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The authors have made great strides to answer the reviewers concerns. I read through these changes and the manuscript carefully. The manuscript has been strengthened considerably by their multiple changes/revisions.

However, a few more very minor changes are needed.

The abbreviations list needs to be alphabetized. The authors would then see that FGF2 has been left out.

The supplemental tables 1 and 3 are nice additions, but the cytokine abbreviations need to be added, as this was asked for by the reviewers of the first version.

These are quite minor and should not take long to complete.

Dear Dr. Barbe,
Thank you very for the comments regarding our revised manuscript and sorry that we missed adding the abbreviations to the supplementary data. As requested, we have gone through the main body of the text and added a couple more abbreviations we failed to identify and modified the list so it was alphabetized. We have added individual abbreviation footers to figure 1, table 1 & 3 in the supplementary data.

We thank you for the opportunity to revise our MS for BMC MSK.

Thank you and all the best

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