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Dear Editor and reviewers,

We thank the Editor and reviewers for valuable comments. We have provided point-to-point responses to the comments below.

Please let me know if you require any additional changes or information.

Reviewer #2:
Takahito Nakajima, M.D., Ph.D (Reviewer 2): The manuscript was improved with this revision. There are some minor points to be revised as below:

#1 References: Access dates on the website should be deleted in references 9, 17 and 26.

--> Response to comment #2-1) As recommended, access dates on the website were deleted in references 9, 17 and 26.
#2 Table 1. Body index mass: 59 (39%) > 59 (90%)

--> Response to comment #2-2) We modified as follows: “Body index mass: 59 (39%)”.

#3 In Table 1, percentile values are still unknown. I would suggest that you separate the table into two, with one for the variables with YES/NO options and another for the other variables (that have options other than YES/NO, such as Pre/Post).

- For the variables in the YES/NO group, only the numbers indicated "YES" can be presented.

- Only percentile values would be required in n=114 for non-detection and n=74 for detected.

--> Response to comment #2-3) As recommended, we separated the table 1 into two parts, one for the variables with YES/NO options and another for the other variables. For the variables with YES/NO options, only the numbers indicated "YES" are presented.

#4 Table 2 has the same problem described in #3. Only the numbers for "YES" or "Positive" are required. Please simplify the table.

--> Response to comment #2-4) Table 2 was modified to display only the numbers indicated "YES" for the variables with YES/NO options.

#5 Table 3: Since the explanation of "Time interval..." is too long, please change it to "Time intervals (days) *,**".

As a comment, "**" indicates "Time intervals between the final diagnosis ...".

--> Response to comment #2-5) We modified table 3 as your recommendation.