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To whom it may concern,

We are writing this letter to state our support of Pablo Lozano, MD and to describe our contribution to his efforts.

The overall objectives of this project are to determine which factors are associated with Early Allograft Dysfunction (EAD). Among those factors are intraoperative blood flow and clearance rate of the compound indocyanine green. A second objective, once the factors that contribute to EAD are determined, is to observe how EAD mediates the association between the associated factors and overall patient and graft survival.

We will provide statistical support for this project. With regard to our relevant research experience, Dr. Zhao's research areas include survival analysis and mediation analysis and Ms. Montag's research areas includes survival analysis. Additionally, we both are members of the Northwestern University Transplant Research Outcomes Collaborative (NUTORC). This experience and our respective research expertise have prepared us well to provide statistical support for this project.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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