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Dear Professor Dickens

We would like to thank you for your considering our manuscript and hope that we have now addressed the additional requirements laid out for submission to BMC Endocrinology. We outline the responses below:

1. Ethical and Funding Approval Documentation

The following documents are attached and send as email to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com

   (1) MRHA approval

   (2) HRA approval

   (3) Local NHS trust approval and

   (4) Clinical trials agreement

2. Funding

This trial is sponsored by Prometic BioSciences Inc., 440 Boul. Armand-Frappier, Suite 300, Laval, Quebec H7V 4B4 Canada. This has been documented in the section on competing interests. We can confirm that the protocol was developed in conjunction with the funding body (Prometic Biosciences) and study protocol has undergone review by the funding body.

3. In accordance with BioMed Central editorial policies, please ensure your manuscript reporting adheres to SPIRIT guidelines for reporting study protocols

The SPIRIT checklist has been completed and is attached.
4. Study status

The study is ongoing.

5. Please remove any figure titles and captions from the figure files as these files should contain the image graphics only. Upon doing this, please place the titles/captions at the end of the main manuscript after the References section under a newly created “Figure legend” heading.

The figures and tables have been formatted as per these recommendations.

6. Please add a “Supplementary files” section where you list the following information about your supplementary material:

A Supplementary Files section has been added as requested.

We hope that these changes meet the approval of the Editor,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr Shanat Baig