Author’s response to reviews

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To: The Editor

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Dear Editor,

On behalf of my co-authors, we thank you very much for giving us an opportunity to revise our manuscript and we appreciate the editor’s and reviewer’s positive and constructive comments and suggestions on our manuscript entitled “Genetic and clinical characteristics of Chinese children with Glucokinase-Maturity Onset Diabetes Of The Young (GCK-MODY)”, manuscript number BPED-D-17-00212R1. We have made the requested amendments to the paper as detailed below.
Editor Comments:

1. Clean version:

Please submit a clean version of your manuscript, without any tracked changes or high-lighted text, as this may interfere with the production process.

Response: We will submit a clean version of our manuscript.

2. Language

To improve on your manuscript, we recommend proof-reading of your manuscript by someone who is proficient in the written English language.

Response: Dr GE Lash has helped to revise the manuscript’s grammar.

Reviewer reports:

Mark A. Magnuson (Reviewer 1):

- The authors have responded in an appropriate manner to my prior comments. Except for several areas where there weak usage of English, the manuscript has been significantly improved.

Response: Dr GE Lash has helped to amend the grammar of the manuscript and this response letter to the editor.

- I only have one minor suggestion for improvement prior to publication. Specifically, I am confused by the sentence in the Methods section (line 171) referring to 13 genes associated with MODY and other 31 monogenic diabetes genes. It is suggested that the authors change this to "44 genes", and then list the genes. This reviewer considers the terms "MODY genes" and "monogenic diabetes genes" to be overlapping.

Response: We have revised this sentence in the Methods section (page 8, line 168) according to the reviewer’s advice.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Liu & on behalf of all authors