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Dear editors and reviewers:

Thank you very much for your attention and the referee's evaluation and comments on our paper (Manuscript ID: 68072). We have checked the manuscript and revised it according to the comments. We submit here the revised manuscript as well as a list of changes.

1. Comment: It would be necessary to include a broader and deeper state of affairs.

Response: According to the reviewer's comment, we have carefully revised our manuscript (especially in "Introduction").

The state of affairs is described in more detail in the following aspects, including the previously reported kindreds, clinicopathological characteristics, pathological change of skin, mutant genes, treatment and prognosis.

2. Comment: The concluding section should summarize the scientific contributions made and establish a set of future lines of work.

Response: Thank you for your valuable suggestion. We re-wrote the "Conclusion" section and summarized the diagnostic process of familial GISTs. Besides, we added the information about therapy project, possible prognosis and genetic counseling, so as to provide the clinical reference for practice in the future.

2. Comment: Each case study should be better explained.

Response: Thank you very much to point out our deficiencies. According to the requirements on writing of this journal, we reviewed the whole paper and illustrated the

development and outcome of each patient more clearly. The main work are listed as follows (in section "Case Presentation"): the occurrence of familial GISTs, corresponding examinations, family history and diagnostic basis.

We acknowledge the reviewer's comments and suggestions very much, which are valuable in improving the quality of our manuscript. Should you have any questions, please contact us without hesitate.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours

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