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Dear Dr Hilson,

Title: Prevention of Respiratory Insufficiency after Surgical Management (PRISM)

Trial: A pragmatic randomised controlled trial of continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) to prevent respiratory complications and improve survival following major abdominal surgery

Re: REC Ref: 15/LO/1595 IRAS Project ID: 183040

We would be grateful if you would consider the attached substantial amendment to our ethics approval, which relates to protocol changes only.

Please find attached:

- 1. Trial protocol with tracked changes version 1.5, 01 March 2016
- 2. Trial protocol version 1.5, 01 March 2016, clean copy
- 3. Summary of protocol changes version 1.5, 01 March 2016
- 4. Notice of substantial amendment form, dated 7th March 2016

Yours sincerely,

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