

## Additional File 1

### Study sites and affiliated ethics committee study approvals

Site Number	Site Type	Site Name and Address	Ethics Committee Name and Address	Ethics Committee Reference Number
1	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Practice Dr. Mross Ehrenfelsstrasse 47 10318 Berlin	LaGeSo Office of Ethics Committee of state Berlin Fehrbelliner Platz 1 10707 Berlin	No submission required (according to § 15 of professional code of conduct "Berufsordnung" of physician chamber Berlin, no submission of a non-interventional study to local EC is required, if a positive vote from another EC is available)
2	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Gastroenterology joint practice Herne Wiescherstr. 20 44623 Herne	Ethics Committee of physician chamber Westfalen-Lippe and of Medical department of Westfaelische Wilhelms-University Muenster Gartenstr. 210 - 214 48147 Muenster	2016-124-f-S (approved on May 12, 2016)
3	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Practice for Gastroenterology Burgstrasse 61 69121 Heidelberg	Ethics Committee at state physician chamber Baden-Wuerttemberg Jahnstraße 40 70597 Stuttgart	F-2016-024 (approved on April 26, 2016)
4	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Gastroenterology at Bayerischer Platz Innsbrucker Str. 58 10825 Berlin	LaGeSo Office of Ethics Committee of State Berlin Berlin Fehrbelliner Platz 1 10707 Berlin	No submission required (according to § 15 of professional code of conduct "Berufsordnung" of physician chamber Berlin, no submission of a non-interventional study to local EC is required, if a positive vote from another EC is available)
5	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Gastroenterology Opernstrasse Opernstrasse 9 34117 Kassel	Ethics Committee of State Physician Chamber Hessen Im Vogelsgesang 3 60488 Frankfurt	III/1/ewa MC 106/2016 (approved on June 09, 2016)
6	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Internistic joint practice Oldenburg Neue Donnerschweer Str. 30 26123 Oldenburg	Ethics Committee of Physician Chamber Niedersachsen Berliner Allee 20 30175 Hannover	Grae/097/2016 (approved on May 25, 2016)

7	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Gastro-Practice Wiesbaden  Langenbeckplatz 2 65189 Wiesbaden	Ethics Committee of state physician chamber Hessen  Im Vogelsgesang 3 60488 Frankfurt	III/1/ewa MC 106/2016 (approved on June 09, 2016)
8	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Practice Dr. med. B. Buendgens  Marienstrasse 47-51 52249 Eschweiler	Ethics Committee of Physician Chamber Nordrhein  Tersteegenstrasse 9 40474 Duesseldorf	2016098 (approved on May 23, 2016)
9	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	MVZ Dachau Center for Internal Medicine and for General Medicine  Muenchner Str. 64 85221 Dachau	Ethics Committee of Bavarian State Physician Chamber  Mühlbaurstrasse 16 81677 Munich	No submission required (according to § 15 of professional code of conduct "Berufsordnung" of state physician chamber Bavaria, no submission of a non-interventional study to local EC is required, if a positive vote from another EC is available)
10	University Hospital	University clinic Muenster Medizinische Klinik B  Albert-Schweitzer-Campus 1 48149 Münster	Ethics Committee of physician chamber Westfalen-Lippe and of Medical department of Westfaelische Wilhelms- University Muenster  Gartenstr. 210 - 214 48147 Muenster	2016-124-f-S (approved on May 24, 2016)
11	University Hospital	Clinic of University Munich Medical Clinic II, CED- Ambulance  Marchioninstr. 15 81377 Munich	Ethics Committee of Medical Department of Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich  Pettenkoferstr. 8 IV, Zi. I 4.07 — I 4.10 80336 Munich	333-16 (approved on June 06, 2016)
12	Office-Based Clinic (Private Practice)	Gastro Campus Research gBR An der Germania  Brauerei 6 48159 Muenster	Ethics Committee of physician chamber Westfalen-Lippe and of Medical department of Westfaelische Wilhelms- University Muenster  Gartenstr. 210 - 214 48147 Muenster	2016-124-f-S (approved on June 06, 2016)
13	Research Unit	Hamburgisches Forschungsinstitut fuer CED HaFCED e.K. second floor  Christoph-Probst-Weg 4 20251 Hamburg	Ethics Committee of Physician Chamber Hamburg  Weidestraße 122 b 22083 Hamburg	MC-176/16 (approved on June 22, 2016)

14	University Hospital	University Clinic Magdeburg A.oe.R. Clinic for Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Infectology  Leipziger Str. 44 39120 Magdeburg	Ethics Committee of Otto-von-Guericke- University at Medical Department and at University Clinic Magdeburg A. oe. R.  Leipziger Strasse 44 39120 Magdeburg	75/16 (approved on June 06, 2016)
15	University Hospital	Charite University Medicine Berlin Medical Clinic with focus on Gastroenterology and Hepatology  Augustenburger Platz 1 13353 Berlin	Ethics Committee of Medical Department of Charité University Medicine Berlin  Charitéplatz 1 10117 Berlin	No submission required (according to § 15 of professional code of conduct "Berufsordnung" of physician chamber Berlin, no submission of a non- interventional study to local EC is required, if a positive vote from another EC is available)