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We thank the reviewers who carefully reviewed our manuscript. The following is a summary of the revisions we made in response to the reviewers’ comments.

Reviewer #1:

Major compulsory revisions

1. Reply: We rewrote this sentence (Page 5 Line 6-9)

2. Reply: The test was repeated by both the hospital and institute, and the hospital did the original testing.

3. Reply: The institute is Beijing Institute of Microbiology and Epidemiology (Page 5 Line 13)

4. Reply: Two sentences were reversed (Page 5 Line 20-22).

5. Reply: We may misunderstand the word “convulsion”. For our patients, they appeared uncontrolled shaking of the body on their admission to the hospital. They did not have seizure or status epilepticus. We replaced “convulsion” with “uncontrolled shaking of the body” (Page 6 Line 4)

6. Reply: please see Reply 5 (Page 6 Line 8)

7. Reply: We added this sentence (Page 7 Line 10).

8. Reply: We deleted the word “personal communication”, and replaced with the reference 11.

9. Reply: There were no other reports of adverse events following live, attenuated JE vaccine in other areas of China at a similar time.

10. Reply: We did it (Table 1).
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12. Reply: We did it (Page 3 Line 18).

13. Reply: We replaced the previous reference 6 as reviewer’s suggestion.

14. Reply: We did it (Page 5 Line 3).

15. Reply: We did it (Page 5 Line 13).

16. Reply: We did it (Page 6 Line 3).

17. Reply: We did it (Page 6 Line 4).

18. Reply: We did it (Page 6 Line 10).

19. Reply: We deleted the word “prolonged” (Page 6 Line 11).

20. Reply: We did it (Page 6 Line 13).

21. Reply: We did it (Page 6 Line 14).

22. Reply: We did it (Page 9 Line 9).

23. Reply: They conducted the laboratory testing (Page 10 Line 14).