Author's response to reviews

Title: Forefoot pathology in rheumatoid arthritis identified with ultrasound may not localise to areas of highest pressure: cohort observations at baseline and twelve months

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Dear Professor Menz,

Re: “Ultrasound definitions of forefoot pathology in rheumatoid arthritis are out of phase with high pressure areas: cohort observations at baseline and twelve months.”

We are delighted that you have accepted in principle our manuscript for publication in the Journal of Foot and Ankle Research. We have now read through the proof manuscript and made the alterations requested by the editorial production team as follows:

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Thank you, once again, for considering our manuscript and please do not hesitate to contact, should you require any further detail on this

Yours sincerely

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