

Biostatistics statement: All data are presented as median or mean \pm standard deviation. Only *P*-values that are less than .05 were considered statistically significant. Experiments comparing two means were analyzed using Student's *t*-test with Welch's correction if appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mohamad Mokadem', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mohamad Mokadem, MD