Author's response to reviews

Title: Primary cytomegalovirus infection presenting as ileoanal pouchitis in a young immunocompetent patient - a case report

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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for taking our article 1238342987109781 into consideration for publication in your journal. We changed the manuscript according to your suggestions and added a small part concerning the novel findings that were made in the patient from the time point of the submission of the article in October 2013 until now. As the message of the article does not change by that, we hope you agree. Also, the English language was polished by a native English speaker, and all changes are indicated.

We are looking forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

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Answers (Referee 1):

“For argument sake how well is immune competency documented in his patient with 3 diseases which could invoke immune determined pathogenesis. (UC, CD and Adeno CA). A positive anergy series would help to define immune competence. Alternatively one could turn the description around to state that the CMV infection occurred in a patient that was not receiving any immunosuppressive treatment.”

We feel that the reviewer is completely right with this point. In response, we changed “immunocompetent” into “without immunosuppressive therapy”.

“Several small corrections in English syntax would help eg Pg 3, 2nd paragraph, 2nd line from bottom “after stop of 20 days”. Pg 1st paragraph “2.5 years “ should be spelled out.”

The indicated changes were made.

“Pg 7 although may be obvious the authors should indicate that valgancyclovir was administered orally.“

Change was made.