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Answer▶ First of all, We're very sorry for the delay in registration. We enrolled this study on Clinical Research Information Service (CRiS), Republic of Korea (No. KCT0002645). so we submit a revised version of our manuscript with the number included in the Abstract section (line 27, page 2).