Author's response to reviews

Title: Association of the RYR3 gene polymorphisms with atherosclerosis in elderly Japanese population

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Dear editor,

We appreciate the opportunity to revise our article [MS: 9565036110452803 - Association of the RYR3 gene polymorphisms with atherosclerosis in elderly Japanese population]. All comments by reviewers have been addressed, with corresponding changes made directly to the manuscript where appropriate. We highlighted the revised part in red in the manuscript. Accompanying this letter, please find a revised version of our manuscript. On the following page, we outline point-by-point responses to the comments by the reviewers. We hope our revised version will be received favorably and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Best regards,
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Reviewer's report from Makoto Daimon
Reviewer's report:
“Since the authors properly responded my comments, I do not have further comments.”

Reviewer's report from Aya Kawasaki
Reviewer's report:
“The authors have adequately addressed my concerns.”

Reviewer's report from Nobuyuki Hamajima
(Reviewer's comments are in italics)
Reviewer's report
The authors revised the manuscript appropriately, but
1. “The estimates of beta in the last paragraph of Results are inconsistent in terms of the decimal place.”
   Response: The decimal places of beta values have been revised in the last paragraph of Results. (Page 8, Line 6-9.)

2. “So is the p-value in Table 3, that is, 0.171.”
   Response: The decimal place has been revised. (Table 3)