

## Certificate of Biostatistics

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To whom it may concern

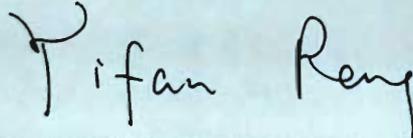
Title of the Study: Fat clearance and conventional fixation identified ypN0 rectal cancer following intermediate neoadjuvant radiotherapy have similar long-term outcome

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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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yifan Peng". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'Y'.

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