Author’s response to reviews

Title: Development of microscopic polyangiitis-related pulmonary fibrosis in a patient with autoimmune pulmonary alveolar proteinosis

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Dear Editors,

Enclosed please find the revised manuscript (MS: 2099119729137060) entitled “Development of microscopic polyangitis-related pulmonary fibrosis in a patient with autoimmune pulmonary alveolar proteinosis” by Kinehara et al.

We’d like to thank for your comment. We revised our manuscript again. Point-by-point replies to the comments are enclosed.

We hope that the revised manuscript is now suitable for publication in BMC Pulmonary Medicine. Thank you for your kind consideration of the revised manuscript.

Sincerely yours,

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Please clarify why written informed patient consent was not obtained from the patient directly?

Because the patient passed away due to the progression of respiratory failure, we could not obtain the written informed consent from the patient directly. We stated this in the revised manuscript (page 9, line 213).