Author’s response to reviews

Title: Effect of Pre-discharge cardiopulmonary fitness on Outcomes in Patients with ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction after percutaneous coronary intervention

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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for reviewing our manuscript (BCAR-D-19-00237) entitled: "Individualized exercise prescription in Phase I cardiac rehabilitation reduces incidence of cardiovascular events in patients with STEMI after PCI ". We carefully addressed the comments of the Editor. Please find attached our itemized replies.

Best wishes,
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1. Please add a “Conclusions” section after the “Discussion” section. This should state clearly the main conclusions of the research article and give a clear explanation of their importance and relevance.

Reply: we already add a “Conclusions” section after the “Discussion” section in our final version.

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