**Author's response to reviews**

**Title:** Mechanical properties during healing of Achilles tendon ruptures to predict final outcome. A pilot Roentgen stereophotogrammetric analysis in 10 patients

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Dear Sirs!

I have made the following changes in my revised manuscript:

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Background

- There are presently no methods described has been changed to
- There are presently few methods described

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- If the ruptured tendon were two rigid stumps has been changed to
- If the ruptured tendon were two rigid stumps

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- Most tendons elongated several millimetres during the studies time period has been changed to
- Most tendons elongated several millimetres during the studied time period

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- Changes in length might occur during has been changed to
- Changes in length might also have occurred during

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- CA. Participated in planning the study, operated some patients and participated
in data manuscript writing.

has been changed to

CA. Participated in planning the study, operated some patients and participated in manuscript writing.

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JK. Made all physiotherapeutic follow-up, participated in data analysis and manuscript writing.

has been changed to

JK. Planned and made all physiotherapeutic follow-up, participated in data analysis and manuscript writing.

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All authors have read and approved this final manuscript.

has been added.

Sincerely, Thorsten Schepull