

Biostatistics statement

To whom it may concern

Title: The critical prognostic value of the log odds of negative lymph nodes/tumor size in rectal cancer patients.

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

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Sincerely,

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