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Dr. A.W. Kirkpatrick  
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Dear Dr. Kirkpatrick:

**RE: Peritoneal vacuum therapy to reduce the systemic inflammatory insult from intra-peritoneal sepsis/injury/hypertension: a randomized comparison of baseline wall suction versus the KCI AbThera Abdominal Dressing.**

Ethics ID: E-23706

Student: Dr. Jean-Francois Ouelette, Dr. Paul McBeth

The above-noted proposal including the Consent Form (version 2.3, February 3, 2011), Protocol, Funding Confirmation Letter (eFin, January 12, 2011; Dr. Kubes, May 12, 2010; Derrice Knight, January 27, 2011) has been submitted for Board review and found to be ethically acceptable.

Please note that this approval is subject to the following conditions:

- (1) appropriate procedures for consent for access to identified health information have been approved;
- (2) a copy of the informed consent form must have been given to each research subject, if required for this study;
- (3) a Progress Report must be submitted by **March 17, 2012**, containing the following information:
  - i) the number of subjects recruited;
  - ii) a description of any protocol modification;
  - iii) any unusual and/or severe complications, adverse events or unanticipated problems involving risks to subjects or others, withdrawal of subjects from the research, or complaints about the research;
  - iv) a summary of any recent literature, finding, or other relevant information, especially information about risks associated with the research;
  - v) a copy of the current informed consent form;
  - vi) the expected date of termination of this project.
- 4) a Final Report must be submitted at the termination of the project.

Please note that you have been named as the principal collaborator on this study because students are not permitted to serve as principal investigators. Please accept the Board's best wishes for success in your research.  
Yours sincerely,

  
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Chair, Conjoint Health Research Ethics Board

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