Patients offered participation (n = 36)

Assessed for eligibility (n = 34)

Enrolled patients (n = 33)

Clinical remission (n = 30)

Maintain remission (n = 24)

Enrolment

Allocation

Follow up and analysis

Declined to participate (n = 2)

Not meeting inclusion criteria (n = 1)

Primary non-response (n = 2)
Adverse event (n = 1)

Loss of response (n = 3)
Adverse event (n = 1)
Patients’ unwillingness (n = 2)

Supplementary Fig. 1. Study flowchart.