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Title: Post-cataract endophthalmitis caused by multidrug-resistant Stenotrophomonas maltophilia: Clinical features and risk factors

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Dear Dr Alice Murray and Ms Erica Cruz,

Please find the 3rd revision edition of manuscript entitled “Post-cataract endophthalmitis caused by multidrug-resistant Stenotrophomonas maltophilia: Clinical features and risk factors” (MS:1915649775139748). We appreciate the suggestions from yours and revised the manuscripts accordingly.

1. We note that on table 1 you have included specific identifying features such as gender, age and surgery date. Please can you clarify whether you obtained consent to publish from the individuals in question. If you have not please remove these details and anonymize the table. If you want to summarize gender and age characteristics, please either describe these in terms of frequency, range, means etc.

We removed the specific features such as gender, age and surgery date from Table 1. We have already described the characteristics of gender and age in the text, so we did not add them again.

2. Please remove your certificate of editing from additional files.

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3. Thank you for clarifying that your consent form was approved by an ethics committee. However please clarify whether your study protocol was approved by this same ethics committee in the methods section of your manuscript.

Thanks. We added the clarification. “The study protocol followed the tenets of the Declaration of Helsinki and was approved by the ethics committee of Eye & ENT Hospital, Fudan University (IRB number: KJ2010-41).”

We examined the revised manuscript carefully to ensure that it conforms to the journal style. Your consideration of this revised manuscript for publication would
be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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