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To whom it may concern

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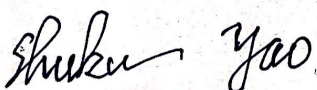
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All the data were obtained from The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA, <https://portal.gdc.cancer.gov/repository>) database in our study. TCGA database is freely available open to the public so there is no requirement for additional ethical approval and informed consent statement.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

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