

BIOSTATISTICS STATEMENT

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TITLE: Risk factors for lymph node metastasis in T1 esophageal squamous cell carcinoma: A systematic review and meta-analysis

This letter is to confirm that I have read the ethics application prepared for this study and that opinion 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, reading "Dong Tian". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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