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Dear

RE Project

Attached is a copy of a letter addressed to me dated xxxx, which outlines certain matters found in an audit of the above research project conducted by xxxx.

The contents of that letter were considered by the Alfred Hospital Ethics Committee (the Committee) on xxxxxx, in full meeting.

The matters contained within that letter were of considerable concern to the Committee. Furthermore, the Committee considered that urgent action was warranted, given the matters identified as a result of the audit.

Accordingly, the Committee decided that all research involving the acute arm of the study be suspended immediately (the chronic arm can continue). Please urgently advise the relevant persons of the suspension.

Finally, please provide a copy to Dr xxx of this letter and the attached audit letter sent on date by xxxx to me. We hereby request a written response, from Dr xxxxx and Professor as his supervisor, to the audit letter, so that the Committee may inform itself of what further steps, if any, it may take. Such steps could include withdrawal of the suspension or withdrawal of ethical approval to conduct the study.

Yours sincerely

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