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Administrative Determination of Non-Human Subjects Research for

Study: AUDIT-AI: A Three-Arm Diagnostic Accuracy Study of Commercial AI Text Detectors

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms that the above-referenced study has been reviewed by the Research Office of the College of Medicine and Health Sciences (CMHS), United Arab Emirates University, and has been determined to **not constitute human subjects research** under the UAE Ministry of Health and Prevention Research Ethics Standards (2023) or under the United States Common Rule (45 CFR 46.102(e)).

The study evaluates the performance of commercial artificial intelligence text-detection software using publicly available, peer-reviewed scientific publications and synthetic AI-generated text as input stimuli. It does **not involve human participants, animal subjects, patient records, biospecimens, or identifiable private information**. The subject of investigation is the behaviour of commercial software, not the behaviour of any individual.

Because the project falls outside the regulatory definition of human subjects' research, it is **exempt from review by the Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)**. This determination has been confirmed in consultation with the HREC Chair.

The Principal Investigator has committed to standard open-science practices including pre-registration on the Open Science Framework, reporting in accordance with STARD-AI 2025

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guidelines, transparent disclosure of all AI tools used, and public release of de-identified data and analysis code with publication.

This letter is issued at the request of the Principal Investigator for the purpose of accompanying manuscript submissions to peer-reviewed international journals.

Should the editorial office of any journal require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the CMHS Research Office.

Sincerely,

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