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Dear Sir Ronald,

Thank you very much for your letter of January 20th.

The reason why we used a non-parametric test was that the smoking habits - assigned by our assessors - were far from normally distributed. We did not think of the way you mention.

The second paragraph in your letter I don't fully understand.
For example, I can't imagine how the presence of cancer could have favoured the habit of smoking, appearing several years before. It is, however, very stimulating to get your views on the subject, and I would appreciate very much any collaboration in the future work.

My best regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Lars Friberg)