

To whom it may concern,

**Title of study:** Identifying survival protective factors for chronic dialysis patients with surgically confirmed acute mesenteric ischemia

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**Informed consent statement:** This retrospective study was conducted at a tertiary referral center with 3700 beds and an annual average of 107,000 inpatient services in northern Taiwan. This study was approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) (approval number: 202001647B0) of the study hospital. The need for informed consent was waived because of the study's retrospective, noninterventional design, and the patients' confidentiality was maintained.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Sincerely,

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