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The manuscript “Continuous positive airway pressure in bronchiolitis; a safe and effective treatment in ordinary paediatric wards” was submitted for eventual publication in BMC Pediatrics July 15th 2013. We have received an e-mail regarding the ethical issue, and have accordingly contacted the Regional Ethical Committee.

According to Norwegian law, this project is not subject to review by the Ethical Committee, and we have received a statement from the Committee about this. The reason is that we only evaluate the outcomes of an established clinical procedure. We have changed one paragraph to state that the regional ethical committee was consulted and waived the need for approval. We have further resubmitted the manuscript in the manuscript central, and hope the changes are satisfactory for an initial assessment to be proceeded.

The manuscript is not considered for publication elsewhere. CPAP in bronchiolitis is a topic of interest for paediatricians and respiratory physicians, as bronchiolitis is a very common reason for hospitalization in paediatric wards as well as in paediatric intensive care units.

Best regards

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