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QResearch Scientific Committee

Minutes

(13:00-14:30, 8th March 2021, Teams)

Attending: Julia Hippisley-Cox, Stavros Petrou (vice-chair), Paul Aveyard, Paula Dhiman, Madhurima Bhadra, Franco De Crescenzo, Jennifer Camaradou, Hui Guo, Koen Pouwels, Polly Kerr, Tom Ranger, Rebekah Burrow, Claire Meadows (minutes)

Apologies: Rebecca Harmston, Clare Bankhead, Mike Walton

Chair: Rafael Perera

1	Welcome RP welcomed new team members and noted apologies	
2	Minutes and actions from last meeting Minutes approved as the official record of this meeting.	
3	Matters arising from last minutes CM still to collate responses to meeting date change.	CM
4	Declaration of conflicts of interest PD noted a COI on application OX37 and will step out when appropriate.	
5	Applications for discussion: OX37 – The Integration and Analysis of Data using Artificial Intelligence to Improve Patient Outcomes with Thoracic Diseases (DART) JHC and PD stepped out. Reviewers overall happy, though sought to know what level of detail is required in application on validation and bootstrapping. PD will send references to HG and FDC on papers which may be helpful. RP stated that splitting randomly was not appropriate – approve (with clarification on sample splitting) HG needs to submit a reviewer form to RB	PD HG

	<p>OX94 - Development and validation of a risk assessment tool to improve early detection of childhood, adolescent and young adult cancer</p> <p>JHC stepped out. Reviewer happy with the application after having a meeting with the applicant to review points from initial review. Approve.</p> <p>OX136 – Exploring the long-term complications associated with childhood, adolescent and young adult survivors of cancer</p> <p>JHC stepped out. Reviewer happy with changes made. Happy to approve.</p>	
6	<p>Fast-track applications:</p> <p>OX107 - Evaluation of the safety, uptake and effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines</p> <p>JHC called back in. Approved</p> <p>Amendment applications:</p> <p>OX90 - Amendment request - Economic costs associated with miscarriage: A secondary analysis of QResearch</p> <p>Approved</p>	
7	<p>Feedback since last meeting</p> <p>JHC informed group that papers from all projects are being added to the QResearch publications page.</p>	
8	<p>Process clarifications, questions and discussions</p> <p>RB explained to the group that the Confidentiality Agreement for group members to sign is almost ready. She will forward to all members for signing once it is.</p>	
9	<p>Training available:</p> <p>Statistics - Friday 19th March at 11am. PK will forward link to the group.</p>	PK
10	<p>AOB & date of next meeting</p> <p>6th April 2021 10:30-12:00</p>	

Action	Owner	Notes
CM still to collate responses to meeting date change.	CM	
PD will send references to HG and FDC on papers which may be helpful on bootstrapping.	PD	
HG needs to submit a reviewer form to RB on OX37	HG	
PK will forward link to the statistics training session to the group.	PK	