

Professor. Andrzej S Tarnawski
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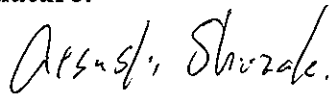
Dear Prof. Andrzej S Tarnawski,

Because no animals were involved in this study, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee chose to waive requirement.

Yours sincerely,

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Signature:

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