School of Medicine PhD Committee

**Application for the waiver of a statistician’s letter during initial PhD protocol submission**

A statistician’s letter may be waived during the PhD protocol submission phase provided that all of the requirements listed below have been met; each requirement must be initialed by the supervisor and student:

1. The PhD supervisor and/or co-supervisor are confident that they themselves would be able to provide the statistical support required to complete the study’s statistical analyses
2. The PhD protocol includes a detailed description of the statistical methods required to complete the study
3. The level of complexity of the statistics does not require formal input from a statistician

1. All statistics relevant to the PhD protocol, such as sample size calculations, have been completed and supplied as part of the protocol

**NOTE:** The PhD Committee reserves the right to request a formal statistician’s letter should the Committee feel that the statistical analyses require such input. This letter will have to be obtained and submitted to the Committee before the PhD protocol can be approved.

**Application**

We confirm that all four of the above-listed requirements have been met as part of this PhD protocol submission, and request a waiver of the Committee’s requirement for a statistician’s letter.

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PhD student: ………………………. ……………………………. ……………….

 (Name) (Signature) (Date)

PhD supervisor: ………………………. ……………………………. ……………….

Person responsible for the statistical analyses:

 (Name) (Signature) (Date)

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