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Dear Prof. Yoke-Fun Chan,

Many thanks for the letter dated March 1, 2019, regarding our manuscript entitled “Clinical characteristics and managements of severe hand, foot and mouth disease caused by Enterovirus 71 and Coxsackie virus A16 in Shanghai, China” (Manuscript ID INFD-D-18-01940R3). We appreciate the valuable comments of the editor. Based on the editor’s comments and suggestions, we have revised the manuscript. Our specific point-by-point responses to the editor’s comments and suggestions are as follows:
Editor Comments:

1. Please include the email addresses for all authors on the title page. The corresponding author should still be indicated.
Response: We have included the email addresses for all authors on the title page (see line 20-23, page 1).

2. Please change the section heading “Materials and Methods” to “Methods”.
Response: We have changed the section heading “Materials and Methods” to “Methods” (see line 12, page 4).

3. Please add a “Conclusions” section after the “Discussion” section. This should state clearly the main conclusions of the research article and give a clear explanation of their importance and relevance.
Response: We have added a “Conclusions” section after the “Discussion” section (see line 1-6, page 13).

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Response: We have uploaded our manuscript as a single, final, clean version, and the Figure was uploaded as separate file.

We hope that our revised manuscript is now suitable for publication in BMC Infectious Diseases.

Sincerely Yours,

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