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The manuscript provides valuable insights into the clinical features, diagnosis, and treatment effects of Whipple's disease in a renal transplant patient. The objectives are clearly stated, and the results section effectively presents the case study, including the patient's symptoms, diagnostic process, treatment outcomes, and follow-up results.

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张涛 Tao Zhang. E-mail: enric_olivera@sina.com 贵州医科大学附属医院 移植科
Manuscript ID: 86772 Manuscript Title: Diagnosis and Treatment of Whipple's Disease After Renal Transplantation: A Case Report and Literature Review Journal: World Journal of Clinical Cases The case is meaningful and interesting, as well as provide a reference for the timely diagnosis and treatment of the clinically rare and specific pathogenic infection Whipple's disease. The authors found that if a patient enrolls with diarrhea and symptoms of motor, respiratory, cardiovascular, or other systems after renal transplantation and indicates poor outcomes after conventional management, Whipple's disease should be considered. PCR or mNGS testing can be performed on the appropriate specimens for early detection of pathogens for targeted anti-infective treatment. However, some contents are suggested to be revised before the manuscript is published. My comments are as follows. 1.It is recommended to set consecutive line numbers for the manuscript to facilitate reviewers' review. 2.the format of the first level title in the main text is inconsistent, with some having a serial number and some not. It is recommended to modify it. Title Section 3.Revise "Disease After" to



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"Disease after". Abstract Section 4. Revise "the clinical features of Whipple" to "clinical features of Whipple". 5. Revise "The clinical data of" to "Clinical data of". 6. Revise "adjusting the immunosuppressive regimen" to "adjusting immunosuppressive regimen". 7. Revise "the water-electrolyte balance" to "water-electrolyte balance". Introduction Section 8. Revise "the standard treatment" to "standard treatment". 9. Revise "the general population" to "general population". 10. Revise "Tropheryma whipplei (T. whipplei) is a Gram-positive actinomycete widely found" to "Tropheryma whipplei (T. whipplei), a Gram-positive actinomycete, is widely found". 11. Revise "disease include intermittent" to "disease included intermittent". 12. Revise "This case reports the clinical" to "This case aimed to report clinical". 13. Revise "is also included" to "was also included". 1. Clinical data Section 14. Revise "The donor received the left" to "The patient received left". Is the change right? 15. Revise "was A" to "is A". 16. Revise "glucocorticoids for prolonged" to "glucocorticoids was used to prolong". 17. Revise "The patient visited the hospital with 1 month of diarrhea" to "The patient with 1 month of diarrhea visited the hospital". 18. Revise "38.5°C" to "38.5 °C". 19. Revise "1200 ml" to "1200 mL". 20. Revise "hypertension, diabetes, coronary heart disease, tuberculosis, hepatitis B, etc"? 21. Revise "History of infectious diseases such as "Hepatitis B.""? 22. Revise "contact with infected" to "contacting with infected". 23. Revise "37.8°C" to "37.8 °C". 24. Revise "8.94×10⁹/L" to "8.94 × 10⁹/L". Are the change right? 25. Revise "lymphocyte value= 0.38×10⁹/L" to "lymphocyte value = 0.38 × 10⁹/L". Please pay attention to similar problems. 26. Revise "0.45µg/L" to "0.45 µg/L". Please pay attention to similar problems. 27. Revise "= <37.5" to "≤ 37.5". Is the change right? 28. Revise "detected Whipple's nutrient barrier sequence" to "Whipple's nutrient barrier sequence was detected". 29. Revise "the literature was reviewed" to "literatures was reviewed". Discussion Section 30. Revise "The international literature reports" to "A study reported". 31. Revise "It can affect multiple cardiovascular" to "It can affect multiple systems such

as cardiovascular". Are the change right? 32.Revise "by tissue biopsy" to "using tissue biopsy". 33.Revise "repeated sampling and" to "repeated sampling, and". 34.Revise "doxycycline, hydroxychloroquine, etc" to "doxycycline, and hydroxychloroquine". 35.Revise "the literature reports a recurrence rate of this disease is 30% to 40%" to "A research reported that a recurrence rate of this disease was 30% to 40%". In addition, please supplement information on the reference to support above contents. 36.Revise "is proposed" to "was proposed". 37.Revise ">6 months" to "> 6 months". 38.Revise "and fever and had" to "and fever, as well as had". Conclusion Section 39.Revise "patients causes" to "patients can cause".