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Dear editor,

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**Title: Bystander effect and abscopal effect in recurrent thymic carcinoma treated with carbon-ion radiation therapy: 1 case report**

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First of all, thank you for your careful guidance of this article. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer:

**Reviewer: 02495410**

An abscopal effect is a result of the regression of non-irradiated metastatic lesions following the irradiation of a distant tumor location. There have been no reports for both effects in one patient, even with photon or proton irradiation. In this report, the authors reported a rare case of a patient who demonstrated a bystander effect and an abscopal effect following carbon-ion irradiation for recurrent thymic carcinoma. The manuscript is very well written, and the case is described in detail. The reviewer suggests to accept this case for publication after a minor revision. Comments: 1. Some minor language polishing should be corrected. Please check and edit the manuscript carefully according to the journal's guidelines. In particular, the reviewer found the Case Report section is different with of which in the case report samples of the journal. 2. Please separate the discussion and conclusion. This section should be divided into two separate parts. 3. The figure 1 are too small, please replace the images with high resolving power images.

Thank you for your advice.

After receiving the comments, we read the article carefully and found some small loopholes in the language of the article and made modifications. We edit the manuscript carefully according to the journal's guidelines, and added

a conclusion. In addition, we have also modified the figures.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Clinical Cases.

Sincerely Yours,

Yancheng Ye