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Dear corresponding authors Abecasis, O'Connor, Hernandez, Laurie, Jaquish, and Cupples:

As PI of the GOLDN studies (R01 HL091357 and R01 HL104135), I attest that the draft manuscript "Sequencing of 53,831 diverse genomes from the NHLBI TOPMed Program" has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate members of the GOLDN team. You have our permission to submit the manuscript for publication.

Kind regards,

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