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Effectiveness of antibiotic prophylaxis for acute esophageal variceal bleeding in patients with band ligation: A large observational study

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Informed consent statement: Due to the observational study based on medical records without using samples taken from the human body, informed consent was obtained from all participants through the opt-out method on our hospital website. The Ethics Committee has approved this Informed consent method.

Respectfully yours,

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