Author’s response to reviews

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Dear Editors,

Thank you very much for reviewing this manuscript once again.

As proposed by the reviewer we made the following corrections:

1. Please revise the Ethics approval and consent to participate section of the Declarations, we recommend the following format: “This study was approved by the ethics committee of [xxx] Hospital [or University].” In this section please also specify the type of consent obtained, whether it was written or verbal, from all the patients included in this study. If verbal consent was obtained instead of written, please include the reasons and whether the ethics committee approved this procedure.
After formal approval by the local ethic committee we changed the Declaration on page 14 which read now:

Ethics approval and consent to participate

This study was approved by the ethics committee of the Medical Faculty, University of Munich. Written consent was obtained from all the patients included in this study.

2. Thank you for including all the email addresses on the title page, however we have noticed that the email address provided in the manuscript for Andrea Baur-Melnyk differs to the email address in the submission system. Please ensure all email addresses in the manuscript and the submission system match.

Please also ensure to represent authors' names using their full initials, not their full name, in the Authors’ Contributions section.

We changed the email address for Prof. Baur-Melnyk in the manuscript.

3. We would also like to ask for you to provide more justification for the contributions of Laura Wirth, as currently they do not automatically qualify for authorship. Contribution to contacting patients and acquiring their data, alone, does not usually justify authorship.

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Thank you very much for the patience with this Manuscript revision!

For the authors,

Sincerely yours,

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