**Author’s response to reviews**

**Title:** A case of atypical anti-GBM disease complicated by CMV pneumonitis and massive hemoptysis

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Reviewer reports:

Dorin Bogdan Borza (Reviewer 1): The authors seem to have addressed most issues raised by this reviewer in their revision. However, the authors did not respond to "major issue #3" (except for stating "wait for MF response", which is not an appropriate answer).

We have addressed this point.

The sentence on line 168-170 should be modified because there is no clear evidence that standard anti-GBM ELISA are most specific for IgG1 and IgG3 subclasses, as currently stated.

To avoid inaccurate statements, I recommend rewording this sentence as follows: "However, they are designed to detect IgG, and may give negative results when circulating anti-GBM antibodies are IgA class. In addition, standard anti-GBM assays may be less sensitive for certain IgG subclasses such as IgG4."
We have addressed this point.

Scott E Wenderfer, M.D., Ph.D. (Reviewer 2): Only one minor issue remains: 1. Strongly suggest changing the title to include presumptive pulmonary diagnosis. Hemoptysis is a symptom and not a diagnosis. - We have included the diagnosis of CMV pneumonitis in the title.