Author’s response to reviews

Title: Gastropathy associated with lanthanum phosphate deposition that was endoscopically tracked for 3 years: a case report

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Dear the Editorial Board of BMC Gastroenterology and Reviewers,

We thank Reviewers and Editor for providing thoughtful assessments of our manuscript and for informing us that our manuscript entitled “Gastropathy associated with lanthanum phosphate deposition that was endoscopically tracked for 3 years. A case report” is potentially acceptable for BMC Gastroenterology.

We have addressed the editor’s comments and the reviewer’s concerns and would like to submit the revised manuscript. Point-by-point responses to the comments and concerns are provided below.

Editor Comments
Comment 1: ACF
We note that the order of authors has changed since original submission of the manuscript. In line with COPE guidelines, BioMed Central requires written confirmation from all authors that they agree with any proposed changes in authorship of submitted manuscripts or published articles.
Response 1:
We had emailed the completed “change of authorship request form” to the editorial office in June 2020 for our manuscript, BMGE-D-20-00180R3. As the editor pointed out, the author list in BMGE-D-20-00180R3 was different from the original submission, i.e. we added Dr. Jun Miyoshi as the second author. All authors agreed to this change and signed on the form. The author list in the final version of our manuscript is the same as BMGE-D-20-00180R3. We will email the “change of authorship request form” that we completed in June to the editorial office again.

Comment 2:
We have noted that author [HT] is missing in the listed authors' contributions. The individual contributions of ALL authors to the manuscript should be specified in the Authors’ Contributions section.
Response 2:
We have corrected the section of the Authors’ contributions. Although we had described “TH, MK and MT collected the data”, the correct description is “HT, MK and MT collected the data”. We appreciate your careful checking.

Comment 3: Clean manuscript
Response 3:
We have revised our manuscript responding to the Reviewer’s comments (please see below) and prepared the clean copy of the manuscript. We have uploaded the clean-copy final version of our manuscript.

Reviewer 4 Comments
Comment 1:
The references are not recent enough.
Response 1:
On page 4, we have cited 2 recent reports as new references #3 and #4 in addition to the original references #1 and #2 on the gastric mucosal findings associated with the deposition of lanthanum. Also, as a report regarding gastric cancer and lanthanum phosphate deposition, we have cited a recent report by Tabuchi et al. as a new reference #13 in addition to a report by Takatsuna that we had cited on page 10.

Comment 2:
Some typographical mistakes need to be corrected.
Response 2:
We have doublechecked the manuscript and corrected typos.
Thank you so much for your assistance and consideration.

Best regards,

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