitted to QResearch. The committee is satisfied that the research is appropriately designed in relation to its objectives and is likely to add something useful to existing knowledge in accordance with section 4.1.2 of the ethical conditions for QResearch. <https://www.qresearch.org/media/1155/257790-18em0400-qresearch-conditions-of-ethical-approval-27122018.pdf>

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Data Access

Subject to funding and relevant Data Sharing Agreements, the dataset requested will be provided to you.

Approved documents

The documents reviewed were

Document	version	Date
Amendment Application Form		15.02.2023

The Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences is part of the NIHR School for

Primary Care Research. Head of Department: Professor Richard Hobbs FRCGP FRCP FESC FMedSci



Lay Summary		25.08.2020
Data Specification		25.08.2020

Reviewing Members of the Committee

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

Annual Review and research outputs

We will contact you annually for an update on progress with your research.

Amendments and changes in responsibility

Any changes to the protocol or responsibility of the applicants for the conduct of the research should be notified to QResearch@phc.ox.ac.uk



Dr Paula Dhiman
Chair of QResearch Scientific Committee

Enclosures:

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

Copy to: Prof Julia Hippisley-Cox, Chief Investigator of QResearch.

Reviewing Members of the Committee

Name	Profession
Dr Paula Dhiman	Senior Researcher in Medical Statistics

QResearch Application Amendment Form

Project Information

Project Reference ID	OX123
Project Title	The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the diagnosis of childhood, teenage and young adult cancers
Chief Investigator:	Dr Defne Saatci

Amendment Information

Amendment number	2
Date amendment requested	15.02.2023
Details of requested amendment	<p>In 2021, a request was made to extend the study population to August 2021 in order to explore the impact of the subsequent waves of the pandemic on childhood, teenage and young adult cancer diagnostic pathways. The first application looked at only the first wave of the pandemic and demonstrated a decrease in cancer diagnoses in this age group. Our results were published in February 2022.</p> <p>The data extraction was ready to be carried out from the 1st amendment request in January 2023, however, we noticed that the deadline for the amendment request had passed (December 2022).</p> <p>I am re-requesting an extension to the study population to the latest available date, which is now August 2022. This will allow us to also explore the impact of not only the pandemic waves but also the complete removal of lockdowns.</p>