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1. Given Name (First Name)
Michael

2. Surname (Last Name)
George

3. Date
03-July-2020

4. Are you the corresponding author? Yes No

5. Manuscript Title
Risk of serious infection with low-dose glucocorticoids in patients with rheumatoid arthritis: a cohort study

6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if you know it)
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If yes, please fill out the appropriate information below. If you have more than one entity press the "ADD" button to add a row. Excess rows can be removed by pressing the "X" button.

Name of Institution/Company	Grant?	Personal Fees?	Non-Financial Support?	Other?	Comments
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Paradigm Medical Communications	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Biaggi, Kroese, & Campbell PLLC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Expert Testimony

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Jesse

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Hsu

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Corresponding Author's Name

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Dr. Hsu has nothing to disclose.

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Michael George

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1. Given Name (First Name)
Kevin

2. Surname (Last Name)
Winthrop

3. Date
06-July-2020

4. Are you the corresponding author? Yes No

5. Manuscript Title
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BMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Eli Lilly & Company	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Galapagos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
GSK	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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1. Given Name (First Name) Qufei	2. Surname (Last Name) Wu	3. Date 17-August-2020
4. Are you the corresponding author?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Corresponding Author's Name Michael George
5. Manuscript Title Risk for Serious Infection With Low-Dose Glucocorticoids in Patients With Rheumatoid Arthritis: A Cohort Study		
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