

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

Dear Editor,

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Title: Tumor characteristics of ductal carcinoma *in situ* of breast visualized on [F-18] fluorodeoxyglucose-positron emission tomography/computed tomography: Results from a retrospective study

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

Reviewer 1:

Thank you for sending your comments.

As you have mentioned, we emphasize that PET/CT has limitation in DCIS less than 20 mm in the diameter. This was reflected in the last paragraph of the discussion section.

Reviewer 2:

Thank you for sending your comments.

We are very sorry for not enough descriptions and presentation of results from limited number of patients. As you have pointed out, we are planning to further prospective study to validate the results of this manuscript.

Reviewer 3:

Thank you for sending your comments. According to your suggestions, we have revised in the prior version.

- 1) As you have pointed out, invasive intervention was main limitation in our study. This was reflected in Page 19, Line 14.
- 2) We have changed the title and abstract.
- 3) We have described clearly in abstract and M&Ms section.
- 4) Clinical relevance was added in the first paragraph of discussion section (Page 15, Line 8) and the last paragraph of discussion section (Page 19, Line 7).
- 5) We changed pure DCIS into DCIS without microinvasion.
- 6) We added statistical description in Page 12, Line 5.
- 7) We changed comedonecrosis into comedo necrosis throughout manuscript.
- 8) We quitted to use abbreviations of imaging modality.
- 9) We have changed the sentence that occult DCIS is occasionally identified (Page 5, Line 7).
- 10) We have changed the sentence in Page 5 Line 8.
- 11) We have changed the headline.
- 12) We have changed into breastfeeding.
- 13) We have changed into breast conserving surgery and skin sparing mastectomy.
- 14) We have clearly stated number of patients (n=43).

- 15) We have changed into menopausal status and phase of the menstrual cycle.
- 16) We have changed into hormone receptor status.
- 17) The description regarding statistical statement was revised (Page 12, Line 5).
- 18) We have changed sentence in Page 15, Line 5.
- 19) We have added one paragraph prior to limitation in the last paragraph of the discussion section.
- 20) We have changed into HER-2.
- 21) We have added referred figures in results section.
- 22) We are sorry that we can't change all p-value without significance into n.s