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Since only verbal consent was obtained from the patients, the Editorial Office asked us to modify the manuscript by removing individual details, specifically in table 1. The table is now modified. Gender and age information are combined at the bottom of the table. The columns containing "comments" and other diseases" have been removed. Since the table has been modified, we have also removed the following sentence from the text: "Three patients had no other disease, one had an additional Chlamydia infection, and one had received a renal transplant and was also being treated for epilepsy". We hope this is an appropriate response to the requirements.

A few printing errors have been corrected, and two sentences have been added to make the text more clear at two different points.