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**Reviewer:** Evangelos Giamarellos-Bourboulis

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The manuscript is much improved. However, the answer to my question on the lack of association between genotypes and FOXO1 levels was not satisfactory (also from the linguistic point-of-view). I suggest that this is added as a limitation in the Discussion.

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