

Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "*Hepatoid adenocarcinoma of the stomach with neuroendocrine differentiation: A Case Report*" (ID: 84835). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised portion are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewer's comments are as flowing:

Responds to the reviewer's comments:

Reviewer #1:

1. Response to comment: **(Is there any DATA and survival with Liver Transplant for these tumors similar to GEP net's? DID THE AUTHORS HAVE ANY DATA ON THE USE OF LIVER TRANSPLANT FOR THIS HISTOTYPE OF NET?)**

Response: Thanks for your enlightening suggestions. However, we searched the database and there were no reports of liver transplantation for hepatoid adenocarcinoma of the stomach. We were sorry that our cancer center does not perform liver transplants so we don't have any data.

Reviewer #2:

1. Response to comment: **(There are many misspelled words such as these words: However, differentiation, componen. Please, recheck.)**

Response: We sincerely thank the reviewer for careful reading. We have carefully checked the article and changed these errors. In addition, we used language editing services provided by the biomedical editing companies to help polish our article as suggested by the editor.

2. Response to comment: **(There are some abbreviations appearing without clarification such as: Hp, TNM. Please, recheck and add clarification for each abbreviation at first appearance within the text. Also, you can add a section for clarification of all abbreviations.)**

Response: We were really sorry for our careless mistakes. we are not sure if adding this section is compliant, so we recheck and add clarification for each abbreviation at first appearance within the text. We replaced the Hp with **Helicobacter Pylori** because this word appeared only once, We add clarification to as TNM (**tumor node metastasis**).

3. Response to comment: **(Please, add your case results to Table 1)**

Response: We have added our case results to table1.

4. Response to comment: **(You wrote "He died 27mo after the operation."**

Please, clarify the possible cause for death and your suggestion to improve the outcome in the future cases.)

Response: We forgot to analyze the cause of death of the patient. We added that" **due to the tumor multiple metastases. We thought that aggressive surgical resection with postoperative chemotherapy to control tumor progression may improve patients' outcome."** at the OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP part.

5. Response to comment: **(Please, delete this title "LITERATURE REVIEW" & add its contents to section of Discussion. You can also delete this sentence "We searched PubMed and Embase for literature of stomach cancer including hepatoid adenocarcinoma and neuroendocrine Components.")**

Response: Thank you very much for your suggestions! We have delete this title "LITERATURE REVIEW" & add its contents to section of Discussion. We replaced the sentence **"We searched PubMed and Embase for literature of stomach cancer including hepatoid adenocarcinoma and neuroendocrine Components"** with **"We retrieved 6 patients of stomach cancer including hepatoid adenocarcinoma and neuroendocrine Components"** .

6. Response to comment: **(Please, add to the conclusion the lessons learned from reporting this case and also recommendations.)**

Response: We also added the sentence to the conclusions part——We thought that aggressive surgical resection with postoperative chemotherapy to control tumor progression may improve patients' outcome.

Company editor-in-chief #3:

Response to comment:

Response: we used language editing services provided by the biomedical editing companies to help polish our article as suggested by the editor. We prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint, we submit a file named as "84835-Figures.ppt. We did not find the right place to upload table and figure, so we upload **Figure.ppt** at "Approved Grant Application Form(s) or Funding Agency Copy of any Approval Document(s)" part and **Table 1** at "Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form" part.

We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes in the manuscript. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper. We appreciate for Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly, and hope that the correction will meet with approval. Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

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