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CERTIFICATE









I, Miguel Puga-Tejada, institutional biostatistician at Instituto Ecuatoriano de Enfermedades Digestivas (IECED), hereby attest that the statistical analysis of the article entitled: "Endoscopic ultrasound elastography in the diagnosis of malignant pancreatic masses and associated lymph nodes: a critical evaluation of the strain ratio cut-off value" was performed and verified by me, following appropriate techniques for this research, as well as the ethics concerns related to this study.

This certificate is provided to the concerned person for any purpose for which it may be required.

Yours sincerely,

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