Author’s response to reviews

Title: Prenatal diagnosis of a “living” oropharyngeal fetus in fetu: A case report

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Dear Pro. Paolo Cavoretto and reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers’ comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Prenatal diagnosis of a “living” oropharyngeal fetus in fetu: A case report" (PRCH-D-19-01237). 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:

1. In your ‘consent for publication’ section of your declarations, please explicitly state whether the parents gave consent for their personal or clinical details along with any identifying images to be published in this study.

Respond: As suggested, we stated as” the parents gave consent for their personal or clinical details along with any identifying images to be published in this study”.

2. Please include a statement in your Funding section describing the role of the funding body in the design of the study, the collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript.

Respond: As suggested, we stated as “Ling Wang was the funding body, who performed and acquired ultrasonic image.”

3. Please remove the CARE checklist from the end of your manuscript file as this is no longer needed in the publication process.
Respond: As suggested, we removed the CARE checklist.

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Respond: As suggested, we upload a single, clean version.

Editor Comments:

I would just suggest an addition at the end of the first paragraph of page 4 "Prenatal ultrasound is a useful tool to identify well developed organs in the FIF, evaluate the size and spatial relationship of the mass, and help to guide the ex utero intrapartum treatment procedure for newborn FIF [6-7], or offer the reasonable option of early termination FOR SEVERE CASES.

Respond: As suggested, we modified as “……or offer the reasonable option of early termination FOR SEVERE CASES”