

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,



Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in word format (file name: 16548-review.doc).

Title: Pulmonary fibrosis and emphysema: is emphysema type associated with pattern of fibrosis?

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

1 Format has been updated.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer:

We have made our best efforts to improve the manuscript according to the valuable suggestions of Reviewers. Please note that all changes made in the manuscript are typed in "pink colour":

Reviewer comment: "I would only suggest to trim the Manuscript in order to make it a bit shorter.

Thank you for your constructive recommendation. We struggled to make the manuscript shorter but we felt that we could not take out any part especially from the Materials & Methods nor from the Discussion as we thought that 1) the reader would have difficulty in understanding the methodology and 2) that the relevant literature is so limited and with contradicting results that we had to give a thorough interpretation of all the results of this study that could serve as a baseline for future studies. If you could recommend us which specific parts you think should be taken out, we would be happy to follow your recommendation.

The old reference number 12: "American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory Society International Multidisciplinary Consensus classification of the Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med* 2002; 165: 277-304 [PMID: 11790668]" was changed to the most updated version of this consensus with the new reference number 14: "Travis WD, Costabel U, Hansell DM, et al. ATS/ERS Committee on Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias. An official American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory Society statement: Update of the international multidisciplinary classification of the idiopathic interstitial pneumonias. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med* 2013; 188: 733-748 [PMID: 24032382 DOI: 10.1164/rccm.201308-1483ST]". Appropriate changes in numbering of the old references 13 and 14 were made.

According to the updated reference (14) appropriate change of the term "probable UIP" to

“possible UIP” was made throughout the manuscript.

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

Thank you again for considering publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Radiology*.

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