Author's response to reviews

Title: Nephropathic cystinosis associated with cardiomyopathy: A 27-year clinical follow-up

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Point by point reply to the reviewers’ comments:

Reviewer 1:
1. Avoidance of first person: All references to “us” in the first person have been replaced by the name of the institute “Albert Einstein College of Medicine”, or “the patient described here”. We thank the reviewer for this very important distinction.
2. Grammatical, punctual changes: The changes recommended by the reviewer have been done.

Reviewer 2:
1. A discussion regarding possible reasons for normal cardiac function in previously reported references 9 and 10 has been added to the manuscript (Pg 7, Para 2). Unfortunately no further details of cardiac evaluation are available in the patient described in this case report.
2. Page 2 last sentence has been revised as recommended.
3. The sentence “The muscle cystine levels…” on page 7 last line para 1 has been revised.
4. Compulsory revision: pictures of cardiac biopsy have been added.

Reviewer 3:
1. Importance of continuing cystagon: A line has been added to page 6, last line stating the same.
2. A line indicating hypertension is uncommon has been added to page 6, discussion, para 1.
3. Reference 2 has been revised.
4. Reference to cystine assay has been confirmed.
5. 3rd sentence page 5 has been revised, line middle para page 5 has been revised.
6. First para of the discussion: eventual obsolescence “of glomeruli” has been added.