Biostatistics Statement

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Title: Comparison of genomic and transcriptional microbiome analysis in gastric cancer

patients and healthy individuals

Differences in relative abundance of detected bacteria (at all taxonomic ranks) between study

groups were evaluated by PERMANOVA and ANOSIM statistical tests, using 9999

permutations. Groups were considered significantly different if the p value was < 0.05,

considering an estimate effect-size F values for PERMANOVA and R values for ANOSIM

tests. Calculation was made by Past 3 program. The distributions of taxa abundance values

were compared by Mann-Whitney test followed by Benjamini-Hochberg correction for

multiple comparisons, named as false discovery rate (FDR) value. Differences were considered

significant when the corrected p value (q value) was < 0.05. All statistical analysis was

performed using RStudio software and respective R packages. The bacterial networks were

visualized using Cytoscape program, after the Spearman correlation test with threshold of 0.2

in absolute value and p value < 0.05.

The statistical methods and techniques mentioned are appropriate for the research.

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