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Title: Invasive fungal infection among hematopoietic stem cell transplantation patients with mechanical ventilation in the intensive care unit

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Dear Dr. Diana Marshall and Nikolaos Markou:

Thanks you for the opportunity to revise our manuscript. We had revised our manuscript in light of the reviewer’s concern and comments. We resubmit the revision of detailed discussion and response to the reviewer’s concern and comments. Please reconsider it for publication.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to revise this manuscript.

Sincerely,

Chen-Yiu Hung

Reviewers' comments:
In revising the manuscript, the Methods section has been removed from the abstract. We would therefore be grateful if you could revise the abstract to include the following sections: Background, Methods, Results and Conclusions.

Response:
On the page 2, Abstract section: We corrected my background paragraph and added one Method paragraph in order of Background, Methods, Results and Conclusions.

1. on the paragraph 1 Background section, we deleted sentence “We performed an observational retrospective analysis of the characteristics and outcomes of IFIs in HSCT patients undergoing mechanical ventilation (MV) in an intensive care unit (ICU) from the year 2000 to 2009.” and add one sentence “The purpose of this study was to assess the characteristics and outcomes of HSCT patients with IFIs who are undergoing MV at a single institution in Taiwan”

2. on the paragraph 2 Method section, we corrected the abstract as following:

Methods: We performed an observational retrospective analysis of IFIs in HSCT patients undergoing mechanical ventilation (MV) in an intensive care unit (ICU) from...
the year 2000 to 2009. The characteristics of these HSCT patients and risk factors related to IFIs were evaluated. The status of discharge, length of ICU stay, date of death and cause of death were also recorded.