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Editors-in-Chief

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Dear Editors,

We have received your letter with the comments about our manuscript ***“TWO-STAGE HEPATECTOMY WITH RADIOEMBOLIZATION FOR BILATERAL COLORECTAL LIVER METASTASES: A CASE REPORT AND REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE”*** (Manuscript NO.: 61113, Case Report) and we are glad to know about the interest expressed in reviewing the paper again if certain revisions are made in the manuscript.

We have modified the paper according to the referee's suggestions as well as the editorial comments and hope that all the concerns have been appropriately addressed. The changes made in the manuscript were highlighted in red color. Minor language issues have been resolved.

All the authors have seen this version of the manuscript and agree with the modifications that have been performed.

Specific answers to comments:

Reviewer#1:

Comment 1: *This is the first report on the efficacy and safety of two-step hepatectomy combined with radio-embolization in the treatment of metastatic colorectal liver metastases. The results showed that the two-step hepatectomy combined with radio-embolization was safe and reliable, which not only guaranteed the regeneration of reserved liver volume, but also could control the progression of tumor and had the value of application. But further clinical studies are needed.*

Response: We thank the reviewer for his/her comment.

Science editor:

Comment 1: *The “Author Contributions” section is missing. Please provide the author contributions.*

Response: We apologized for this. We have now added the author contributions section to the Manuscript.

Comment 2: *The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor.*

Response: We have now provided decomposable Figures and organized them into a single PowerPoint file, and submitted as “61113-Figures.ppt” on the system.

Comment 3: *PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout.*

Response: We have now added PMID to the references.

Comment 4: *The “Case Presentation” section was not written according to the Guidelines for Manuscript Preparation. Please re-write the “Case Presentation” section, and add the “FINAL DIAGNOSIS”, “TREATMENT”, and “OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP” sections to the main text, according to the Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision.*

Response: We have now rewritten the manuscript according to the Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision.

Company editor-in-chief:

Comment 1: *Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, “Figure 1 Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ...”.*

Response: We thank the reviewer for his/her comment. Actually, Figure 1 and 3 showed similar content, since they represented CT scan before and after the radioembolization treatment. However, Figure 2 did not and therefore it was not possible to embed them into a single file.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any further revision of our manuscript needed. Looking forward to a favorable response, I thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

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