

Dear Editor,

Through consideration by the Ethics Committee, the experimental design and the program of the study will not cause harm and risk to the subjects. Due to the retrospective nature of this study and the actual medical condition of Nanchong, it's difficult to get informed consent from all patients involved in the study. The data collected were analyzed anonymously. So Ethics Committee of our Hospital waived the need for written informed consent from the all participants.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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