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To whom it may concern,

In our study, the data is reported in concordance with the Strengthening the Reporting of Observational studies in Epidemiology (STROBE) criteria [1]. This study was conducted in accordance with the declaration of Helsinki [2].

The clinicopathological data had been prospectively entered in the national HIPEC registry administered by the German Society for General and Visceral Surgery (DGAV) and were retrospectively analyzed for this study. All the patients had agreed to data recording in the registry and to the use of their anonymized data for quality assurance and research purposes by written and verbal informed consent prior to surgery. Therefore, and due to the retrospective nature of this study, no institutional or further review board approval was necessary. All patients were treated according to multidisciplinary recommendations.

[1] von Elm E, Altman DG, Egger M, Pocock SJ, Gøtzsche PC, Vandenbroucke JP, et al. The Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (STROBE) statement: guidelines for reporting observational studies. *Epidemiology*. 2007; 18(6): 800–804.

[2] The World Medical Association. WMA Declaration of Helsinki – Ethical Principles for Medical Research Involving Human Subjects.

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