APPENDIX A

**Study Title:** Parosmia Questionnaire

University of Reading Study Number UREC 20/tbc

Informed Consent

This study is for participants who are recovering from smell loss (anosmia) and have found that as their sense of smell returns, things smell somewhat different to normal and the smell is distorted. The initial stage of recovery from smell loss is often characterised by the detection of a few of distorted smells which can be quite unpleasant. This is known as parosmia.

**If you are over 18 and currently experiencing smell distortions, we invite you to take part in this voluntary and anonymous survey.**

Please read the following information sheet carefully before deciding if you would like to take part. If you do take part, the initial questionnaire should take no more than 20 minutes to complete.

Link to Participant Information Sheet (Appendix B)

Please read each of the following statements and add your initials into the box provided to state you have read and agree to each *(boxes will be provided for initials on the on-line consent form)*:

1. I confirm that I have read and understand the Participant Information Sheet for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information. I have been provided an email address to ask questions and any that I have asked have been answered satisfactorily.
2. I agree to the arrangements described in the Participant Information Sheet in so far as they relate to my participation.
3. I understand that participation is entirely voluntary, and I can withdraw from the study at any time without giving reason.
4. I understand that all personal information will remain confidential to the researchers and arrangements for the storage and eventual disposal of any identifiable material have been made clear to me in the information sheet.
5. I understand that the data collected from me in this study will be preserved and made available in a fully anonymized un-linked form, so that it can be consulted and re-used by others.

Name:

Date:

Email address: