Author’s response to reviews

Title: Association of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity with neck circumference in eight Latin American countries

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Dear Natalie Pafitis and Eva Szunyogova,

Editors-in-Chief of BMC Public Health
First of all, we are grateful regarding our paper submitted to BMC Public Health by the care and attention given to the manuscript "Association of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity with neck circumference in eight Latin American countries". Our response about comments are bellow.

Editor comments:

Thank you for submitting your revised manuscript. However, we note that the current submission contains some textual overlap with other previously published works. Please rephrase the sections shown by the attached screenshots. Please be informed that we cannot proceed with handling your manuscript before this issue is resolved, and the sections of text in question have been reformulated.

1.

RESPONSE: Thank you for your attention. We have changed it. The accelerometer was worn around their waist on a belt for 7 consecutive days and the participants were instructed to wear the instrument.

2.

RESPONSE: Thank you for your attention. We have excluded this part because has similar information in the previous paragraph.

3.

RESPONSE: Thank you for your attention. We have changed it. More than 20% of population from LA, including youth are overweight or obese, and the indices has increased to a greater scale specifically in Mexico, Argentina, and Chile.

4.

RESPONSE: Thank you for your attention. We have changed it. The results shows the variety and diversity of countries from LA, and, thus, the need to better understand these realities for to expand healthy eating habits in LA.
RESPONSE: Thank you for your attention. We have changed it. NC is a simple and valid measure of fat mass, more practicable and may have better association with triglycerides, HOMA, HDL-C than BMI and WC.

Looking forward to your response,

Yours sincerely,

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