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Title: A Meta-analysis of the effects of Exercise Training on Left Ventricular Remodeling Following Myocardial Infarction: Start early and go longer for greatest exercise benefits on remodelling

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Dear Dr. Altman:

We thank the Trials editors and reviewers for their positive responses to our manuscript. We have addressed the reviewers’ comments below and have made a minor change to the manuscript accordingly.

Also, we have revised the original title of "A Meta-analysis of the effects of Exercise Training on Left Ventricular Remodeling Following Myocardial Infarction: Start early and go longer for greatest exercise benefits on mortality" to:

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Response to reviewer #1:
1. We agree with the reviewer that the studies are of low to moderate quality and have added the following statement to the conclusion section. “There is a need for future high quality randomized controlled trials of exercise intervention early post myocardial infarction on LV remodeling”.
2. We thank the reviewer for pointing out inconsistencies in our reference style (#35 and on) and have used the appropriate reference style in this section.

Response to reviewer #2
This reviewer had no major/minor concerns.

Thank you for your continued interest in our manuscript, and please find attached the revised manuscript.
Drs. Haykowsky and Clark