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**CONSENT FORM**  
**(Version 4.1 Date 15/05/12)**

**Title of Study:** A trial of probiotics on the incidence of spontaneous bacterial peritonitis (*infection in abdominal fluid*) in patients with cirrhosis and ascites

**REC ref:** 10/H0405/81  
**Eudract ref :** 2010-022886-92

**Name of Researcher:** Dr Martin James

**Name of Participant:**

**Please initial box**

1. I confirm that I have read and understand the information sheet version number 4.0 dated 14.03.2012 for the above study and have had the opportunity to ask questions. ☐
2. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time, without giving any reason, and without my medical care or legal rights being affected. I understand that should I withdraw, information collected may still be used in the project analysis. ☐
3. I understand that relevant sections of my medical notes and data collected in the study may be looked at by authorised individuals from the University of Nottingham, the research group and regulatory authorities where it is relevant to my taking part in this study. I give permission for these individuals to have access to these records and to collect, store, analyse and publish information obtained from my participation in this study. I understand that my personal details will be kept confidential. ☐
4. I understand and agree at 4, 12, 24 and 48 weeks during my course of treatment I will return to Queen's Medical Centre where further samples will be taken for analysis. ☐
5. I agree to my GP being informed of my participation in this study. ☐
6. I agree to take part in the above study. ☐

_____ Name of Participant	_____ Date	_____ Signature
_____ Name of Person taking consent (if different from Principal Investigator)	_____ Date	_____ Signature
_____ Name of Principal Investigator	_____ Date	_____ Signature

3 copies: 1 for participant, 1 for the project notes and 1 for the medical notes