Author's response to reviews

Title: Recruitment of aged donor heart with pharmacological stress echo. A case report.

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We thank the reviewers for the positive and valuable comments. We have answered all questions. In our opinion, this has certainly improved the quality of the manuscript.

Report: Technical revision

Page 2
Line 4: Please insert a comma after "shortage"
Line 12: Please note that you must provide a definition for the abbreviations when first used (TE), or provide a list of abbreviation after the main text.
Line 15: "9,6" should be "9.6"

Page 3
Line 1: Please change to: according to standard...
Line 3: "assed" should be "assessed"
Line 8: Please change to: less expensive (rather than costly)

Page 4
Line 15: Please insert a comma after "furthermore"
Line 17: Please insert a comma after "shortage"

Page 5
Line 14: Please insert a comma after "disease"
Line 15: "(6)." should be "(6)."
Second last line: Please change "tele-systolic" to "telesystolic"
Last line: Please change "... in every moment of increasing of the..." to "... in every moment when increasing the..."

Page 6
Line 9: "procedure" should be "procedure."
Line 13: "9,6" should be "9.6"

Page 7
Line 5: Please change to "...was performed by the way..."
Line 9: Please change "patient followed" to "patient underwent"
Line 10: "therapy was begun at day after" should be "therapy was begun the day after"
Line 12: "according standard" should be "according to the standard"
Line 14: "assed" should be "assessed"

Page 8
Line 11: Please change to "...5% of cutoff..."
Line 12: Please change to "first case regarding stress"
Lines 13/14: Please change to "...and, therefore, of..."
Line 17: Please change to "...from donors aged more than..."
Lines 19/20: Please change to "...results would only be unwarranted..."
Recivered" should be "Received"

Page 12
Line 3: Please insert a comma after "disease"
Line 6: "Excuded" should be "Excluded"
Line 9: Please delete "at" before "1 month"

Page 13
Line 5: Please change to: "moment when increasing the cardiac frequency" (rather than "moment of increasing of")
Line 13: "9,6" should be "9.6"
Second last line: Please insert a comma after "myocardium"

Page 14
Line 6: "viideoclip" should be "videoclip"

We added a new figure, figure 10, and a new figure 10 caption:

Figure 10. Graft coronary artery imaging- appearance by angiography and intravascular ultrasound 1 month after follow-up. Excellent angiographic result demonstrating concordance with the pre-transplant potential donor stress echo (no inducible ischemia). The left panel shows angiogram obtained on the transplanted heart 1 month after engraftment. Angiographic imaging of the midportion of the LAD only shows minor lumen irregularities within the vessel. The right panel shows intravascular ultrasound images obtained in the same coronary segment.
(images from Prof Claudio Rapezzi and Dr Carlo Magelli, responsible of the Clinical Heart Transplant Program, University Cardiology Division, S. Orsola Hospital, Bologna, Italy)