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1. Our research is conformed to the Helsinki Declaration and to local legislation. We added this information to materials and methods.

2. Our research was approved by the Animal Care and Use Review Committee of the Russian State Medical University, Moscow, Russia. We added this information to the text.

3. There were no patients included in our study.

4. We obtained ethical approval from a Russian Institution since surgery was performed by myself at the Joint Institute for Surgical Research of the Russian State Medical University, Moscow, Russia, which is a cooperation Institute of our University (Department of Surgery, RWTH Aachen, Germany, University hospital). Designing of the Sensor, evaluation of measurements and preparing the paper was performed in Aachen, Germany.