DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES





Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring MD 20993

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Dear Petitioner:

Your petition to the Commissioner of Food and Drug Administration requesting the FDA amend the study design for the Phase III trial of ChAdOx1nCoV-19 (NCT04400838) to ensure that:

- **a.** the control group will receive a placebo (saline injection);
- **b.** any and all adverse events and reactions will be documented for the entire duration of the trial;
- **c.** such documenting of adverse events and reactions shall last at least twelve months for adults, thirty-six months for children, and sixty months for infants and toddlers;
- **d.** it uses an adequate sample size, appropriately powered, in order to (i) detect an increase in rare adverse events or any untoward medical occurrence, whether or not considered vaccine related, and (ii) determine that the rate of adverse events from the vaccine will not exceed the rate of adverse events known to occur from SARS-CoV-2 in the group under review;
- e. participants are tested for T-cell reactivity to SARS-CoV-2 pre-vaccination and post-accination; and
- **f.** germline transmission tests are conducted for male participants.

Your submission was received by this office on 08/17/2020 and it was assigned docket number FDA-2020-P-1768. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter and in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

Dynna Bigby Supervisory Administrative Proceedings Officer Dockets Management Staff FDA/Office of Operations (OO)