Author's response to reviews

Title: Heterotopic gastrointestinal cyst mimicking chronic cholecystitis: a case report

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To: The Editor - in - Chief
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Prof. Michael Kidd,

Dear Sir,

Enclosed, please, find my revised manuscript entitled "Gartointestinal cyst attached to the gallbladder: a case report".

Taking into consideration the reviewers' comments, we revised our manuscript according to their opinion:

Reviewer's report 1 (Prof. Stavros Daliakopoulos):
1. Complying with the reviewer's advice, we changed the title of the manuscript and replaced it with a more appropriate "Heterotopic gastrointestinal cyst mimicking chronic cholecystitis".

2. We shortened the embryologic part in the discussion section. The paragraph "The origin of the endocrine cells..." on p. 6, line 4-8 was removed, because it is not within the scope of the article.

3. The term "dubious data" in the abstract was replaced with the more suitable "a stone in the cystic duct was suspected" - p.2, line 4.

4. After the phrase "The simultaneous occurrence..." we included citations from literature - on p. 6, line 15.

Reviewer's report 2 (Prof. Nicholas FS Watson)
The manuscript was almost re-written.

1. We corrected the phrases cited by the reviewer as examples:

"...woman was admitted to hospital with clinical data for chronic cholecystitis..." was replaced with the phrase "...woman was hospitalized with clinical symptoms for chronic cholecystitis..." - p. 3, line 2.

"...abdominal ultrasonography;dubious data for a stone in the cystic duct..." was changed into "...a stone in the cystic duct was suspected..." - p.3, line 11.
"Its immunohistochemical study revealed..." was corrected in "The immunohistochemical study revealed..." - p.2, line 8.

2. We omitted the word "fairly" and replaced with "extremely" - p.2, line 24.

3. We changed the phrase "Severe abdominal pain in the region of the right ribcage" into the more suitable "...intermittent abdominal pain in the right upper abdominal quadrant..." - p. 2, line 3.

4. We omitted the phrase "with unconvincing peritoneal signs" - p.2, line 8.

5. The phrase "no data of a stone in the region of the cystic duct were found for certain" was replaced with "a stone in the cystic duct was suspected" - p.3, line 12

6. The term "exacerbated" was omitted.

7. The cyst was not visualized on ultrasound examination.

8. To clearly identify the structures on the image taken during laparoscopy, we marked them with an arrow.

9. The conclusion of the manuscript was revised.

Thus, this time we hope that our manuscript will be accepted for publication and hope it will be of interest for the readers of your journal.

Yours sincerely,

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