

Data Protection, Confidentiality and Further Details

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Data Protection and Confidentiality

➤ Will my participation in the study be confidential?

In accordance with data protection law, The European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) is the Data Controller for this project. This means that we are responsible for making sure your information is kept secure, confidential and used only in the way you have been told it will be used. All researchers are trained with this in mind, and your data will be looked after in the following way.

All information gathered for this questionnaire is anonymous and held by the ESICM. The research team at the ESICM will have access to your anonymous information via encrypted files. Data will not be transferred outside of the EU. There will be no data sharing with other organisations, and we will not be archiving data in a repository. Data will be stored for 5 years by the ESICM.

➤ Will the outcomes of the research be published?

The summaries of the anonymous data will be reported at scientific conferences and in peer-reviewed journals.

➤ Will my information be shared with others?

These are anonymous data, so information will not identify you and will not be combined with other information in a way that could identify you. The information will only be used for the purpose of research.

➤ Will my information be put into an archive?

Your anonymous information will not be put into an archive at the end of the project.

➤ Auditing and Monitoring

Please also note that individuals from The ESICM or regulatory authorities may need to look at the data collected for this study to make sure the project is being carried out as planned. This may involve looking at identifiable data. All individuals involved in auditing and monitoring the study will have a strict duty of confidentiality to you as a research participant.

What if I have a complaint?

➤ Contact details for complaints

If you have a complaint that you wish to direct to members of the research team, please contact: **DR RICHARD BOURNE** (richard.bourne@manchester.ac.uk).

If you wish to make a formal complaint to someone independent of the research team or if you are not satisfied with the response you have gained from the researchers in the first instance, then please contact:

The ESICM Research Ethics Manager: research@esicm.org.

If you wish to contact us about your data protection rights, please email research@esicm.org.

If you wish to withdraw from the survey and wish your data to be excluded from the database, please contact research@esicm.org.