Author's response to reviews

Title: Surgery combined with radiotherapy for the treatment of solitary plasmacytoma of the rib: A case report and review of the literature

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Dear Prof. Hiroyuki Kuwano

Thank you very much for your kind work and valuable advice of our paper (MS: 9437671316368745). On behalf of my co-authors, I would like to express our great appreciation to you.

Point-by-point responses:

#1. According to recommended-diagnostic criteria for solitary plasmacytoma of bone in this manuscript, no anemia, hypercalcemia, or renal impairment attributable myeloma were included. These data of peripheral blood examinations should be shown in Table 1.

Response: We have added new data in Table 1, including values for renal function, Ca2+, Mg2+, and Na+ levels.

#2. In Table 2, prognosis of patient with solitary plasmacytoma of the rib should be included in each report. Data of outcome was important in rare case.

Response: We have added the prognosis from every previous study in Table 2.

#3. Figure 1 should be organized in each examination. CT images were scattered in Figure 1.

Response: We have reorganized the images as recommended.

#4. In Figure 2, pathological image of HE staining was quite poor. It should be selected clear images. CD38 and CD138 of immunohistochemical staining were also poor images. These data was critical for decision on acceptance or rejection.

Response: We have replaced the original images with clearer pictures.
Thank you and best regards,

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