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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 are appropriate for

the research.

Sincerely,

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