Author's response to reviews

Title: Serum Protein Gamma-Glutamyl Hydrolase, Ig Gamma-3 Chain C Region, and Haptoglobin are Associated with the Syndromes of Pulmonary Tuberculosis in Traditional Chinese Medicine

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Dear Editor:

We have revised the manuscript in light of the editor’s comments. Here below is our description on revision according to the editor’s comments:

**Comment 1:** In the abstract, under results, authors should report main results with data. It appears no original data provided.

**Response 1:** The results in the abstract are revised, and the original data is added.

**Comment 2:** In the methods section, too much descriptions on the details for each measurements, as one of the reviewers pointed out, I think as some routine procedures, the description should be shorten.

**Response 2:** We have shortened the descriptions in the methods section according to the comments (‘Proteomics 2014, 14:322-331’ and ‘Proteomics 2015, 15, 58–67’).

**Comment 3:** When describing transformed to some pattern, authors need to tell from which pattern transformed into some type of patterns.

**Response 3:** We have described the transformation pattern by adding the sentence ‘94.44% (12 PYD, 18 HFYD, and 4 DQY before anti-TB treatment) of 36 treated TB cases were transformed to PYD accompanied with the reduction of ESR and absorption of pulmonary lesions’ in the revised manuscript.

**Comment 4:** Many statements in the introduction are not referenced. Authors should provide references for those statement and fact if they are not authors opinions.

**Response 4:** We have added 6 references in the background section, and the subsequent reference numbers have been modified accordingly.

**Comment 5:** All revisions should be marked either with different color or highlighted.

**Response 5:** All revisions are marked in red.
A list of changes:

1. Page 3, line 63 to page 4, line 68.
3. Page 6, line 125.
4. Page 8, lines 162-171, the description was shorten.
5. Page 9, lines 179-181, the description was shorten.
6. Page 9, lines 184-190, the description was shorten.
7. Page 9, line 192 to page 10, line 200, the description was shorten.
8. Page 10, line 202 to page 11, line 232, the description was shorten.
9. Page 11, line 234 to page 12, line 244, the description was shorten.
12. Page 17, line 353.

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