SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Supplementary Table 1—Hazard ratios for steroid-induced AGM or diabetes according to quartiles of baseline fasting plasma glucose levels*

Variables	Quartile 1	Quartile 2	Quartile 3	Quartile 4	P for		
	n=77	n=77	n=78	n=71	trend		
Fasting plasma glucose (mmol/L)	≦ 4.3	4.4-4.7	4.8-5.1	5.2-5.5	-		
Person-years of follow-up	166	146	145	136	-		
Incident case of AGM, n (%)	9(11.7)	13(16.9)	30(38.5)	55(77.5)	< 0.001		
Incident case of diabetes, n (%)	3(3.9)	4(5.2)	12(15.4)	36(50.7)	< 0.001		
Adjusted HR (95%CI) for AGM							
Age	1	1.6(0.6-3.9)	3.3(1.5-7.4)	6.4(3.0-13.8)	< 0.001		
Age and baseline TG	1	1.3(0.5-3.3)	3.4(1.5-7.5)	6.0(2.8-12.9)	< 0.001		
Multivariate†	1	1.5(0.6-3.7)	3.8(1.7-8.4)	6.4(3.0-13.9)	< 0.001		
Adjusted HR (95%CI) for diabetes							
Age	1	1.9(0.4-10.6)	5.2(1.2-23.5)	14.0(3.3-59.5)	< 0.001		
Age and baseline TG	1	1.5(0.3-8.4)	5.6(1.2-25.1)	12.8(3.0-54.5)	< 0.001		
Multivariate†	1	1.5(0.3-8.4)	5.6(1.2-25.1)	12.8(3.0-54.5)	< 0.001		

^{*} n=303.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; TG, triglycerides.

[†]The stepwise multivariate Cox regression model was adjusted for age, hypertension, family history of diabetes, baseline BMI, baseline TG, and activity index.

Supplementary Table 2—Hazard ratios for subsequently developed AGM or diabetes according to tertiles of \triangle fasting plasma glucose levels at month 3*

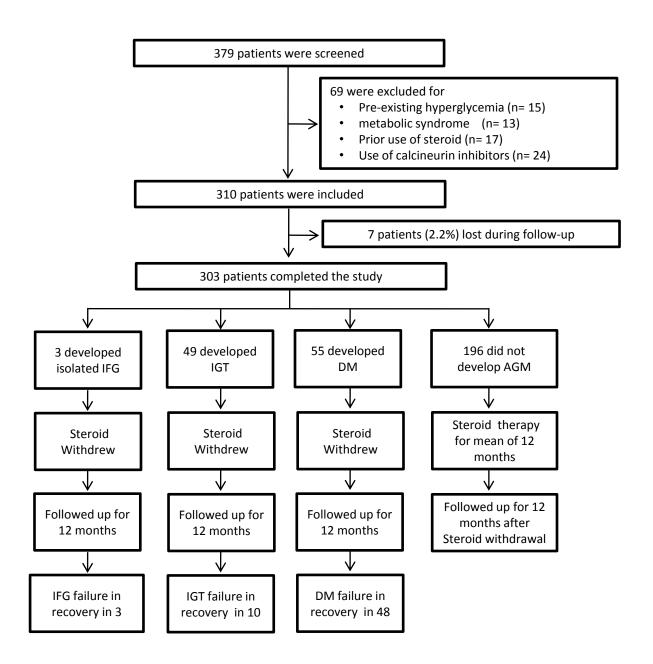
Variables	Tertile 1	Tertile 2	Tertile 3	P for		
	n=89	n=84	n=117	trend		
△FBG at month 3 of GC therapy (mmol/L)	<0	0-0.2	≥0.3	-		
Incident AGM, n (%)	22(24.7)	26(31.0)	46(39.3)	< 0.001		
Incident diabetes, n (%)	6(6.7)	10(11.9)	28(23.9)	< 0.001		
Adjusted HR (95%CI) for AGM						
Age	1	1.5(0.8-2.5)	1.7(1.7-5.1)	0.136		
Age and baseline FPG	1	1.7(0.9-2.9)	3.0(1.7-5.1)	< 0.001		
Multivariate†	1	1.6(0.9-2.8)	2.8(1.6-4.8)	0.001		
Adjusted HR (95%CI) for diabetes						
Age	1	1.9(0.7-5.3)	4.0(1.7-9.8)	0.003		
Age and baseline FPG	1	2.3(0.8-6.3)	8.7(3.4-21.9)	< 0.001		
Multivariate†	1	2.5(0.8-7.4)	10.7(3.8-30.2)	< 0.001		

^{*} n=290 (excluded 13 cases who developed AGM within 3 months).

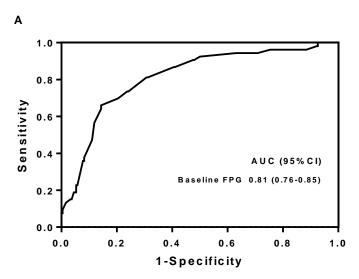
Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; FPG, fasting plasma glucose.

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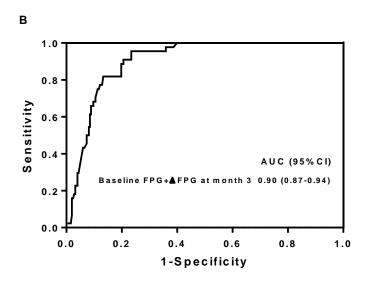
Supplementary Figure 1—Flow chart of enrollment and follow-up of the study participants



Supplementary Figure 2—ROC analyses

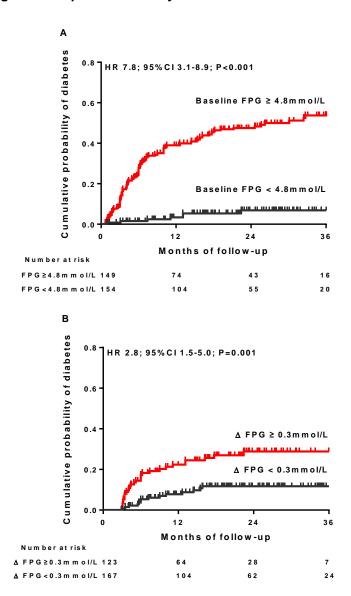


Prediction of steroid-induced diabetes						
Variable	Optimal cutoff	Sensitivity	Specificity			
Baseline FPG, mmol/ L	4.8	0.82	0.70			



- (A) baseline FPG level for predicting steroid-induced diabetes in all participants;
- (B) combination of baseline FPG and Δ FPG at month 3 for predicting subsequently developed diabetes in 290 patients (excluded 13 cases who developed AGM within 3 months)

Supplementary Figure 3—Kaplan-Meier analyses



(A) Cumulative probability of steroid-induced diabetes during glucocorticoids treatment in all participants according to baseline FPG category; (B) Cumulative probability for development of diabetes from month 3 in 290 patients according to Δfasting plasma glucose category