


## Author reply to myocarditis after COVID-19 mRNA vaccination: Correspondence

To the Editor,

We appreciate the comment from Sookaromdee et al.<sup>1</sup> on our recent report on acute myocarditis after the second dose of COVID-19 mRNA vaccination in three Japanese young adult males.<sup>2</sup> We agree that we should carefully consider and evaluate any potential co-occurring conditions including other infectious diseases in this setting. As shown in our report,<sup>2</sup> all endomyocardial biopsy specimens were analyzed by viral genomes using a multi-virus real-time PCR system. No viral genomes including SARS-CoV-2, dengue virus, and other viruses associated with myocarditis were detected.<sup>3</sup> In Japan, dengue virus infection is quite rare among those who have not traveled outside Japan. All of the patients had no history of travel abroad and they were in a healthy, nonimmunosuppressive state before COVID-19 mRNA vaccination.

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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