Author’s response to reviews

Title: Genetic Variants in CYP4F2 were Significantly Correlated with Susceptibility to Ischemic Stroke

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Dear Editors,

On behalf of my co-authors, we thank you very much for giving us an opportunity to revise our manuscript, we appreciate you very much for your formatting changes on our manuscript entitled “Genetic Variants in CYP4F2 were Significantly Correlated with Susceptibility to Ischemic Stroke” (ID: MGTC-D-19-00166R3). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and made correction. We hope meet with approval.

We have carefully read the editor’s critical suggestions and revised the manuscript point-by-point. Revised portion are marked using the track changes mode in the marked manuscript.

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Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. Our informed consents obtained from all subjects were written. We have revised the description in the line 247 in page 13 according to the editor’s suggestion.

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Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. We deleted the section named ‘Consent to publish’. And we have revised the description about the section ‘Consent for publication’ in the line 267-269 in page 14 according to the editor’s suggestion.

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Please remove the statement “TEL: 13891856062; Fax: 13891856062; Address: #157 Xiwu Road, Xincheng District, Xi’an 710004, China.” from the title page in your manuscript.

Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. We have removed the statement “TEL: 13891856062; Fax: 13891856062; Address: #157 Xiwu Road, Xincheng District, Xi’an 710004, China.” from the title page in page 1 in our manuscript.

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Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. We have concluded a ‘Declarations’heading which is placed after the Abbreviations section in our manuscript in the line 243 in page 13.

5. Role of funding bodies

Please note the role of the funding bodies in the design of the study and collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript and include this statement in the Funding section of the Declarations section of your manuscript.

Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. The funders had no role in the design of the study nor in the collection, analysis and interpretation of data or in writing the manuscript. And we have concluded the role of the funding bodies in our manuscript in the line 258-259 in page 13.

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Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize. All of the authors of this manuscript have read and approved the final manuscript. And we have included the statement “All authors read and approved the final manuscript.” in the Authors’ contributions section in the line 277 in page 14.

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Response: We thank the reviewer’s for scrutinize.

We appreciate for Editors warm work earnestly, the reviewer’s comments are quite helpful. We revised our paper point-by-point and grammatical problems. Finally, we hope that the correction will meet with approval. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and best regards!

Yours sincerely,

Ming Zhang.