1. Remco, can you update your email address within CITI to match the email address in Tufts’ HR feed? The feeds from CITI and HR are matched up in eIRB to make your training records available in the system, and your records are not populating. The HR feed lists your email address as [Remco.Chang@tufts.edu](mailto:Remco.Chang@tufts.edu).
2. Can you please remove Dylan Cashman as the PI Proxy? Students are not eligible to serve as PI Proxies because they are in positions of learning and require faculty advisor oversight. The PI proxy must be someone who would otherwise qualify to be the PI of the study on their own.
3. Local Research Locations:
   1. *“Sites” are essentially institutions that are engaged in conducting the research that our IRB will oversee. In this case, there is 1 site: Tufts University. The number of subjects expected to enroll at Tufts sites is all of the participants you will enroll in this study. Can you update this to match the sample size you quote in the protocol? An upper limit is great!*
   2. *“Locations” are the places where the research will take place. From the description in the protocol, the locations of the research in this study are 1) Tufts School of Engineering and 2) Online participation – Reddit and Tufts App (not sure if it has a name you could input here and in the protocol?). Can you add in the online component as a location? You can write in the information using the second option, rather than searching for the location.*
4. Protocol:
   1. There are a few revisions to make to the protocol to provide more specific information about how the consent and surveys will be administered. Please provide the platform that will be used and links. Tufts Information Security strongly prefers the use of Qualtrics for surveys.
   2. Please provide additional information about the web app used in the study, including a link to the app programmed for this study. Has the Web App been evaluated by Tufts Information Security? If not, please contact them for
   3. In the last year, the University has established standards for complying with the European Economic Area (EEA) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Because the Reddit forum has a potentially global audience, it’s possible that people within the EEA could access the survey and web app, which makes the data collected subject to GDPR. There are a few options for dealing with this in your study:
5. *Submit the* [*GDPR questionnaire*](file:///C:\Users\ahicks02\Desktop\eIRB\Tufts%20University%20GDPR%20Research%20Questionnaire) *and complete the GDPR ancillary review process; OR*
6. *Eliminate the collection of any identifiers throughout the study. (Please note: The standard for anonymity is such that the data collected could not be re-identified by anyone, regardless of access to information that could be cross-checked from other sources, or even by the participant themselves.)*
   1. *The use of cookies is considered collection of identifiable data under GDPR because of the use IP addresses. You would need to eliminate the use of cookies to make participation anonymous.*
   2. *If you use Qualtrics for the consent/survey, make sure the survey is completely anonymous by following the anonymize responses steps in Qualtrics (or complete a similar process for the relevant survey platform):* [*https://www.qualtrics.com/support/survey-platform/survey-module/survey-options/survey-termination/#AnonymizingResponses*](https://www.qualtrics.com/support/survey-platform/survey-module/survey-options/survey-termination/#AnonymizingResponses)*.*
7. OR Revise the study to eliminate the possibility of responses from the EEA.
   1. *In Section 3 & 5, all recruitment material, and the consent form, please add the following eligibility criteria: to say that the study is not open to potential participants in the EEA, or is only open to people in the US/whatever other countries are applicable.*
   2. *Revise Section 6.0 to specify that you will use the GeoIP display logic in Qualtrics, or similar process on your survey platform, to block access to survey from anyone with an EEA IP address:* [*https://it.tufts.edu/guides/qualtrics-online-survey-tool/create-and-edit-project*](https://it.tufts.edu/guides/qualtrics-online-survey-tool/create-and-edit-project)*. Submit the re-coded surveys.*
   3. *Add a specific eligibility question at the end of the consent form to ask about their current location (this question will catch anyone who may be using VPN to hide their IP address). Something to the effect of:*

* *Are you currently in the European Economic Area? YES / NO  [if phrased this way, if they click YES, they should be exited from the survey]*
* *Are you currently in the United States? YES /NO  [if phrased this way, if they click NO, they should be exited from the survey]*

1. Recruitment:
   1. *The language in the recruitment text and purpose section of the consent document is fairly technical and may not be easily understood by a lay audience. Please consider revising.*
   2. *The recruitment language doesn’t contain all of the eligibility criteria for the study. Please review to include the requirement that participants are in the United States.*
2. App screenshots: Are these screenshots of the App as it will be seen by participants in this study? I’m not certain how the information represented on the screens applies to the baseball data and models. Can you send screenshots of the actual app that they will be asked to use?
3. Consent form and surveys: Please provide the link to these consent/survey and submit a download of the forms and surveys (and page with instructions that will link to the app?), as they will be seen by the participants. A WORD download is preferred, if that’s possible.
   1. eIRB is set up to work best with WORD – you can use the “update” function by the files to upload revised versions of the document, and eIRB will create a “tracked changes” version for you within the system by comparing the most recent document to the new one, using the “View Difference” button.
   2. If the consent, surveys, and web link page will be in one document together, please upload that into the consent section, named something to the effect of “consent and survey.”