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Title: Serious Gastric Perforation after Second Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy (SBRT) for Peripheral Lung Cancer Recurred after SBRT: A Case Report

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Responses to the comments of Reviewer

1. [You should state main symptoms of the patient before the first and second SBRT.]

Response: Main symptoms of the patient before the first SBRT.
Page 4, line 11-12 [He had no clinical symptoms.]

Main symptoms of the patient before the second SBRT.
Page 6, line 1-2 [The recurrent tumor did not cause any symptoms.]

Comment: the patient had no symptoms before the first and second SBRT.

2. [In conclusion, author recommended to use IMRT, however this report does not logically lead to this conclusion. So, author should state benefits of IMRT in discussion.]

Response: We deleted the following sentence,
"In some cases, it might be better to use intensity modulated radiation therapy rather than simple SBRT technique to better reduce the doses of the normal tissues."
Comment: Using IMRT is an additional recommendation for some limited cases. The comment about IMRT is not necessarily required for the argument of this case report, therefore it was deleted.

Other revisions

3. Page 4, line 7-9

[However, we experienced a case of fatal gastric perforation after the second SBRT for a peripheral lung tumor that recurred after the first SBRT. ]

Comment: We changed "a second SBRT" to "the second SBRT".

4. Page 17, Table 2, row 6, column 4

[61 Gy/Conv]

Comment: We deleted a half-width space before slash mark.

5. Page 17, Table 2, row 7, column 4

[66 Gy/33 Fr]

Comment: We deleted a half-width space after slash mark.