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Dear Dr. Le,

Thank you for help. The following is my point-by-point responses to the reviewers

*Please state in the manuscript file whether you obtained ethical approval for the study.*

The approval letter was faxed to the editorial office before and in the revision a sentence states as follows was added to the text:

“Informed consent was obtained in accordance with a protocol approved by the Wenzhou 2nd People Hospital Human Subject Review Board”.

*'Background' is misspelt on page 3

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*Please include an Authors' contributions section before the Acknowledgements and Reference list.*

The following was added to before the Acknowledgements and Reference list:

ST conceived of the study, carried out the molecular genetic studies and drafted the manuscript. QX carried out the molecular genetic studies. XX participated in the sequence analysis. JD participated in the clinical data collection and X-ray analysis. XY participated in the clinical data collection. YJ participated in the sequence analysis. XW participated in design and coordination. NS participated in 3-D modeling and manuscript preparation. TH participated in the experimental design, coordinate the project and manuscript preparation.

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