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# Professional and Society Values Committee

## 1 Candidate – Elected Unopposed

**Peter Swoboda**

***Nominations:***

John Greenwood

Tom Mwambingu

***Supporting Statement:***

I am a consultant cardiologist and associate professor based at Mid Yorkshire Teaching Hospital (MWH) (NHS.uk) and the University of Leeds (UoL) (Leeds.ac.uk). I am currently leading a trial (CE-MARC 3) with the aim of improving the way we deliver cardiology care to patients. I am passionate about improving equality, diversity and inclusivity (EDI) in cardiology research. Improving EDI in clinical trials is notoriously challenging and I plan to share the knowledge and experience I have gained in my research which I am leading with Professor John Greenwood. Cardiac chest pain can affect patients from all backgrounds and one of our key aims is to deliver a trial that is inclusive to all patients. In order for research to be applicable to patients from a particular community it is imperative that patients from that community are included in the research. Despite the UK now including approximately 10% patients from ethnic minorities recent chest pain trials have not managed to recruit anyway near this number with some trials recruiting <1% patients from minority backgrounds (or not even reporting ethnicity). I have been working with a local ethnic minority research inclusivity group (<https://www.westyorksrd.nhs.uk/emri>) to develop strategies to maximise inclusivity in CE-MARC 3. We have developed the following a patient information video to explain the rationale for the trial and the need for inclusivity which is available on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=shared&v=I9UdGQx2xjs>). The video has been translated into four languages so far with plans for another four languages. We have been able to avoid the costs of translation by using bilingual staff from research sites to record a translation.

