

Table S1 Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria for the GRACE-IgANI cohort

Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Age \geq 18 years	Secondary IgA nephropathy: e.g. due to lupus, liver cirrhosis, Henoch-Schonlein purpura.
Primary IgAN diagnosed by renal biopsy	Glomerular filtration rate as estimated by the CKD-EPI equation <10 ml/min/1.73 m ² .
Immunosuppression naive for three months prior to recruitment	Patients with systemic diseases that can affect the kidneys like diabetes, systemic lupus erythematosus, presence of HIV, HBsAg, HCV infections, malignancies etc.
Willing to come for follow-up visits	Patients with a history of psychological illness or condition which interferes with their ability to understand or comply with the requirements of the study.

Abbreviations: HBsAg, hepatitis B surface antigen; HCV, hepatitis C virus.

Table S2 Impact of gender on demographic and baseline clinical characteristics of the GRACE-IgANI cohort

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=201)	Male (n=142)	Female (n=59)	P value
Age (years, mean±SD)	36±10.02	36.85±10.42	33.97±8.75	0.06
BMI (kg/m ² , mean±SD)	24.7±4.05	24.52±4.0	25.44±4.1	0.15
Hypertension (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	169/201 (84.1)	124/143 (86.7)	45/58 (77.6)	0.08
Time to renal biopsy from onset of hypertension (months, median (IQR) (n))	10 (2 to 36) (167)	9 (2 to 36) (122)	12 (5 to 28) (45)	0.93
Systolic blood pressure (Hg) (mean±SD)	138±20.33	140.56±19.1	133.49±22.4	0.024
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	86.69±12.56	87.67±12.4	84.32±12.	0.09
Mean arterial pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	103.95±14.34	105.3±14	100.71±14.8	0.011
Blood pressure ≥ 140/90mmHg (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	110/201 (55)	85/143 (59)	25/59 (42)	0.020
Sympharyngitic illness prior to presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	8/200 (4)	4/142 (2.8)	4/58 (6.9)	0.18
Pedal edema prior to presentation ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	93/200 (46.5)	58/142 (40.8)	35/58 (60.3)	0.012
Time to renal biopsy from onset of pedal edema (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (2 to 11.5) (93)	3 (1 to 8.5) (57)	6 (2 to 17.25) (36)	0.08
Visible haematuria prior to presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	149/188 (79.3)	15/142 (10.6)	5/58 (8.6)	0.68
Time to renal biopsy from onset of visible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (2 to 63) (19)	5 (2 to 63) (15)	3 (0.5 to 68) (4)	0.57
Renal dysfunction prior to presentation ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	149/188 (79.3)	113/132 (85.6)	36/56 (64.3)	0.001
Time to renal biopsy from onset of renal dysfunction (months, median (IQR) (n))	3 (1 to 7) (184)	2 (1 to 7) (130)	3.5 (1 to 12) (54)	0.42
Proteinuria prior to presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	157/160 (98.1)	111/112 (99.1)	46/48 (95.8)	0.16
Time to renal biopsy from onset of proteinuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 8) (160)	2 (1 to 6) (112)	4 (1 to 12) (48)	0.16
Nonvisible haematuria prior to presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	90/124 (72.6)	61/86 (70.9)	29/38 (76.3)	0.54
Time to renal biopsy from onset of nonvisible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 7.75) (120)	1 (0 to 4.75) (84)	4.5 (2 to 12) (36)	0.22
Family history of CKD (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	11/201 (5.5)	8/143 (5.6)	3/58 (5.2)	0.9
On RASB prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	74/201 (37)	52/143 (36.4)	22/58 (37.9)	0.86

Table S3 Impact of gender on baseline laboratory parameters in the GRACE-IgANI cohort

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=201)	Male (n=142)	Female (n=59)	P value
Haemoglobin (g/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	12.12±2.06 (201)	12.57±2.05	11.03±1.65	<0.001
Serum total protein (g/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	6.85±0.7 (198)	6.91±0.72 (140)	6.7±0.64 (58)	0.06
Serum albumin (g/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	4±0.56 (198)	4.04±0.53 (140)	3.76±0.6 (58)	0.001
24-hour urine protein (g/day, median (IQR) (Evaluable patients))	1.9 (1 to 3.75) (200)	1.95 (1 to 4) (142)	1.85 (0.78 to 3.2) (58)	0.11
Serum total cholesterol (mg/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	176.88±57.12 (198)	174.01±56.07 (140)	183.81±59.495 (58)	0.27
Serum uric acid (mg/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	7.02±1.88 (199)	7.28±1.88 (141)	6.4±1.74 (58)	0.003
Serum creatinine (mg/dL, mean±SD (Evaluable patients))	2.1±1.06 (201)	2.23±1.05 (142)	1.8±1.04 (59)	0.01
eGFR MDRD (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (Evaluable patients))	36 (24 to 60.5) (201)	36.5 (24.8 to 57.3) (201)	36 (22 to 76) (201)	0.79
eGFR CKD-EPI (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (Evaluable patients))	36 (26 to 67.5) (201)	39.5 (26.8 to 64) (201)	40 (23 to 88) (201)	0.19

Table S4 Impact of gender on histopathological parameters in the GRACE-IgANI cohort

MEST-C Score	Entire Cohort (n=185)	Male (n=134)	Female (n=51)	P value
M1 / M0 (M1 %)	21/164 (11.4)	16/118(11.9)	5/46 (9.8)	0.68
E1 / E0 (E1 %)	81/104 (43.8)	56/78 (41.8)	25/26 (49)	0.38
S1 / S0 (S1 %)	148/37 (80)	107/27 (79.9)	41/10 (80.4)	0.93
T2 / T1 / T0 (T2 % / T1%)	76/70/39 (41.4 / 37.8)	54/57/23 (40.3/42.5)	22/13/16 (43.1/25.5)	0.04
C2 / C1 / C0 (C2 % / C1%)	4/12/169 (2.2 / 6.4)	4/5/125 (3/3.7)	0/7/44 (0/13.7)	0.025
Global glomerulosclerosis (GS)	Entire Cohort (n=184)	Male (n=133)	Female (n=51)	P value
(GS/total glomeruli) *100 (% (median (IQR)))	32.05 (12.5 to 46.66)	30 (14.8 to 46.3)	33.33 (12.5 to 50)	0.92
Immunofluorescence staining	Entire Cohort (n=201)	Male (n=142)	Female (n=59)	P value
IgA (+++, n (%))	148 (73.6)	104 (73.2)	44 (74.6)	0.85
IgG (++ & +++, n (%))	11 (5.5)	7 (4.9)	4 (6.8)	0.6
IgM (++ & +++, n (%))	4 (2)	2 (1.4)	2 (3.4)	0.36
C3 (++ & +++, n (%))	74(36.8)	52 (36.6)	22 (37.3)	0.93

Total number of glomeruli per biopsy (median (IQR))= 9 (7-13)

Table S5 Baseline clinical characteristics of the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by Total Risk Score

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=185)	Lower Risk (n=91)	Higher Risk (n=94)	P value
Gender (male: female; ratio)	134:51 (2.6:1)	67:24 (2.8:1)	67:27 (2.5:1)	0.72
Age (years, mean±SD)	36.1±10.2	35.1±10.6	37.1±9.8	0.19
BMI (kg/m ² , mean±SD)	24.9±4.1	25±4.1	24.7±4	0.59
Hypertension (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	157/185 (84.9)	68/91 (74.7)	89/94 (94.7)	<0.001
Time to renal biopsy from onset of hypertension (months, median (IQR) (n))	11 (2 to 36) (156)	12 (2 to 48) (67)	8 (2 to 36) (89)	0.42
Systolic blood pressure (Hg) (mean±SD)	138.4±19.9	132.5±18.3	144.2±19.7	<0.001
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	86.7±12.2	84.2±10.5	89.2±13.2	0.005
Mean arterial pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	103.94±13.9	100.3±12.5	107.5±14.3	<0.001
Blood pressure ≥ 140/90mmHg (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	101/185 (54.6%)	35/91 (38.4)	66/94 (70.2)	<0.001
Synpharyngitic presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	7/184 (3.8)	7/90 (7.8)	0/94 (0)	0.006
Pedal edema at presentation ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	84/184 (45.7)	31/90 (34.4)	53/94 (56.4)	0.003
Time to renal biopsy from onset of pedal edema (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (2 to 12) (85)	4 (2 to 12) (31)	3 (1.8 to 9.8) (54)	0.54
Visible haematuria at presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	18/184 (9.8)	11/90 (12.2)	7/94 (7.4)	0.28
Time to renal biopsy from onset of visible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (1.5 to 49) (17)	3 (1 to 6) (10)	35 (3 to 183) (7)	0.07
Renal dysfunction prior to biopsy ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	138/174 (79.3)	54/84 (64.3)	84/90 (93.3)	<0.001
Time to renal biopsy from onset of renal dysfunction (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 7.3) (170)	2 (1 to 10.25) (82)	2 (1 to 6) (88)	0.77
Proteinuria prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	146/147 (99.3)	71/72 (98.6)	75/75 (100)	0.31
Time to renal biopsy from onset of proteinuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 8) (147)	3 (1 to 10.5) (73)	2 (1 to 6) (74)	0.85
Nonvisible haematuria prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	82/113 (72.6)	40/58 (69)	42/55 (76.4)	0.38
Time to renal biopsy from onset of nonvisible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 8) (109)	3 (1 to 10) (58)	2 (1 to 6) (51)	0.46
Family history of CKD (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	11/184 (6)	5/90 (5.6)	6/94 (6.4)	0.81
On RASB prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	67/184 (36.4)	39/90 (43.3)	28/94 (29.8)	0.056

Table S6 Baseline laboratory parameters of the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by Total Risk Score

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=185)	Lower Risk (n=91)	Higher Risk (n=94)	P value
Haemoglobin (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	12.2±2.1 (185)	12.9±1.9 (91)	11.4±1.9 (94)	<0.001
Serum total protein (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	6.85±0.7 (182)	7.09±0.71 (90)	6.61±0.63 (92)	<0.001
Serum albumin (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	4±0.6 (182)	4.12±0.62 (90)	3.8±0.46 (92)	<0.001
24-hour urine protein (g/day, median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	1.9 (1 to 3.8) (184)	1.1 (0.7 to 1.9) (90)	3.6 (1.8 to 5.1) (94)	<0.001
Serum total cholesterol (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	176.3±58 (182)	175.69±63.3 (89)	176.96±52.7 (93)	0.88
Serum uric acid (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	7±1.9 (183)	6.74±1.85 (90)	7.28±1.91 (93)	0.052
Serum creatinine (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	2.1±1.0 (185)	1.47±0.6 (91)	2.69±1 (94)	<0.001
eGFR MDRD (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	37 (24.5 to 61) (185)	55 (38 to 87) (91)	25 (19 to 36.3) (94)	<0.001
eGFR CKD-EPI (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	40 (26.5 to 68.5) (185)	61 (41 to 102) (91)	27 (20 to 40) (94)	<0.001

Table S7 Histopathological parameters in the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by Total Risk Score

MEST-C Score	Entire Cohort (n=185)	Lower Risk (n=91)	Higher Risk (n=94)	P value
M1 / M0 (M1 %)	21/164 (11.4)	10/81 (11)	11/83 (11.7)	0.88
E1 / E0 (E1 %)	81/104 (43.8)	33/58 (36.3)	48/46 (51.1)	0.043
S1 / S0 (S1 %)	148/37 (80)	58/33 (63.7)	90/94 (95.7)	<0.001
T2 / T1 / T0 (T2 % / T1%)	76/70/39 (41.4 / 37.8)	3/49/39 (3.3/53.8)	73/21/0 (77.7/22.3)	<0.001
C2 / C1 / C0 (C2 % / C1%)	4/12/169 (2.2 / 6.5)	2/7/82 (2.2/7.7)	2/5/87 (2.1/5.3)	0.81
Global glomerulosclerosis (GS)	Entire Cohort (n=184)	Lower Risk (n=91)	Higher Risk (n=94)	P value
(GS/total glomeruli) *100 (% (median (IQR)))	32.1 (12.5 to 46.7)	16.7 (0 to 33.3)	41.7 (27.8 to 57.1)	<0.001
Immunofluorescence staining	Entire Cohort (n=201)	Lower Risk (n=91)	Higher Risk (n=94)	P value
IgA (+++, n (%))	148 (73.6)	75 (82.4)	63 (67)	0.016
IgG (++ & +++, n (%))	11 (5.5)	6 (6.6)	4 (4.3)	0.48
IgM (++ & +++, n (%))	4 (2)	4 (4.4)	0 (0)	0.04
C3 (++ & +++, n (%))	74 (36.8)	32 (35.2)	37 (39.4)	0.56

Total number of glomeruli per biopsy (median (IQR))= 9 (7-13); LR 10 (7-14) and HR 9 (6-13)

Table S8 Baseline clinical characteristics of the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by the five-year risk of progression to the combined endpoint of 50% decline in eGFR or ESKD using the IIGANN risk calculator

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=185)	IIGANN risk <35% (n=90)	IIGANN risk ≥35% (n=95)	P value
Gender (male: female; ratio)	134:51 (2.6:1)	64:26 (2.5:1)	70:25 (3:1)	0.7
Age (years, mean±SD)	36.1±10.2	35.5±10.8	36.7±9.6	0.44
BMI (kg/m ² , mean±SD)	24.9±4.1	25.3±4.3	24.5±3.8	0.18
Hypertension (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	157/185 (84.9)	68/91 (74.7)	89/94 (94.7)	<0.001
Time to renal biopsy from onset of hypertension (months, median (IQR) (n))	11 (2 to 36) (156)	12 (2 to 48.5) (66)	9 (2 to 36) (90)	0.7
Systolic blood pressure (Hg) (mean±SD)	138.4±19.9	133.4±18.1	143.2±20.4	0.001
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	86.7±12.2	84.4±10.5	88.9±13.3	0.01
Mean arterial pressure (mmHg) (mean±SD)	103.94±13.9	100.7±12.2	107±14.7	0.002
Blood pressure ≥ 140/90mmHg (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	101/185 (54.6%)	38/89 (42.7)	63/95 (66.3)	0.001
Synpharyngitic presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	7/184 (3.8)	7/89 (7.9)	0/95 (0)	0.005
Pedal edema at presentation ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	84/184 (45.7)	33/89 (37.1)	51/95 (53.7)	0.024
Time to renal biopsy from onset of pedal edema (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (2 to 12) (85)	4 (2 to 12) (33)	4 (2 to 9) (52)	0.83
Visible haematuria at presentation (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	18/184 (9.8)	11/89 (12.4)	7/95 (7.4)	0.26
Time to renal biopsy from onset of visible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	4 (1.5 to 49) (17)	3 (1 to 6) (10)	35 (3 to 183) (7)	0.07
Renal dysfunction prior to biopsy ((Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	138/174 (79.3)	49/83(59)	89/91 (97.8)	<0.001
Time to renal biopsy from onset of renal dysfunction (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 7.3) (170)	2 (1 to 10.75) (80)	2 (1 to 6) (90)	0.62
Proteinuria prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	146/147 (99.3)	71/72 (98.6)	75/75 (100)	0.31
Time to renal biopsy from onset of proteinuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 8) (147)	3 (1 to 11.5) (73)	2 (1 to 5.25) (74)	0.22
Nonvisible haematuria prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	82/113 (72.6)	42/56 (75)	40/57 (70.2)	0.57
Time to renal biopsy from onset of nonvisible haematuria (months, median (IQR) (n))	2 (1 to 8) (109)	3 (1 to 10) (55)	2 (1 to 4) (54)	0.12
Family history of CKD (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	11/184 (6)	6/89 (6.7)	5/95 (5.3)	0.67
On RASB prior to biopsy (Yes/Evaluable patients (%))	67/184 (36.4)	38/89 (42.7)	29/95 (30.5)	0.09

Table S9 Baseline laboratory parameters of the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by the five-year risk of progression to the combined endpoint of 50% decline in eGFR or ESKD using the IIGANN risk calculator

Baseline characteristic	Entire Cohort (n=185)	IIGANN risk <35% (n=90)	IIGANN risk ≥35% (n=95)	P value
Haemoglobin (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	12.2±2.1 (185)	12.9±2 (90)	11.4±1.8 (95)	<0.001
Serum total protein (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	6.85±0.7 (182)	7.06±0.8 (89)	6.66±0.6 (93)	<0.001
Serum albumin (g/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	4±0.6 (182)	4.07±0.6 (89)	3.84±0.5 (93)	0.007
24-hour urine protein (g/day, median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	1.9 (1 to 3.8) (184)	1.1 (0.7 to 2.2) (89)	3.1 (1.7 to 4.9) (95)	<0.001
Serum total cholesterol (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	176.3±58 (182)	173.8±64.8 (88)	178.7±51 (94)	0.58
Serum uric acid (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	7±1.9 (183)	6.7±1.9 (89)	7.3±1.9 (94)	0.031
Serum creatinine (mg/dL, mean±SD (evaluable patients))	2.1±1.0 (185)	1.34±0.5 (89)	2.8±0.9 (95)	<0.001
eGFR MDRD (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	37 (24.5 to 61) (185)	61 (44 to 89.5) (90)	25 (19 to 33) (95)	<0.001
eGFR CKD-EPI (ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR) (evaluable patients))	40 (26.5 to 68.5) (185)	68.5 (48 to 102.3) (90)	27 (20 to 37) (95)	<0.001

Table S10 Histopathological parameters in the GRACE-IgANI cohort stratified by the five-year risk of progression to the combined endpoint of 50% decline in eGFR or ESKD using the IIGANN risk calculator

MEST-C Score	Entire Cohort (n=185)	IIGANN risk <35% (n=90)	IIGANN risk ≥35% (n=95)	P value
M1 / M0 (M1 %)	21/164 (11.4)	9/81 (10)	12/83 (12.6)	0.57
E1 / E0 (E1 %)	81/104 (43.8)	36/54 (40)	45/50 (47.4)	0.31
S1 / S0 (S1 %)	148/37 (80)	59/31 (65.6)	89/95 (93.7)	<0.001
T2 / T1 / T0 (T2 % / T1%)	76/70/39 (41.4 / 37.8)	10/42/38 (11.1/46.7)	66/28/1 (69.5/28/1)	<0.001
C2 / C1 / C0 (C2 % / C1%)	4/12/169 (2.2 / 6.5)	2/7/81 (2.2/7.8)	2/5/88 (2.1/5.3)	0.78
Global glomerulosclerosis (GS)	Entire Cohort (n=184)	IIGANN risk <35% (n=90)	IIGANN risk ≥35% (n=95)	P value
(GS/total glomeruli) *100 (% (median (IQR)))	32.1 (12.5 to 46.7)	16 (0 to 28.9)	42.9 (33.3 to 60)	<0.001
Immunofluorescence staining	Entire Cohort (n=185)	IIGANN risk <35% (n=90)	IIGANN risk ≥35% (n=95)	P value
IgA (+++, n (%))	148 (73.6)	72 (80)	66 (69.5)	0.1
IgG (++ & +++, n (%))	11 (5.5)	6 (6.7)	4 (4.2)	0.46
IgM (++ & +++, n (%))	4 (2)	4 (4.4)	0 (0)	0.038
C3 (++ & +++, n (%))	74 (36.8)	35 (38.9)	34 (35.8)	0.66

Total number of glomeruli per biopsy (median (IQR))= 9 (7-13); IIGANN risk <35%= 11 (8-14) and IIGANN risk ≥35%= 8 (6-12)