Author's response to reviews

Title: Do the mutations of C1GALT1C1 gene play important roles in the genetic susceptibility to Chinese IgA nephropathy?

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Dear Marshall,

Re: “Do the mutations of C1GALT1C1 gene play important roles in the genetic susceptibility to Chinese IgA nephropathy?” (MS: 4437889032345027).

We have revised the above paper according to the reviewer’s comments and recommendation. The answers for these questions were listed in the attached pages. We thank the reviewer and yourself for the valuable comments. And we have revised the style of our manuscript according to the guideline of the journal. We have also corrected some of our English expression in detail in the manuscript. We hope the revised form will be suitable for publication in your journal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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1. The reviewer commented that the follow-up of about 5 years was not sufficient enough to expect a hard endpoint as renal survival to demonstrate a significant difference between such groups of IgAN patients. We agreed with that comment. According to his suggestion, we completely delete the passage regarding the prognosis/progression.

Revised manuscript: Delete the line 6-10 in the second paragraph in Subjects of Methods; delete the line 7-8 in the first paragraph in Statistical Analysis of Methods; delete the third paragraph in Results; delete the line 4-5 in the fourth paragraph in Discussion; and delete the figure 1.