Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Professor Kidd,

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Please find enclosed the revised manuscript with the changes required for submission.

I would like to thank the reviewers for their helpful comments.

In regards to the first reviewer’s comments:

“I would consider including the pathology image from the case. I would also expand on how radiation-induced morphea differs from other complications of radiotherapy, and how to distinguish these complications from one another.”

1. Histopathology slides, previously not included in order not to exceed 3 figures, have now been included.
2. Paragraphs 3 and 4 in the discussion have already included explanations of the difference between radiation-induced morphea (RIM) and simple radiation fibrosis. I am not sure if this is what the first reviewer has in mind.

In regards to the second reviewer’s comments:

“Case report is well written. However abbreviation RIM should be expanded initially. Photograph demonstrating the histopathological features
would add to the quality of the case report.”

1. Abbreviation RIM has now been introduced in the abstract and the background.
2. Histopathology slides have now been included.

I have also included the acknowledgement of thanks to Dr D Green for providing the histopathology slides. The changes to the manuscript have been highlighted for your convenience.

With these minor amendments, I hope that the article will be acceptable for publication.

Many thanks,

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Dr Nellie Cheah