

**Title: Risk of Second Primary Malignancies and Survival of Adult Patients with Essential Thrombocythemia: A United States population-based retrospective study**

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**Institutional review board statement**

Since the study utilized de-identified data, the research did not meet the definition of human subjects research. Human Subject is defined at 45 Code of Federal Regulations 46.102(f) as, “a living individual about whom an investigator (whether professional or student) conducting research obtains: 1) Data through intervention or interaction with the individual, or 2) Identifiable private information.”

Hence, waiver was granted by the University of Nebraska Medical Center Institutional Review Board prior to conducting this study.

Sincerely,



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Vijaya Raj Bhatt