Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editor,

Once again, thank you for the valuable comments on our manuscript.

We have made a point-by-point list of all changes requested and hope that these improvements will make our paper suitable for publication in BMC Ophthalmology.

Yours sincerely,

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Response: Corrected.

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