

ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 6860-review.doc).

Title: Diagnosis and evaluation of gastric cancer with positron emission tomography

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

1 Format has been updated.

2 Manuscript has been edited by suggested editing company (AJE) for language polishing.

3 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) The reviewer suggested we use more data published in systematic reviews and meta-analyses. Accordingly, we have added several published systematic reviews and meta-analyses into the manuscript (including the red part in page 7 and page 12) and discussed about them as needed.

(2) The reviewer suggested we delete the original Table 1 after adding new systematic reviews and meta-analyses into the text. Accordingly, we have deleted it and changed the table orders in a

new sequence.

(3) The reviewer said our text missed several guidelines on PET/CT usage in gastric cancer. Accordingly, we have added NCCN and ESMO guidelines in the text (see page 4 with red part) and explained them as needed.

(4) The reviewer suggested we add a little section about tumor biology in the section 'Detection and evaluation of primary gastric cancer', so we have added this part in page 7.

(5) The reviewer suggested we delete previous Figure 2 since the dual time imaging value is not clear, so we have deleted it and rearranged the figure order accordingly.

(6) The reviewer claimed that the legend to previous Fig 2 was not clear. Therefore, we have edited it and made it more understandable. Please see page 20 legend for (now) Figure 1.

(7) The reviewer suggested we cut away material that was already known to the targeted readers already to make the manuscript shorter. Accordingly, we have deleted several words that can be cut away (we have deleted several texts before the blue words on page 13, 8, 7, 6, 5 and 4).

4 References and typesetting were corrected.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,



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