Author’s response to reviews

Title: The value of 99mTc-methylene diphosphonate Single photon emission computed tomography/computed tomography in diagnosis of fibrous dysplasia

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Dear Prof. Peter Mandl and Prof. Yingxin Chen:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewer’s comments concerning our manuscript entitled “The value of 99mTc-methylene diphosphonate Single photon emission computed tomography/computed tomography in diagnosis of fibrous dysplasia” (BMIM-D-17-00089R1). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised portion are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewer’s comments are as flowing:

Responds to the reviewer’s comments:

1. Response to comment: Did authors use commercial statistical analysis software? If yes, please provide the detail of this software.

Response: Yes, we have used SPSS Statistics 17.0 software in our manuscript. We have written this part in our paper. Thanks for your reminding.

2. Response to comment: Please check the sequence of all figure. It would be Axial CT (b), SPECT (c), and hybrid SPECT/spiral CT imaging (d).

Response: We are sorry for our incorrect writing the sequence of figures. We have made correction in our paper.
3. Did author compare the sensitivity and specificity of SPECT with other imaging (CT, MRI, PET or X-ray)? If yes, please provide more date to support the conclusion that abnormal radiotracer uptake of 99mTc-MDP is helpful for the diagnosis of FD.

Response: We are sorry to say that we have not compared SPECT with other imaging. With the SPECT/CT finding, most of the patients have no other imaging of the FD lesion in our study. Thanks for your suggestion. If possible, we would like to compare SPECT with other imaging with the number of cases increases.