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Respond: Thanks for it. I confirmed "The consent form was waived because of the retrospective nature of the study", and removed the sentence "We confirmed that consent was obtained from the patients to publish the data and materials related to the study"

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