Author's response to reviews

Title: Variation of C peptide decay rate in diabetic patients with positive glutamic acid decarboxylase antibody: better discrimination with initial fasting C peptide

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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for your advice on our revised manuscript. The responses to each point raised by the referees are listed as following,

Referee:

1. The paper has improved much, however, the factors which included as variates in multivariate analysis should be clarified ("Factors which influence the decline of beta cell function" part).

   **Response:** Thanks for the advice. We have added more information on the "Factors which influence the decline of beta cell function" part, please refer to the “Factors which influence the decline of beta cell function” part in the Results section.

2. It is better to note that similar curve to Fig.1 of this paper, that depict C-peptide declining in LADA patients with different initial C-peptide level, has been also reported (Diabets Res Clin Pract 2008, 114).

   **Response:** Thanks for the advice. We have added this information in the Discussion part (reference 26).

If there is any other information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me at hellolxwj@yahoo.com.cn.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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