Author’s response to reviews

Title: Relationship between craving and personality in treatment-seeking women with substance-related disorders

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Thank you for your suggestions that certainly helped us improving our manuscript.

Regarding your comments, the following changes were performed:

1) A careful proofreading was performed to make the manuscript clearer.
2) The instrument name (NEO Personality Inventory-Revised) is now spelled correctly.
3) A clearer rationale for studying the relation between craving and personality was provided in the Background section.
4) The last two sentences of the Discussion were removed. The reviewer's suggestions were incorporated.
5) The statistical procedure was revised according to the reviewer's suggestions. A stepwise regression analysis replaced the partial correlation analysis proposed before. The general findings were maintained.
6) A single craving score was derived by combining the two craving measures. The term "distinct" was eliminated from the Discussion.
7) The Discussion section was re-written to incorporate the findings provided by the regression models and how our results differ from those obtained by other investigators.

We will be happy to answer any further questions.

Best regards,

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