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Title: Polg1 mutations and stroke like episodes: A distinct clinical entity rather by an atypical MELAS syndrome

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Dear Editors,

please find enclosed the revised version of the manuscript entitled “POLG1 MUTATIONS AND STROKE LIKE EPISODES: A DISTINCT CLINICAL ENTITY RATHER THAN AN ATYPICAL MELAS SYNDROME”, that we resubmit, after revising the manuscript following Editors suggestion (in yellow). Point by point answers to Editors comment are reported below. We hope that our paper is now suitable for publication in BMC Neurology.

Yours sincerely,
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EDITORIAL REQUESTS:

1)Age of the patient- There seems to be some confusion regarding the age of the patient: 74 (as stated in the full text) or 79 years old (as stated in the abstract)? Please clarify and correct this.
We apologise for mistake and corrected the age in the abstract.

2) Title: We encourage you to consider revising the title to "POLG1 MUTATIONS AND STROKE LIKE EPISODES: A DISTINCT CLINICAL ENTITY RATHER THAN AN ATYPICAL MELAS SYNDROME"

We appreciated the Editor suggestion and changed the title.

3) Standard care- I'm afraid you may have misunderstood our previous request for a statement on this to be included in the manuscript. As this is a case report, we need you to include a statement within the manuscript to explain that you have adhered to standard care practice for the treatment of this patient. This can be included in the main text and does not require a separate section.

We apologise for misunderstanding and added this part to the text.