

Dear editor.

We are submitting the edited manuscript that revised according to reviewers' suggestion.

We wish to thank you for the valuable comments and helpful suggestion.

#### **Response to the Reviewer 00071054's Comments**

1. I would like to know the standard follow-up program of patients who underwent total gastrectomy in the authors' country. In the reviewer's country, vitamin B12 is usually administered to these patients regularly by the general practitioner even after completion of follow-up visit at the hospital where they underwent operation.

: Thank you for good question. In our country, there is no standard follow-up program. Follow-up program is different for each institution. In our institution, we check a patient every 6 months after surgery for 5 years. After 5 years, check a patient annually. If the patient showed vitamin B12 deficiency, vitamin B12 is administered by intramuscular injection.

2. Informed consent statement may be required when submitting case report.

: In the response to this comment, we added informed consent statement.

#### **Response to the Reviewer 02468626's Comments**

1. please provide all the laboratory values and normal ranges in a table to improve the readability of the text.

: In the response to this comment, we added a table.

#### **Response to the Reviewer 00227386's Comments**

1. This is a concise and well written paper about the possibility of subacute combined degeneration arising from vitamin B12 deficiency following a gastrectomy. More could be said in the penultimate paragraph of the 'Discussion' about the importance of long-term monitoring of gastrectomy patients for nutritional deficiencies including suitable references. Two possible references are given below:- 1.Tovey FI, Godfrey JE, and the late Lewin MR. A gastrectomy population: 25-30 years on. Postgrad Med J 1990; 66: 450-456. 2.Tovey FI. Post-gastrectomy patients need to be followed up for 20-30 years. World J Gastroenterol 2000; 6(1): 45-48.

: In response to this comment, we added the references.

2. At the end of the 'Abstract' the word 'activities' needs to follow the word 'daily'.

: In response to this comment, we added the word 'activities' after 'daily'.

3. Figures 1 and 2. The areas showing high signal intensity are not clear and need to be enhanced.

: In response to this comment, we changed the figures that showing high signal intensity clearly.

#### **Response to the Reviewer 03270412's Comments**

Dear Authors It is a good example for the following the patients with gastrectomy

: Thank you for your review.