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## To whom it may concern

Sponsor Reference:

## Role of the Research Sponsor under the Research Governance Framework for Health & Social Care and the Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) Regulations 2004 (SI2004/1031)

I hereby confirm that the University of Manchester would be prepared to accept the role of research sponsor as currently defined in the *Research Governance Framework* for Health & Social Care Version 2 (DoH 2005) and the Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) Regulations 2004 (SI2004/1031), in relation to the study:

## "British Association of Dermatologists Biological Interventions Register"

I have been informed that this study will be led **Professor Chris Griffiths** of The University of Manchester.

Sponsorship is conditional upon review and approval of the research by appropriate ethics, NHS and regulatory bodies.

To enable the sponsor to meet their responsibilities as listed in section 3.8 of the Research Governance Framework, Chief Investigators are asked to adhere to the responsibilities as outlined in section 3.6 of the Framework <u>www.dh.gov.uk/research</u>. In line with this requirement **Professor Chris Griffiths** must ensure that all involved in the research project understand and discharge their responsibilities in accordance with the agreed protocol and any relevant management, ethical and regulatory approvals.

Chief Investigators are also reminded that they must register LREC or MREC approval with The University of Manchester Research Ethics Office.

If you have any queries about sponsorship of this project then please address them to Richard Sherburn Tel: 0161 2755436 <u>Richard.Sherburn@manchester.ac.uk</u>

Yours Faithfully,

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