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Dear Editor,

We would like to submit a revised manuscript entitled “A RETROSPECTIVE STUDY OF CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM SHUNT INFECTIONS DIAGNOSED IN A UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL DURING A 4-YEAR PERIOD” for possible publication in BMC Infectious Diseases.

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Ethics - Experimental research that is reported in the manuscript must have been performed with the approval of an appropriate ethics committee. Research carried out on humans must be in compliance with the Helsinki Declaration (http://www.wma.net/e/policy/b3.htm), and any experimental research on animals must follow internationally recognized guidelines. A statement to this effect must appear in the Methods section of the manuscript, including the name of the body which gave approval, with a reference number where appropriate. Informed consent must also be documented.

Answer:
The study protocol was approved by the Pamukkale University Research Ethics Committee, Denizli, Turkey, and it complied with the principles outlined in the Helsinki Declaration [7]. Written informed consent was obtained from each patient or a legally designated representative.

The only spoken language in our hospital is Turkish language. So, the informed consents are in Turkish. If it is necessary we can send them by fax. Thank you very much for your kind support.
With best wishes:

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