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Dear Ms Roselyn Remoto

We have on previous revision clearly indicated and documented the issue of ethical approval for this study. For the use of monocytes from healthy blood donors, it is clearly stated in the article line numbers 129-132. The buffy coats were used with patient consent and in accordance with Swedish biobank laws. Beside, the study is approved by the Ethics Committee which is also stated clearly in the manuscript text line numbers 200-201 and with a clear Reference number (2010 / 311-31).

I would be grateful for you feedback soon if this issue should be addressed in another way than that stated directly in the manuscript. I have not re-vised the manuscript as statement documenting ethical approval are already available in the manuscript.

Best regard

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