

Editors-in-Chief Statement Regarding Published Clinical Trials Conducted without IRB Approval by Joachim Boldt

March 12, 2011

To our readers:

Landesärztekammer Rheinland-Pfalz ("LÄK-RLP"), the State Medical Association of Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany serves as the Institutional Review Board (IRB) for clinical research at Klinikum Ludwigshafen, where Dr. Joachim Boldt's recent research was conducted. On February 25, 2011, LÄK-RLP provided the involved journals with the results of their evaluation of the status of IRB approval for research conducted by Dr. Boldt dating back to 1999. LÄK-RLP determined, to the best of its ability, the status of IRB approval for 102 articles published by Dr. Boldt.

Table 1 lists 88 articles for which LÄK-RLP was unable to verify IRB approval. Table 2 lists 12 articles for which LÄK-RLP was able to verify IRB approval. Table 3 lists 2 articles for which LÄK-RLP determined that IRB approval was not necessary.

The undersigned Editors-in-Chief of medical journals affected by these findings will retract the articles in our respective journals that are listed in table 1. Formal retraction notices will appear in each journal.

The retraction of the articles in Table 1 for lack of IRB approval means that the research was unethical, and that IRB approval for the research was misrepresented in the published article. It does not mean that the research results *per se* are fraudulent. Klinikum Ludwigshafen has commissioned an investigating committee to systematically assess the veracity of the findings presented in Dr. Boldt's articles against patient and laboratory records. We will communicate to our readers any finding of data fabrication, falsification, or misrepresentation identified by the investigating committee at Klinikum Ludwigshafen.

We, the undersigned Editors-in-Chief, on behalf of our Editorial Boards, affiliated societies, and publishers, extend our appreciation to LÄK-RLP for their review of the status of IRB approval for Dr. Boldt's research and to the investigating committee at Klinikum Ludwigshafen for their ongoing review of his research findings.

Amendments:

1. March 4, 2011: LÄK-RLP has verified IRB approval for Boldt J, Schöllhorn T, Münchbach J, Pabsdorf M. A total balanced volume replacement strategy using a new balanced hydroxyethyl starch preparation (6% HES 130/0.42) in patients undergoing major abdominal surgery. *Eur J Anaesthesiol.* 2007;24:267-75. This article was moved from table 1 (articles without documented IRB approval) to table 2 (articles with documented IRB approval).
2. March 12, 2011: Markus K. Heinemann, MD, PhD, Editor-in-Chief, Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeon, and L. Henry Edmunds, Jr., MD, Editor-in-Chief, *Annals of Thoracic Surgery* joined the statement.

On behalf of our respective journals,



Lars S. Rasmussen
Editor-in-Chief, *Acta Anaesthesiologica Scandinavica*



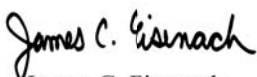
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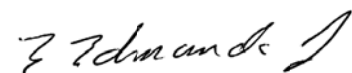
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Editor-in-Chief, *Anesthesia & Analgesia*



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Editor-in-Chief, *Anesthesiology*



L. Henry Edmunds
Editor-in-Chief, *Annals of Thoracic Surgery*



Charles S. Reilly
Editor-in-Chief, *British Journal of Anaesthesia*



Donald R. Miller
Editor-in-Chief, *Canadian Journal of Anesthesia/Journal canadien d'anesthésie*



Joseph E. Parrillo
Editor-in-Chief, *Critical Care Medicine*



Bernd Zwissler

On behalf of the Editorial Board and his CoEditor-in-Chief, Rolf Rossaint, *Der Anästhesist*



Martin R. Tramèr

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Massimo Antonelli

Editor-in-Chief, *Intensive Care Medicine*



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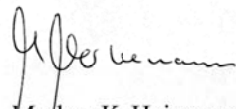
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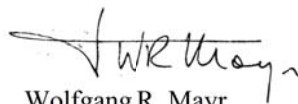
Davide Chiumello

Editor-in-Chief, *Minerva Anestesiologica*



Markus K. Heinemann

Editor-in-Chief, *Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeon*



Wolfgang R. Mayr

Editor-in-Chief, *Vox Sanguinis*

Table 1: Articles without evidence of IRB approval as determined by LÄK-RLP

Acta Anaesthesiologica Scandinavica

Mengistu AM, Mayer J, Boldt J, Röhm KD. Whole-blood aggregometry: are there any limits with regard to platelet counts? *Acta Anaesthesiol Scand.* 2009;53:72-6

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Anaesthesia

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Piper SN, Röhm KD, Suttner SW, Maleck WH, Kranke P, Boldt J. A comparison of nefopam and clonidine for the prevention of postanaesthetic shivering: a comparative, double-blind and placebo-controlled dose-ranging study. *Anaesthesia.* 2004;59:559-64

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Piper SN, Kumle B, Maleck WH, Suttner SW, Fent MT, Boldt J. Effects of postoperative sedation with propofol and midazolam on pancreatic function assessed by pancreatitis-associated protein. *Anaesthesia.* 2001;56:836-40

Piper SN, Suttner SW, Schmidt CC, Kumle B, Maleck WH, Boldt J. Acute phase response to nitroprusside-induced controlled hypotension in patients undergoing radical prostatectomy. *Anaesthesia.* 2000;55:131-6

Piper SN, Suttner SW, Schmidt CC, Maleck WH, Kumle B, Boldt J. Nefopam and clonidine in the prevention of postanaesthetic shivering. *Anaesthesia.* 1999;54:695-9

Anästhesiologie Intensivmedizin Notfallmedizin Schmerztherapie

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Röhm KD, Piper SN, Schöllhorn TA, Suttner SW, Maleck WH, Boldt J. [Injection pain secondary to propofol-MCT/LCT and propofol-LCT--comparison of prophylaxis with lidocaine]. *Anesthesiol Intensivmed Notfallmed Schmerzther.* 2003;38:643-7

Piper SN, Kumle B, Röhm KD, Suttner SW, Lang J, Blome M, Boldt J. [Influence of cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB) on the natriuretic peptides ANP and BNP. A comparison between long and short duration of CPB and off pump surgery]. *Anesthesiol Intensivmed Notfallmed Schmerzther.* 2003;38:463-9

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Anesthesia & Analgesia

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Canadian Journal of Anesthesia/Journal canadien d'anesthésie

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Intensive Care Medicine

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Suttner S, Schöllhorn T, Boldt J, Mayer J, Röhm KD, Lang K, Piper SN. Noninvasive assessment of cardiac output using thoracic electrical bioimpedance in hemodynamically stable and unstable patients after cardiac surgery: a comparison with pulmonary artery thermodilution. *Intensive Care Med.* 2006;32:2053-8

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Journal of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anesthesia

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Boldt J, Mayer J, Brosch C, Lehmann A, Mengistu A. Volume replacement with a balanced hydroxyethyl starch (HES) preparation in cardiac surgery patients. *J Cardiothorac Vasc Anesth.* 2010;24:399-407

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Medical Science Monitor

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Minerva Anesthesiologica

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The Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeon

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Vox Sanguinis

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