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Dear Dr D'Souza,

Protocol No: HREC-A 140/11

'An international pilot study of an internet-based platform to run epilepsy trials.'

St. Vincent's Hospital
(Melbourne) Limited
Incorporating:
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St. George's Health Service
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The St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne) Human Research Ethics Committee-A (HREC-A) has agreed that your latest correspondence received 3 December 2010, has satisfied the conditions imposed and granted full approval for this project to be undertaken at the following site/s:

1. St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne)

HREC-A is constituted and operates in accordance with the NHMRC National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (2007).

HREC-A has a policy of granting approval for four years. Ethical approval is valid for four years from the date of this letter. Approval may be renewed at the end of this period by resubmission to HREC-A.

NOTE: Please submit copies of approval letters from ethical bodies for overseas sites to the Research Governance Unit.

Approval is subject to:

1. Registration of the project on a clinical trial register before the first patient is enrolled (only applies if the project is a clinical trial requiring registration);
2. Immediate notification to HREC-A and sponsor of any serious adverse effects on participants;



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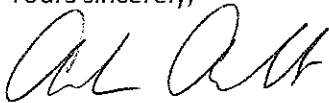
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3. Immediate notification of any unforeseen events that may affect the continuing ethical acceptability of the project;
4. Notification and reasons for ceasing the project prior to its expected date of completion;
5. The completion of an annual report on progress of the project;
6. HREC-A approval of any proposed modification to the project; and
7. The submission of a final report and papers published on completion of the project.

This approval is for the following Participant Information and Consent Form/s (PICF/s):

- STV Participant Information and Consent Form version 2 dated 2 December 2010

Yours sincerely,



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