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Dear Editor,

Re: MS: 4979173634920508

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Thank you for giving us the opportunity to revise the format of our above manuscript.

We have revised the manuscript carefully according to your recommendation. Briefly speaking, the revision included the following issues:

1. The affiliation has been described.

2. Table 3 has been re-formatted.

The response to the each requirement was listed point-by-point in the attached pages.

We hope the revised form will be suitable for publication in your journal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Min Chen
Major revisions

1. **Affiliations**: Each affiliation should be written in full, in the following format: 
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   institution. It must be clear which author belongs to which affiliation, so please use
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   **Answer**: All the authors are from the same affiliation, which is “Renal Division,
   Department of Medicine, Peking University First Hospital; Institute of Nephrology,
   Peking University; Key Laboratory of Renal Disease, Ministry of Health of China;
   Beijing 100034, China.” And I have explained this on the title page.

2. **Tables**: please re-format table 3, tables must be divided into rows and columns.

   **Answer**: I have re-formatted table 3.

Minor revisions

1. **Title page**: please remove the running title.

   **Answer**: I have removed the running title.

2. **Structure**: please change 'Introduction' to 'Background'.

   **Answer**: I have changed 'Introduction' to 'Background'.

3. **Tables**: please note that we are unable to correctly display merged cells where the
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