Author’s response to reviews

Title: An unusual case of ectopic corticotrophin-releasing hormone syndrome caused by an adrenal noncatecholamine-secreting pheochromocytoma: a case report

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Dear Editor:

My co-authors and I would like to submit the revised Case Report BEND-D-17-00163 entitled “An unusual case of ectopic corticotrophin-releasing hormone syndrome caused by an adrenal noncatecholamine-secreting pheochromocytoma: a case report” for your consideration for publication in BMC Endocrine Disorders. We do want to greatly appreciate you and reviewers for the constructive comments and suggestions, which significantly improved our manuscript. All of our responses to the reviewers’ specific points are detailed in the itemized list below:
Thanks to you and the reviewers for the opportunity to strengthen our manuscript!

I hope the revised manuscript meets the standards of papers published in BMC Endocrine Disorders.

Sincerely yours,

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Point-by-point response:

Commentary of Irina Bancos (Reviewer 1): I have no additional comments outside from what was provided before.

Thank you very much.

Commentary of Salvatore Maria Corsello (Reviewer 2): I read with interest the article entitled "An unusual case of ectopic corticotrophin-releasing hormone syndrome caused by an adrenal noncatecholamine-secreting phochromocytoma: a case report". I have only some remarks:

- I think that you could describe more radiological CT features of the adrenal mass.
Thank you for your advice, we provided more detailed description of the CT features of the adrenal mass in the revision (Page 1 Line 16-17. Page 4. Line 79-82. Page 12. Line 275-277).

- The previous version of the way that you found the adrenal mass was better in my opinion. So "Intensified CT abdominal scanning revealed that the mass lesion was located in the right adrenal gland and not in the right hepatic posterior lobe" (line 76-77 of the previous version)

Thank you for your suggestion, we changed to the previous version describing the finding of the adrenal mass (Page 4, Line 79-82).

Response to the editor:

1). Title page: please provide the authors’ affiliations and email addresses.

In the revision, we provided the authors’ affiliations and email addresses in the title page.

2) Copyediting: please ensure that you obtain advice from, preferably, a copyeditor or at the very least a native English speaker to assist in the writing of the paper, particularly the new text added upon revision and highlighted in yellow. For example, line 16 of the abstract, '...a right adrenal mass of 6.5 cm in diameter....' Please also be aware that heterogeneousness is not a word. Please ensure that attention given throughout.

Thank you very much for your suggestion. We have rewritten the content with the help of the copyeditor.
3) Authors contributions: please use authors' initials rather than full names, i.e. B-PW, L-LW etc.

Thank you! We used the format of the authors’ initials based on your suggestion.

4) The yellow highlighting should be removed in the Word file.

We have removed the highlights from the word file.