Author’s response to reviews

Title: Role of Calcifying Nanoparticles in the Development of Testicular Microlithiasis in Vivo

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Dear editor,

Thank you for the comments on our manuscript. We have carefully prepared a revised manuscript to address all the questions raised by yours, and hope that our replies and new revision are satisfactory to you and the referees, and that the manuscript is now acceptable for publication in BMC Urology.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Best regards.

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Editorial Comments:

1) iThenticate:

There remains significant overlap of text with previously published works. As mentioned previously, a degree of overlap in the technical aspects of the Methods can be allowable, but any overlap of text in the Background, Results, Discussion or Conclusion must be removed. Please refer to the attached iThenticate document and rephrase these sections in your own words to ensure no overlap.

Answers:

Thank you for your careful work. According to your comment, we rewrote these sections in our own words.

2) Declaration section:

* Ethics approval and consent to participate:

Thank you for your previous amendments and clarifications. Please include the reference number for the approval of the human studies given by the ethics committee. We would also suggest amending the wording slightly, so that the statement reads as follows:

‘All experiments were conducted following the National Institutes of Health guidelines for housing and care of laboratory animals and performed in compliance with institutional regulations after pertinent review and approval by the Animal Studies Committee at the Third Military Medical University. Informed consent was obtained from all participants and human studies were approved by The Ethics Committee of the Third Affiliated Hospital of Third Military Medical University [insert reference number here].’
Answers:

According to your comment, we have corrected the sentence and added the approval number (Declaration section, line 16-19, page 13).

3) Figure 2:

Please provide scale bars rather than an indication of magnification.

Answers:

Thank you for your comment. We have removed the magnification and provided scale bars in Figure 2.

4) Other:

Please proofread the text again to amend occasional errors.

Answers:

Thank you for your careful reading of our manuscript. We are sorry for this language mistake. We have carefully corrected these sentence throughout the manuscript according to your comment. Furthermore, we have had the manuscript polished with a professional assistance in writing.