Author’s response to reviews

Title: Enhancement of postprandial endogenous insulin secretion rather than exogenous insulin injection ameliorated insulin antibody-induced unstable diabetes: a case report

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Dear Editor,

We are greatly appreciating your and the reviewers’ positive comments on our manuscript entitled “Enhancement of postprandial endogenous insulin secretion rather than exogenous insulin injection ameliorated insulin antibody-induced unstable diabetes: a case report” (Ms#: BEND-D-18-00251R1).

We added the point-by point responses for your and reviewer’s comments as follows.
Responses to Editor’s comment.

1. We would like to ask for you to provide more justification for the contributions of CS, TI, MT, JY and AY as currently they do not automatically qualify for authorship. Contribution to patient management or treating the patient, alone, does not usually justify authorship.

We read again the ICMJE guidelines and well confirmed their importance. As you mentioned, we did not provide the enough justification for the authorship of Chihiro Satake (C.S.), Tomohito Izumi (T.I.), Mamiko Tanaka (M.T.), Junpei Yamamoto (J.Y.) and Yoichiro Asai (Y.A.). Since this patient had a long history of diabetes and his pathological conditions had been very complicated, we asked C.S, T.I. and M.T to review the part of manuscript during hospitalization and J.Y and Y.A. for the part before hospitalization. For overall relevant discussion, we needed the contributions of Shojiro Sawada, Junta Imai and Tetsuya Yamada. Thanks to their supports, we could efficiently discuss in detail. We added some phrases, emphasizing their concrete contributions to this manuscript. (Author’s contributions section in the revised manuscript)

2. Please include a statement in the Authors’ contributions section to the effect that all authors have read and approved the manuscript, and ensure that this is the case.

We added the phrase “All authors have read and approved the manuscript and ensured that this was the case in which they were involved.” to the author’s contributions section in the revised manuscript.

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Responses to Reviewer 1’s comment

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Thank you very much for your suggestions. But, technically, it is difficult for us to include the items in the box you mentioned. We are very sorry for this inconvenience.

Responses to Reviewer 5’s comment

All questions were answered.

We are very glad to improve our manuscript thanks to your comments.

We hope that the revised version is acceptable for publication in BMC Endocrine Disorders. We thank you again for your help in this matter.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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