

East Midlands - Derby Research Ethics Committee

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23 October 2025

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Dear Professor Hippisley-Cox

Title of the Database:	QResearch-Oxford Data Linkage Project
REC reference:	23/EM/0166
Amendment number:	QMUL 14
Amendment date:	03 October 2025
IRAS project ID:	329187

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:

<i>Document</i>	<i>Version</i>	<i>Date</i>
Covering letter on headed paper [QResearch cover letter]	1	09 October 2025
Notice of Amendment (RD) [IRAS amendment]	1	09 October 2025
Other [QResearch data flows]	1	03 October 2025
Other [QResearch Data Privacy Impact Assessment]	1	03 October 2025
Participant information sheet (PIS) [QResearch Information for Patients Clean]	4.1	22 October 2025
Participant information sheet (PIS) [QResearch Information for Patients Track]	4.1	22 October 2025
Participant information sheet (PIS) [QResearch Information for Practices Clean]	4.1	22 October 2025

Participant information sheet (PIS) [QResearch Information for Practices Track]	4.1	22 October 2025
Protocol for management of the database [QResearch protocol - clean]	14	03 October 2025
Protocol for management of the database [QResearch protocol - track]	14	03 October 2025

Membership of the Committee

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

Amendments related to COVID-19

We will update your research summary for the above study on the research summaries section of our website. During this public health emergency, it is vital that everyone can promptly identify all relevant research related to COVID-19 that is taking place globally. If you have not already done so, please register your study on a public registry as soon as possible and provide the HRA with the registration detail, which will be posted alongside other information relating to your project.

Statement of compliance

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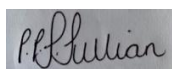
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Please quote this number on all correspondence

Yours sincerely



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Enclosures:

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

Copy to:

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Attendance at Sub-Committee of the REC meeting on 23 October 2025

Committee Members:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Profession</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Dr Ronald Jubb	Retired Consultant Rheumatologist	Yes	
Ms Margret Vince (chair)	Translator	Yes	

Also in attendance:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position (or reason for attending)</i>
Susan Sullivan	Approvals Administrator