Informed Consent Statement

Patients were not required to give informed consent to the study entitled, "The Temporal Trends in the Misdiagnosis Rates between Crohn's Disease and Intestinal Tuberculosis", which we would like to submit for publication as an "observational study" in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*. We retrospectively reviewed anonymized clinical data after each patient received standard management. Individuals cannot be identified based on the data presented. Omission of written informed consent was approved by the Institutional Review Board of Asan Medical Center (Seoul, South Korea; IRB No. 2010-0882)

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