

Dear Editor,

I, on behalf of all the authors, would like to thank you for considering our manuscript for publication, and providing us with the opportunity to incorporate the revisions suggested by the peer reviewer and the editing staff. I would also like to apologize for the delayed submission of our revision, I am grateful for your patience.

This letter contains the changes made and queries addressed regarding the following manuscript:

Journal: World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery

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Title: Case Report: Primary Esophageal Tuberculosis Mimicking Esophageal Carcinoma on Computed Tomography

Column: Case Report

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All the changes in the manuscript file have been made using Microsoft Word with Track Changes enabled.

Regarding the reviewer comment for minor revision; "Reviewer #1: If the area of pathology was 5 cm distal to the gastro - oesophageal junction as mentioned, would you consider it as Oesophageal pathology or a Gastric one?" We are sorry for making the wording of the article confusing which might have raised this concern. We have adjusted the manuscript and highlighted in yellow the restructured sentence, present in 4th paragraph under **Laboratory and imaging examinations** section, in order to improve the clarity of the text.

The font has been changed to Book Antiqua style size 12. A title page with author details, including ORCID ID has been added as advised. Statements regarding author contributions, Care Checklist, informed consent, conflict of interest and financial support are added in **DECLARATIONS** section in the main manuscript. A running title has been added. A CORE TIP of 100 words has been added to the manuscript.

The section titled **CASE PRESENTATION** has been restructured with subheadings as suggested. The headings are edited with the main headings having all characters bold and capitals and subsequent subheadings having bold and italicized characters as suggested. The in-text referencing has been edited as advised as well.

References are edited as advised with inclusion of PMID and DOIs. The articles that had neither PMID nor DOI are reference no. 7, 9 and 13. We have provided the image of the first page of these articles as a supplementary material file as suggested.

A separate, fully decomposable file containing the figures has been attached. It was prepared on PowerPoint where all the text and markers are editable. The abbreviations present in the Figure legend have been replaced by their full forms.

All the supporting documents required are attached except for "49035-Approved Grant Application Form(s) or Funding Agency Copy of any Approval Document(s)" because no financial support was received for generation of this manuscript, and "49035-Video" because there is no video file to submit with this case report.

We have tried, to the best of our abilities, to address all the issues raised concerning our case report. Kindly reach out to me with any further enquiries regarding the manuscript.

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