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Dear Editors,

We would like to thank you for reviewing our manuscript, “Individualized treatment for gastric cancer with simultaneous rib metastasis: A case report and review of the literature”. We appreciate the opportunity to revise the manuscript according to the recommendations of reviewers. Please find below our responses to those comments, together with any corrections. We have revised the manuscript after due consideration of the comments and suggestions. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Reviewers' comments:

Reviewer #1:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade A (Excellent)

**Language Quality:** Grade B (Minor language polishing)

**Conclusion:** Accept (General priority)

**Specific Comments to Authors:** This case study demonstrates the importance of individual treatment in rare case of gastric cancer. The rationale for selecting CAPOX plus apatinib may be added or discussed in history of present illness. The efficacy of CAPOX plus apatinib may be examined further. Proofreading is needed.

■ Thank you for your comments. We reviewed the literature and added some information for selecting CAPOX plus apatinib in this patient (Line 15-23, p8). We will continue to follow up and observe the effects of chemotherapy further.

**(1) Science editor:** 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a case report of treatment for gastric cancer with metastasis. The topic is within the scope of the WJG. (1) Classification: Grade A; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The authors found that this case study demonstrates the importance of individual treatment in rare case of gastric cancer. The rationale for selecting CAPOX plus apatinib may be added or discussed in history of present illness. The efficacy of CAPOX plus apatinib may be examined further; and (3) Format: There are 4 figures. A total of 20 references are cited, including 4 references published in the last 3 years. There are no self-citations. 2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade B. A language editing certificate issued by AJE was provided. 3 Academic norms and rules: Please provided the signed Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form and Copyright License Agreement. Written informed consent was provided. The authors need to fill out the CARE Checklist–2016 with page numbers. No academic misconduct was found in the CrossCheck detection and Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an unsolicited manuscript. The topic has not previously been published in the WJG. The corresponding author has not published

articles in the BPG. Without financial support. 5 Issues raised: (1) I found the authors did not provide the original figures. 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. Re-Review: Not required. 7 Recommendation: Conditionally accepted.

■ Thank you for your comments. We have answered for the reviewers' comments appropriately. Besides Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form and Copyright License Agreement have been signed, the CARE Checklist–2016 has been filled out with page numbers, and all of them have been uploaded to the system. The Figure has been also submitted as a separate .ppt file.

**(2) Editorial office director:** I have checked the comments written by the science editor.

**(3) Company editor-in-chief:** I recommend the manuscript to be published in the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery.