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To whom it may concern

Title of study: Fecal microbial biomarkers along with MT-sDNA improve the diagnostic accuracy in colorectal cancer

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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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