Author's response to reviews

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Dear Dr. Morrey,

Thank you for your email of December 3, 2014, regarding our manuscript, “Cost effectiveness of adding rituximab to splenectomy and romiplostim for treating steroid-resistant idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura in adults”, and the comment from Dr. Anneke Brand. In the following pages are our point-by-point responses to each of the editorial requests. Please find attached a current version of our manuscript revised accordingly.

We feel that the revised manuscript would certainly be the final version for publication in the BMC Health Services Research.

We are truly grateful for your consideration of this paper and we look forward to your reply soon.

Sincerely yours,

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Our responses to the editorial requests are as the following.

**Editorial request 1:**
Please edit the title to read 'Cost-effectiveness of adding rituximab to splenectomy and romiplostim for treating steroid-resistant idiopathic thrombocytic purpura in adults'.

**Response:**
In accordance with the editorial request, we have changed the title as follows:

Cost-effectiveness of adding rituximab to splenectomy and romiplostim for treating steroid-resistant idiopathic thrombocytic purpura in adults.

**Editorial request 2:**
We recommend that you ask a native English speaking colleague to help you copyedit the paper. If this is not possible, you may need to use a professional language editing service.

**Response:**
We already had the International Medical Information Center ([http://www.imic.or.jp/english/](http://www.imic.or.jp/english/)) help with the English language review. If more revision is needed, please point out specifically where we should copy edit. We will check again with IMIC accordingly.

Thank you again for your comments on our paper.