

Dear Dr. Lian-Sheng Ma,

Thank you very much for your letter and encouraging comments regarding our manuscript (ID: 62096). We feel fortunate that our manuscript was assigned to the two reviewers, whose comments are valuable and constructive. After carefully studying these comments and suggestions, we have revised the manuscript. We hope that the revised version of the manuscript will meet with your approval.

Point-by-point responses to the reviewers' comments are listed below this letter. All changes made in the revised manuscript are marked in red in the manuscript with tracked changes.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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We would like to express our sincere thanks to the reviewers for the constructive and positive comments.

**Replies to Reviewer 1.1:**

In this study, the authors showed a rare case report of Meigs syndrome with pleural effusion as the initial symptom, and discussed the syndrome in combination with the literature. This is a good job, which can provide a certain reference for the diagnosis and treatment of clinical Meigs syndrome. However, I think the manuscript should be appropriately revised for better publication.

Line 79: A 52-year-old female presented to a local hospital (China) with....

I suggest adding the name of the city where the patient is located.

**Response: Thank you very much for your advice.**

**The name of the city where the patient is located has been added to our manuscript on**

lines 147-148.

**Replies to Reviewer 1.2:**

CASE PRESENTATION

For this case, no timeline is described.

I suggest adding a more detailed timeline, to facilitate readers to understand the patient's progress.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have added the detailed timeline (Figure 5) in the revised manuscript.

**Replies to Reviewer 1.3:**

Line 123-124: The patient and family member insisted on a hysterectomy and left salpingo-oophorectomy, which were performed.

Are there any tests for the removed uterus and left tube? If so, please state the result.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have added more details under the "Pathological examinations" section.

**Replies to Reviewer 1.4:**

CASE PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION

The authors did not describe the prognosis and follow-up of the patient in order to further evaluate the treatment effect. If you know, please list; if you don't know or cannot be reached, please explain.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have added the details about the prognosis and follow-up of the patient under the "OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP" section.

**Replies to Reviewer 1.5:**

Signed Informed Consent Form(s) or Document(s), and Line 227-232.

Attached file is a surgical consent form.

However, the manuscript should be published with a separate informed consent form;

if it is considered that the informed consent can be exempted, it should also be approved by the ethics committee of the author's institution.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have added the relevant informed consent form.

#### **Replies to Reviewer 1.6:**

Table 1

For “White blood cell count” and “Monocytes”, the number of digits after the decimal point is not uniform.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have modified the number of digits after the decimal point.

#### **Replies to Reviewer 2:**

In this study, the authors showed a rare case report of Meigs syndrome with pleural effusion as the initial symptom, and discussed the syndrome in combination with the literature. This is a good job, which can provide a certain reference for the diagnosis and treatment of clinical Meigs syndrome. However, I think the manuscript should be appropriately revised for better publication.

**Response:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have made the modifications suggested by the reviewer.

#### **Replies to Editorial comments:**

(1) Science editor: 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a case report of the Meigs syndrome with pleural effusion as the initial symptom. The topic is within the scope of the WJCC. (1) Classification: Two Grades C; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: This is a good job, which can provide a certain reference for the diagnosis and treatment of clinical Meigs syndrome. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; (3) Format: There is 1 table and 4 figures; (4) References: A total of 17 references are cited, including 2 references published in the last 3 years; (5) Self-cited references: There is no self-cited reference; and (6)

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**Response: Thank you very much for your suggestion. The manuscript has been carefully revised according to your valuable suggestions.**

(2) Company editor-in-chief: I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Clinical Cases, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for

Manuscript Revision by Authors. Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, “Figure 1 Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ...”.

Response: Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have made some changes according to your suggestion.