Author's response to reviews

Title: Relationship between EGFR expression, copy number and mutation in lung adenocarcinomas

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Dear editors,

Thank you very much for your email about our manuscript (MS: 7645180083387644), we have read the reviewers’ suggestions carefully, and answer the questions point to point in following. The changed parts are in red color in our revised manuscript.

Answer to Reviewer: Robert Clifford

Minor Essential Revisions:
1) page 2
We have changed "all the result were after Bonferroni correction" to "after Bonferroni correction"
2) page 4:
We have changed "And the patients who were not previously treated with chemotherapy, radiation or anti-EGFR therapy were selected." to "None of the selected patients were previously treated with chemotherapy, radiation or anti-EGFR therapy."
3) page 9:
We have changed "Bonferroni correction were performed to multiple comparisons" to "Bonferroni correction was performed to adjust for multiple comparisons"
4) page 14:
We have changed "The relationship between high EGFR copy number and EGFR mutation was complicated, recent studies reported that mutant allele specific imbalance of oncogenes have been observed in tumor cells harboring gene mutation, copy number gain of EGFR usually occurred in the cells with EGFR mutation[32]," to "The relationship between high EGFR copy number and EGFR mutation is complex. Recent studies report a mutant allele specific imbalance of oncogenes in tumor cells harboring gene mutation; copy number gain of EGFR usually occurred in the cells with an EGFR mutation[32]."
5) page 14:
We have changed "Yatabe Y et al" to "Yatabe, et al."
6) page 14:
We have changed "Soh J et al" to "Soh, et al."

Answer to Reviewer: Maxwell Lee

We have consulted with statistician Dr. Qun Xu (From Peking Union Medical College) on the writing regarding Bonferroni correction. The revision results were confirmed correct.