Author's response to reviews

Title: Psychogenic fever in a patient with small cell lung cancer: a case report

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Dear Dr.,

Thank you for your endeavor on the manuscript (Title: Psychogenic fever in a patient with small cell lung cancer: a case report). And thanks for the comments from reviewers. We revised the paper, the followings are the answers for the comments. Please don’t hesitate to give your precious advice on it to make it more acceptable.

Mengdan Xu,

Yours sincerely.

JOURNAL REQUIREMENTS:

We note that the patient described in your case report died over a year before this manuscript was submitted. Can you therefore confirm that the patient did in fact provide written informed consent for publication? Alternatively, did a relative of the patient provide written informed consent?

Response: Yes. On December 19, 2012, the patient was admitted to our department with a complaint of fever lasting for more than 1 month. With the help of our department, the patient’s temperature returned to normal. Before his discharge, we told him we wanted to write and publish a case report according to his case. He accepted and provided written informed consent for publication. Then we finished and submitted the case report in April, 2014 the first time. In March, 2015, when we revised the manuscript, we once again contacted his relatives for follow-up visit. They told us he died in June 2013. All of his relatives accepted the publication of the case report.

REVIEWER'S COMMENTS:

Minor Revisions#

1. Page 5, Line 119-120 'respiratory rate (RR) 120 22 beats/min,' ; ‘Beats/min’ is the unit of heart rate. Is the unit of RR ‘breaths per minute’?

Response:
original sentence: ‘respiratory rate (RR) 22 beats/min,’ (Page 5, Line 119-120)

corrected as: ‘respiratory rate (RR) 22 breaths per minute,’ (Page 5, Line 118-119)

2. Page 5, Line 119-120; ‘temperature (T) 38.2°C, respiratory rate (RR) 120 beats/min, blood pressure (BP) 130/85 mm Hg, and heart rate (HR) 115 beats/min’

Page 10, Line 227-228; ‘T=temperature; RR=respiratory rate; BP=blood pressure; HR=heart rate’

‘T’, ‘RR’, ‘BP’ and ‘HR’ appear only in the page 5 in the text. Their abbreviations are necessary?

Response: ‘T=temperature; RR=respiratory rate; BP=blood pressure; HR=heart rate’ is deleted. (Page 5 Line118-119 Page 10, Line 226)

3. Page 6, Line 135; ‘Hamilton Anxiety Scale (Ha.m.A)’

Page 9, Line 199; ‘a Hamilton Anxiety Scale assement’

Page 11, Line 234 in the Author’s contributions; ‘with Ha.m.A’

Abbreviation of Hamilton Anxiety Scale, Ha.m.A appears in Page 6, but is not used in the Page 9. This abbreviation is necessary?

Response: ‘Ha.m.A=24-item Hamilton Anxiety Scale;’ is deleted. (Page 6 Line 133-134 Page 11 Line 232 Page 10, Line 226)

Thank you very much for your correction! We have corrected these mistakes in the manuscript.