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Following your communication related to the addition of two new authors (Claudio Castagno and Patrizia Lista) mentioned in the manuscript, I am writing to define their roles in the final preparation of the work.

The contribution of Claudio Castagno was essential for the revision of the manuscript. He worked assiduously on the analysis of the observations of the Referees, researching the clinical and scientific information needed to complete the work.

With the help of PD and PG, he prepared the corrections and helped draft the cover letter responding point by point to the demands of Referees.

The name of Patrizia Lista has been forgotten already during the first draft of the work: she has maintained contact with the patient and has carefully maintained its follow up scrupulously collecting all of its clinical data necessary for preparing and revising the manuscript. She also reviewed the final version of the manuscript along with CL, PG and PD contributing to its completion by providing patient clinical data essential to explain and resolve some inconsistencies of the first version.

I hope I have explained in detail the contribution of the two new authors added to the manuscript.

Yours sincerely,

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