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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you very much for your confirmation of accepting our paper to publish in your Journal and comments for us to improve the article format before publication. The following are corrections we did according to your requirements:

1. **Author list:** We have a request for not changing the author list in the Manuscript according to your submission system, since in Vietnamese language we always write family name first, following by middle name and last is the first name, and we recognize each other by the first name, not by family name. Therefore my full name should be Luu Ngoc Hoat (Luu is my family name and Hoat is my first name), not Hoat Ngoc Luu and when my full name is extracted, it should be Hoat LN, not Luu HN or Luu NH. If I change the order of Vietnamese author names in our article according to the submission system, we could not be recognized. Another important reason is that I just had one paper published in your Journal, in which the order of my full name in Luu Ngoc Hoat (see [http://www.biomedcentral.com/1472-6920/7/19](http://www.biomedcentral.com/1472-6920/7/19)) and my other articles published in other journals also used the same order (see [http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=0142-159X&volume=29&issue=7&spage=683&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=author_email]), so please accept my request.

2. **Abstract:** Thank you very much for your suggestion. I changed Study Subject and Methods to Methods.

3. **Section numbers:** Already removed

4. **Competing interests:** I changed according to your suggestion

5. **References:** I used Reference Manager software program to create those references. Anyway, I changed the way of extraction of the author names according to your suggestion. Besides that, the reference 5 now published (before was in press), so I changed the format as well)

6. **Additional files:** I added a short description of the additional file in the Manuscript as you suggested.

7. **Figure cropping:** Already minimized white space around the image.

8. **Figure order:** I already added figure 1 in the text.

Once again, thank you very much for your understanding and support.

Best regards

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