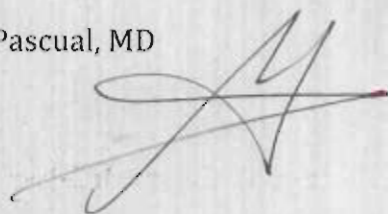


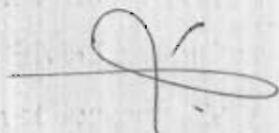
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A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, featuring a large, sweeping 'M' and 'P' that are interconnected.

Silvia Salvans, MD

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a final horizontal stroke.

Miguel Pera, MD

A handwritten signature in black ink, featuring a large, bold 'M' and 'P' that are interconnected.