

### **Point-by-point response to the Reviewer's comments**

We were delighted to receive the comments from the Reviewer for the above noted manuscript. We wish to thank the Editor and Reviewer very much for their careful and thoughtful reviews and insightful comments and suggestions to improve the quality and impact of the manuscript. We have addressed each of the concerns below, on a point-by-point basis, making changes to the manuscript accordingly, which are underlined and highlighted in red. We believe that the manuscript has been significantly strengthened as a result of their recommendations. We very much appreciate the opportunity to submit this revised manuscript, and do hope that, with these changes and clarifications, our work might be suitable for publication in *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

Thanks again and best regards,

De-xin Yu

1. **Reviewer comment:** If available, provide information about the death of the patient.

**Author response:** We thank the reviewer to underline this important issue.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: Regretfully, the patient died from multiple organ failures at three months postoperatively (page 5, lines 136-137).

2. **Reviewer comment:** Introduction Lines 64: "...therapeutic outcome ...has been remarkably improved...", not "elevated"

**Author response:** Thank you very much for this useful comment.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: Though the therapeutic outcome of paratesticular RMS has been remarkably improved, it still depends on the tumor grade, distant disease and tumor cell histology<sup>[4,5]</sup> (page 3, lines 63-65).

3. **Reviewer comment:** Introduction Lines 73: add "and is" before "especially misled..."

**Author response:** Thank you very much for this valuable suggestion.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: The imagological diagnosis of pleomorphic RMS of spermatic cord is still challenging if the mass is not confined to paratesticular tissue, and is especially misled by a concomitantly secondary hydrocele. (page 3, lines 73-75).

4. **Reviewer comment:** Introduction lines 86-87: change to "...irreducible, the left testicle was not palpable and transillumination test was positive."

**Author response:** Again, we thank the reviewer very much for this useful comment.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: The scrotum was irreducible, the left testicle was not palpable and transillumination test was positive (page 4, lines 103-104).

5. **Reviewer comment:** Treatment line 103: change to: "...which lead to the diagnosis..."

**Author response:** Again, we thank the reviewer very much for this useful comment.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: Pathological analyses identified the mass were composed of sheets of giant atypical and pleomorphic cells with abundant eosinophilic cytoplasm, which lead to the diagnosis of pleomorphic RMS (Figure 3 A) (page 5, lines 123-126).

6. **Reviewer comment:** DISCUSSION lines 148-149: change the sentence to "Lack of pain in the mass contributed sometimes to therapeutic delays."

**Author response:** Thank you very much for this helpful comment.

**Author action:** This sentence was rewritten to read as: Lack of pain in the mass contributed sometimes to therapeutic delays (page 7, lines 169-170).

7. **Reviewer comment:** 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.

**Author response:** Thank you very much for this helpful comment.

**Author action:** All original pictures were all arranged in a PowerPoint file and can be reprocessed by the editor.

8. **Reviewer comment:** The "Case Presentation" section was not written according to the Guidelines for Manuscript Preparation. Please re-write the "Case Presentation" section, according to the Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision.

**Author response:** Again, we thank you very much for this helpful comment.

**Author action:** The "Case Presentation" section has been rewritten according to the Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision (pages 4-5, lines 82-111).

9. **Reviewer comment:** Please provide the decomposable figure of Figures, whose parts are movable and editable. So you can put the original pictures in PPT and submit it in the system. Please provide the decomposable figure of all the figures, whose parts are all movable and editable, organize them into a PowerPoint file, and submit as “Manuscript No. - image files.ppt” on the system. Make sure that the layers in the PPT file are fully editable. For figures, use distinct colors with comparable visibility and consider colorblind individuals by avoiding the use of red and green for contrast. Please read these four important guidelines carefully and modify your figure(s) accordingly: First, all submitted figures, including the text contained within the figures, must be editable. Please provide the text in your figure(s) in text boxes. Second, for line drawings that were automatically generated with software, please provide the labels/values of the ordinate and abscissa in text boxes. Third, please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor. Fourth, in consideration of color-blind readers, please avoid using red and green for contrast in vector graphics or images.

**Author response:** Again, we thank you very much for this helpful comment.

**Author action:** All decomposable figures of Figures were all arranged in a PowerPoint file and can be reprocessed by the editor.

10. **Review comment:** 54813\_List of issues that need to be addressed by authors in conditionally accepted manuscript.

**Author response:** Again, we thank you very much for this helpful comment.

**Author action:** Page numbers are located at the bottom right corner of the page. Line numbers are deleted. All decomposable figures of Figures were all arranged in a PowerPoint file and can be reprocessed by the editor.