Author's response to reviews

Title: On the pathogenesis of penile venous leakage: role of the tunica albuginea

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Dear Dr. Phillips,

Thank you for sending us the reports of your Reviewers. We have in the meantime re-revised the manuscript in the light of their proposals again and trust that our below listed detailed comments will satisfactorily address the concerns raised. We thank your Reviewers for their effort and the time they invested trying to assist us in adding readability and clarity to our article.

With best wishes,

and sincerely,

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Reviewer: Richard Berger
1 - Following this Referee's advice, we added the sentence "This possibility cannot be excluded" to the 3rd paragraph on page 6.

4 - As we had mentioned in the 3rd paragraph on page 4, the tunica albuginea biopsies were taken from the lateral aspect of the penis.

5 - In both the Abstract and the 2nd paragraph on page 6 we have already pointed to the fact that these physiological claims were limited to the 'probability'.

Reviewer Richard A. Santucci
1 - The English language in some passages has been improved.

2 - The work of other researchers in this field was added to page 6, paragraph 5 and to reference list.

3 - Past work was already mentioned in 15 references. More references were added to page 6, paragraph 5 and reference list.

4 - The apparently little appropriate term 'flabbiness', although in the dictionary given precisely with the meaning we saw fit, was replaced by 'floppiness'.

5 - We believe that the Discussion exhibits some addition in this respect.