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We greatly appreciate your suggestions. The following are answers to the suggestions.

Answers to editor #1: According to your suggestion, we added some explanation in the 18-20th line of Methods. 'This study complied with the standards of the Helsinki Declaration and current ethical guidelines and was approved by the institutional ethical board of the Jikei University Daisan Hospital.'

Answers to editor #2: According to your suggestion, we added some explanation about written informed consent in the 20-22th line of Methods. 'Written informed consent for participation in the study was not obtained from patients, because this study did not report on a clinical trial, and the data were retrospective in nature and analyzed anonymously.'

Answers to editor #3: According to your suggestion, we added an acknowledgements section.