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To whom it may concern

Title of Study: Development of a Model Based on the Age-adjusted Charlson Comorbidity Index to Predict Survival for Resected Perihilar Cholangiocarcinoma

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This letter is to confirm that I have read the ethical application prepared for this study and that, in my opinion, the statistical methods and techniques mentioned are appropriate for this study.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Sincerely,

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