



Our Ref: 2023/ET001136

Tuesday, 18 June, 2024

Professor Leon Adams
UWA Medical School

Dear Professor Adams

HUMAN RESEARCH ETHICS APPLICATION APPROVAL – THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Identifying Advanced Liver Fibrosis in Primary Care

Ethics approval for the above project has been granted in accordance with the requirements of the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research (National Statement) and the policies and procedures of The University of Western Australia. Please note that the period of ethics approval for this project is five (5) years from the date of this notification. However, ethics approval is conditional upon the submission of satisfactory milestone reports by the designated renewal date. Therefore, initial approval has been granted from 18 Jun 2024 for 12 months.

You are reminded of the following requirements:

1. The application and all supporting documentation form the basis of the ethics approval and you must not depart from the research project that has been approved.
2. The Human Ethics office must be approached for approval in advance for any requested amendments to the approved research project.
3. The Chief Investigator is required to report immediately to the Human Ethics office any adverse or unexpected event or any other event that may impact on the ethics approval for the project.
4. The Chief Investigator must submit a final report upon project completion, even if a research project is discontinued before the anticipated date of completion.
5. The [UWA Research Integrity Policy](#) requires researchers to store data in the UWA Institutional Research Data Store (IRDS) or equivalent University approved Research data store. A list of UWA approved storage and the level of data sensitivity each storage system can contain is described in the Research Data Management Toolkit under [Storage and Retention](#). If the research involves children or a clinical trial, the research would be classified as "Highly Restricted". For more information on data classification, see the [Ethics and Compliance](#) tab of the Research Data Management Toolkit.
6. WA Universities Data Storage and Disposal Authority (WAUSDA) requires data to be retained for research with outcomes that are classed as minor for 7 years after date of publication, or 7 years after conclusion of the project, whichever is later, then destroyed (WAUSDA 12.4.5). For research involving clinical trials, and for projects involving children there are additional requirements (WAUSDA 12.4.3) and WAUSDA 12.4.4 respectively)

Any conditions of ethics approval that have been imposed are listed below:

1. None

The University of Western Australia is bound by the National Statement to monitor the progress of all approved projects until completion to ensure continued compliance with ethical principles.

The Human Ethics office will forward a request for a Progress Report approximately 30 days before the due date.

If you have any queries please contact the Human Ethics office at humanethics@uwa.edu.au. Please ensure that you quote the file reference – 2023/ET001136 – and the associated project title in all future correspondence.

Yours sincerely



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