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The authors acknowledge that, given that the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust maintain that the sole purpose for sharing data with DeepMind was clinical testing, the below passage should replace the above original passage:

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In addition, a new footnote 20 documenting the Information Commissioner’s use of the term ‘shared’ in relation to the patient records provided by the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust to Deepmind has been added after ‘Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust shared the records of 1.6 million NHS patients with DeepMind’, as follows:

20 See the statement by the Information Commissioner quoted on the Information Commissioner’s Office website <https://ico.org.uk/about-the-ico/news-and-events/news-and-blogs/2017/07/royal-free-google-deepmind-trial-failed-to-comply-with-data-protection-law/> accessed on 7 January 2020.

All original footnotes remain unchanged, although the original footnote 20 becomes footnote 21 and so on.

The above changes have now been made to the paper.
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