INFORMED CONSENT STATEMENT

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Comparison of clinical features of acute esophageal mucosal lesions and those of reflux esophagitis

Los Angeles classification grade D: a single-center, retrospective 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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