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I am writing to request a waiver of informed consent for the publication of my article in *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*. The article in question is titled " **Causal Roles of Gut Microbiota in Cholangiocarcinoma Etiology Suggested by Genetic Study**".

I understand that normally, informed consent is required for the publication of certain types of content, particularly those involving personal data or sensitive information. However, I believe that in the case of my article, such a requirement may be waived for the following reasons:

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I assure you that all necessary measures have been taken to respect privacy and comply with ethical guidelines in the preparation of this article. In light of this, I kindly request that you consider granting a waiver for the requirement of informed consent for this publication.

I am available for any further information or clarification you may need regarding this request. I look forward to your positive response and am excited about the opportunity to contribute to *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*.

Thank you for considering my request.

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