Dr. Udaya Ranawaka Honorary Secretary Sri Lanka Clinical Trials Registry Committee Dear Sir

Re: Sri Lanka Clinical Trials Registry- Trial Registration No: SLCTR/2008/008

Efficacy of low dose Rituximab with methotrexate compared to leflunomide with methotrexate in patients with refractory rheumatoid arthritis:

A randomized double blind controlled clinical trial

Current state of the trial?

- We have completed trial endpoints at six months and one year. The trial was double blinded up to one year after this the trial was open.
- Number of trial participants
 - Initial number n=40
 - Six months completed n=39
 - One year completed n= 35
 - 17 participants have already completed the 2nd year, rest of participants (17) will be completing the 2nd year within the next 3 months. Thus n=34 should complete two years.
- Abstract at six months-given below.
- Any publications- We have finished writing up the six month data for submission.

Regards,

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