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Comment 1.) Page 8, Line 200: What means ?T??
Response:
T has been changed to testosterone.

Comment 2.) Page 10, Line 236-261: In the revised version, this chapter was moved to the end of the discussion. However the text (?Although, a few...?) in lines 236-237 makes no sense.
Response:
Thank you for this much appreciated remark. The text has been changed as follows:
“The role of decreased protein clearance as a potential cause of age-related OPG elevation has been considered in a few previous studies [15,17,19].”

Comment 3.) References 28 and 29 are still identical with references 4 and 4. Please remove
Response:
References 28 and 29 have been removed. The numbering has been updated.

Additional comment: The conclusion is copy and pasted from the abstract. Please rewrite!
Response:
The conclusion has been rewritten as follows:
“The present study demonstrated that in addition to age, the stronger predictor, other adjustable factors such as cystatin C, FTI and E2 were also significant predictors of OPG. Furthermore, the association between cystatin C and OPG was more evident with increased age. In conclusion, cystatin C is a significant predictor of OPG independently of age, FTI and E2.”