Author’s response to reviews

Title: Birt-Hogg-Dubé Syndrome in two Chinese families with Mutations in the FLCN Gene

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Dear editor,

My revision are as follows according to the comments.

Xingnan Li, Ph.D. (Reviewer 1)

Major:

1. We have added the methods section in the abstract;

2. As for more than 200 mutations in FLCN and three most common mutations, they were mentioned in our manuscript according to a literature review. Because the genetic analysis
method of our study was whole exome sequencing, the two mutations were detected while all the other mutations were excluded in the meantime;

3. The family members involved in sequencing and sequencing methods have been added in the corresponding section. Interpretation of sequencing results was performed using SnapGene Software. The former description as statistical analysis method was inaccurate and we have amended it;

Minor:
1. Corresponding exon numbers have been labeled in the abstract;

2. The general title of figure 1-4 have been added at the end of the manuscript;

Anthony Falluel-Morel (Reviewer 2)

Major:
The methods section has been supplemented according to the comments;
Interpretation of sequencing results was performed using SnapGene Software. The former description as statistical analysis method was inaccurate and we have amended it;
The first sentence of methods section has been removed;

Minor:
All the minor revisions have been accomplished, and the second II9 mentioned by the reviewer was there to indicate the manifestation of II9.

Above all, we want to remind you that there are two co-first authors and two co-corresponding authors listed in the manuscript, we hope that you have noticed that.
Thank you very much for your careful revision.

Best wishes,

Hong Jiang