## Biostatistics statement

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The statistical methods of this study were performed and verified by our coauthor professor LIN, Yen-Kuang.

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