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Dear Editor,

We would like to thank you for the thoughtful review of our manuscript. Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 12773-review.doc). All comments are addressed in order below with changes to the manuscript in italics to facilitate review.

**Title:** Reconstruction using a pedicled upper arm fillet flap after excision of a malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor: a case report

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**Name of Journal:** *World Journal of Clinical Cases*

**ESPS Manuscript NO:** 12773

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

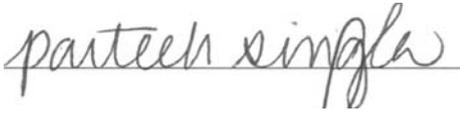
- 1 Format has been updated to fit with stated guidelines
  - Abstract, key words, and core tip sections added to the manuscript.
  - Headings changed to all capitalized, bold, Book Antiqua 12 point font.
  - Comments section added after manuscript text.
  
- 2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer
  - (1) Reviewer 2753135:
    - The indication for such extensive surgery in a metastatic (lung) setting can be questioned. Were there liver mets?
      - Response- No.
    - Although neo-adjuvant therapy was planned, this was not administered because of "disability" and "bleeding." The authors should give more details on the circumstances of why this adjuvant therapy was not given. What is meant by bleeding?
      - Response- More details were added on page 3 under Case Report, paragraph 1, lines 6-11.
    - Post operatively adjuvant chemo-radiation was planned. Patient developed a large recurrence early in the post op period (<3/12). Was patient actually given adjuvant therapy within the 3/12 period or was this delayed by wound healing?
      - Response- Treatment was delayed at outside facility secondary to patient compliance. Please see additional detail under Case Report, paragraph page 4, paragraph 4 lines 6-7.
    - Are there post op pictures?
      - Response- No.
  - (2) Reviewer 2508408: no suggested changes, we thank the reviewer for their positive comments.
  - (3) Reviewer 289416: no suggested changes, we thank the reviewer for their positive comments.
  
- 3 References were updated to include PMID and DOI citations.
  
- 4 Provided first page of following reference since it is not indexed in PubMed.

**Soft Tissue Sarcoma.** *NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®) 2013;*  
[http://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician\\_gls/pdf/sarcoma.pdf](http://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/sarcoma.pdf).

5 Decomposable figures are provided in the PowerPoint file 12773-Figures.ppt

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

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "parteek singla". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a thin horizontal line.

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