Title: Reduced hippocampal activation during episodic encoding in middle-aged individuals at genetic risk for Alzheimer's Disease: a cross-sectional study

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Dear Editor:

We are enclosing an edited version of the copyrighted and formatted version of our manuscript entitled “Reduced hippocampal activation during memory encoding in individuals at genetic risk for Alzheimer’s disease: a cross-sectional study,” which is to be published in *BMC Medicine*. The manuscript is 30 pages long and includes 2 tables and 3 figures.

We do not have any interests that might be interpreted as influencing this research. Dr. Sterling Johnson will be serving as the corresponding author for this manuscript. The coauthors and myself have read the manuscript several times and have agreed to submit it in the format presented. We thank you for accepting our manuscript for publication in BMC Medicine. Please let us know if you require any additional information. At the end of this letter is an itemized response to the questions contained in the last e-mail sent to myself.

Sincerely

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Response to Comments:
Queries:
References Section

1) Comment: ref. 42 - no page numbers supplied - is this a whole volume?

Response: Yes this is the whole volume of a well-studied battery of neuropsychological tests

2) Comment: ref. 75 - neither volume nor page number supplied

Response: At the time of the last submission, this article was published online ahead of print, so no page numbers were available. However, the article is now in print, so the page numbers have been included in the reference section

3) Comment: refs 77-78 - are these in the correct order (they'd been marked 2001a and 2001b, but of course a and b distinctions aren't used for BMC journals)?

Response: Yes the references appear in the correct order in both the reference section and in the body of the text.