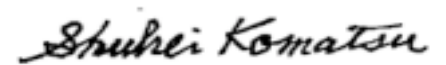


**Biostatistics statement.**

The statistical methods of this study were reviewed by Tsutomu Kawaguchi from Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine.

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