

Informed Consent Waiver Statement

Retrospective medical-record study

Study	Clinical characteristics and CRI-defined high-risk presentation among adults evaluated for anti-glomerular basement membrane antibodies: a retrospective cross-sectional analytical study at Baoding No.1 Central Hospital
Institution	Baoding No.1 Central Hospital
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Ethics committee	Medical Ethics Committee of Baoding First Central Hospital
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Statement

This study is a retrospective cross-sectional analysis of existing clinical records. No patient was recruited for a study intervention, no additional clinical procedure was performed for research purposes, and no direct participant contact was required. The Medical Ethics Committee of Baoding First Central Hospital approved the study and waived the requirement for individual written informed consent under approval reference IRB-A27N5-2026.

Basis for the waiver

- The research uses information generated during routine clinical care before the research data-abstraction period.
- The study involves no additional intervention, medication, specimen collection, imaging, visit, questionnaire, or change in clinical management.
- Research data are de-identified before analysis and handled under institutional confidentiality and access controls.
- Results are reported in aggregate and are not intended to identify individual patients.
- Use or sharing of de-identified data remains subject to Baoding No.1 Central Hospital research-governance and applicable privacy requirements.

Record period and study chronology

Historical source records cover 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2025. Retrospective record collection began on 1 February 2026 and the final eligible record set was completed on 30 April 2026. Study analysis was completed on 31 August 2026.

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