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Dear Dr Muscoli,

We are pleased to submit once again the manuscript entitled: ‘Low triiodothyronine syndrome and selenium deficiency - undervalued players in advanced heart failure? Single center pilot study.’ (BCAR-D-18-00853R1) after minor revision requested by the second Reviewer and the Editor.

Please, kindly consider a revised version to be published in BMC Cardiovascular Disorders.
1. Following the Editor’s advice, the English spelling was corrected by a person who is fluent in English native speaker and with the use of the recommended English language tutorial and your Writing resources. We hope that now English is acceptable. If further refinement is required, please give us more precise instructions on what still should be corrected.

In addition, we have made a revision of the bibliography. However, in spite of very careful checking the citation in the PubMed database, some of the papers are not accepted by your system. Please, let us know what the reason of lack of validation is.

2. Responding to the comments of the first Reviewer we plan to continue and develop our research in the future.

3. Following the second Reviewer’s suggestion, we have added the statement ‘prospective cohort study’ (Methods section, line 107, page 5 of the current text version). Wording mistakes were previously corrected (Background section, line 79-80, page 3 of the current text version): ‘lack of TH (thyroid hormones)’; (Discussion section, line 258, page 10 of the current text version): ‘Kozdag et al’.

We hope, after the improvements the article is acceptable.

Sincerely,

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