



SEFAKO MAKGATHO  
HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

**Postgraduate Studies, Research Development, Integrity & Ethics  
Sefako Makgatho University Research Ethics Committee  
(SMUREC)**

**APPROVAL NOTICE - NEW APPLICATION**

21 July 2020

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**MEETING:** 03/2020  
**SMUREC Ethics Reference Number:** SMUREC/M/184/2020: IR

The new Application received was reviewed by members of Sefako Makgatho University Research Ethics Committee.

**Title:** The South African COVID-19 Surgical Outcomes Study  
**Principal Investigator:** Prof H Kluyts  
**Co-workers:** Prof B Biccard (Department of Anaesthesiology & Perioperative Medicine, University of Cape Town)  
Dr H Malherbe (Rare Diseases South Africa)  
**Department:** Anaesthesiology  
**School:** Medicine  
**Type of Research:** Independent Research  
**Approval Period:** 02 July 2020 – 02 July 2021

**After Ethical Review:** Kindly remember to use your protocol number **SMUREC/M/184/2020: IR** on any documents or correspondence concerning your research protocol with the REC. The REC has the prerogative and authority to ask further questions, seek additional information, require further modification, or monitor the conduct of your research and the consent process. A template of the progress report is obtainable from the Research Office and is due on an annual basis for your study irrespective of the approval period. Please note that a number of projects may be selected randomly for an external audit every year. Translation of the consent document in the language applicable to the study participants should be submitted if required.

**International Organisation (IORG0008691), Institutional Review Board (IRB000010386) Expiry date:** 07 December 2021, **Federal Wide Assurance (FWA000023943) Expiry date:** 03 March 2021 and **NHREC No: REC 210408-003**

Sincerely

**PROF C BAKER  
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