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Dear editors:

**Title of study: Feasibility and nutritional impact of laparoscopic assisted tailored subtotal gastrectomy for middle-third gastric cancer**

This letter is to confirm that I have read the ethics application prepared for this study. The statistical methods and techniques mentioned are appropriate for the research.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shangying Hu". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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