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Reviewer: RENYUAN LI

Reviewer's report:

Minor Essential Revisions:

1. spelling mistakes eg. 'partial pleura' on page 4.

   The spelling mistake has been corrected.

Discretionary Revisions

1. The paper will be improved if the author can supply some photoes of the tumor during operation and/or after operation.

   The article is retrospective. Photos of the tumor during operation and/or after operation can’t be obtained now. We feel regretful.

2. As the second operation was finished more than 1 year ago, can the author give us any follow-up information about the patient?

   We have added follow-up information about the patient at the end of first paragraph on page 5.

3. On discussion, several preoperative measurement for diagnosis are mentioned. As to this case, the misdiagnosis was made pathologically. So the discussion maybe should focus on pathology of SCC.

   We thought the key point of discussion should be focused on preoperative diagnosis approaches, so we had no reviewed pathological literatures.

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Minor Essential Revisions

1. Discussion, second paragraph, last sentence: it is necessary to carefully distinguish between the two.

"it is necessary to distinguish those two diseases carefully." might be more appropriate.

Done.

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