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To whom it may concern,

Title of Study: Long noncoding RNA X-inactive specific transcript regulates NLR family pyrin domain containing 3/caspase-1-mediated pyroptosis in diabetic nephropathy

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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 this research.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Sincerely, ANN

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