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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format(file name: 4198-review)

**Title:** Pulmonary artery sarcoma successfully treated by right pneumonectomy after definitive diagnosis

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestion of the reviewer

(1)This article includes a number of figures. They need to be merged or deleted. ⇒ We deleted figure 1 and 5.

(2)Table 1 can be summarized into the text. ⇒ We revised the text according to the suggestion.

(3)Discussion is too long and verbose. ⇒ We revised and shortened the sentences.

(4)For right pneumonectomy, they performed median sternotomy, not right thoracotomy, I wonder why this approach is chosen. ⇒ We think surgical approach is a very important point in this article. We think median sternotomy is the best suited for exposing the right main pulmonary artery *at its origin* where the tumor had extended. I could not find the description about the mediastinal lymph node dissection. ⇒ We added the description of lymph node dissection.

(5)I wonder preoperative PET/CT, if any. ⇒ We added the description of PET/CT.

(6)They performed both thrombolytic therapy and the placement of IVC filter. After the

treatment of PAS, is the IVC filter retrieved? ⇒ We added the description of the IVC filter.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

Sincerely yours.

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