

Certificate of Biostatistics

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To whom it may concern,

Title of Study: Evidence relating cigarettes, cigars and pipes to cardiovascular disease and stroke. Meta-analysis of recent data from three regions.

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I am a qualified and experienced medical statistician, and this letter is to confirm that the statistical methods and techniques used in the paper are appropriate for the research.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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