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Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you very much for the helpful critiques of the reviewers and the chance to revise the manuscript entitled “Unusual case of an isolated fungus ball in a single cell of the left ethmoid roof with headache as the first symptom” (Submission ID: Manuscript NO.: 63161, Case Report). All the comments are valuable and constructive for revising and improving our manuscript.

#### **Reviewer 1**

1. A well written manuscript presenting an uncommon presentation of a common condition. On page 2, line 43, it is written the CT showed "round soft tissue mass in the left ethmoid roof cell was observed". Actually the CT scan showed opacity at the left ethmoid sinus and not only at the roof. This needs to be corrected.

**Response:** We appreciate the comment. The ethmoid cells is divided into two groups, anterior ethmoid cells and posterior ethmoid cells. Anterior ethmoid cells empty into the middle meatus while posterior ethmoid cells empty into the superior meatus. The ethmoid roof cell is is one of the posterior ethmoid cells which empty into the superior meatus, it is clinically significant as its superior boundary is the central ethmoid skull base (ethmoid roof). Hence, we name the cell as ethmoid roof cell, which is one of the posterior ethmoid cells that connected to the ethmoid roof. We also added this into the induction section (Ling 36-42, Page 2). As shown it the CT scan (Figure 1, A-C), that round soft tissue mass (the red arrow in Figure 1) is in a

single cell whose superior boundary is the left ethmoid roof. Hence, we described the round soft tissue mass “in the left ethmoid roof cell was observed”.

We deeply appreciate the editors’ and reviewers’ time and efforts. We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made revisions based on the reviewer’s recommendations and suggestions. We hope that the revisions and corrections in the manuscript and the point-by-point responses will be sufficient to make our study qualified for publication. If you have any concerns or questions regarding our manuscript, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Best regards,  
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