Author’s response to reviews

Title: Association between thyroid-stimulating hormone and maternal hemodynamics in hypertensive disorders of pregnancy: An observational study

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Dear editor,

This was a revision for manuscript PRCH-D-19-00859R2, entitled ‘Association between thyroid-stimulating hormone and maternal hemodynamics in hypertensive disorders of pregnancy: An observational study’. Thank you very much for your comments and suggestions. We have carefully studied the comments and made corrections accordingly. The detailed responses are listed. We would like to re-submit this revised manuscript, and wish it is acceptable for publication in your journal.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Zhengfeng Xu
The detailed responses to the editor’s comments:

First of all, we thank the editor for the careful review and the positive and constructive comments and suggestions. The point-to-point responses to the comments were listed below.

Editor comments

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.

Response:

Thank you for your suggestion. We have added a “Conclusions” section after the “Discussion” section. The main conclusions of the study and the importance of the conclusion were stated.

2. Please ensure the corresponding author, and their email address, is the same on both the submission system and on the title page of your manuscript.

Response:

Thank you for your reminder. We have confirmed that the email addresses of the corresponding authors were the same on both the submission system and on the title page of the manuscript.

3. Please include a statement in your Funding section describing the role of the funding body in the design of the study, the collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript.

Response:

Thank you for your advice. We have added the role of the funding of the study in the Funding section. This study was supported by grants from the National Natural Science Foundation of China (No. 81571444). The funding was used for providing clinical examinations for patients enrolled. Nanjing Medical Science and Technology Development Foundation (No. YKK15163) was used for interpreting data and statistical analysis. The Project of Invigorating Health Care through Science, Technology and Education-the Jiangsu Provincial Medical Youth Talent was used for data collection and language editing service.
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Response:

Thank you for your reminder. We have corrected the “Consent for publication” section, which was “not applicable” to the declaration part of the manuscript.

5. Please include a statement in the Authors' contributions section to the effect that all authors have read and approved the manuscript, and ensure that this is the case.

Response:

Thank you for your advice. We have added this statement in the author’s contribution section.

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Response:

Thank you for your advice. We have changed the highlighted revision version into a clean revised version.